

**BOARD OF FINANCE
REGULAR MEETING – December 13, 2022
HELD ELECTRONICALLY**

PRESENT: Michael Kaelin, Stewart Koenigsberg, Matthew Raimondi, Richard Santosky,

ABSENT: Sandra Arkell, Chris Stroup

Others Present: BOE Superintendent Dr. Kevin Smith, BOE Chair Ruth DeLuca, CFO Dawn Norton

Call to Order

Chairman Michael Kaelin called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of November 15, 2022

Mr. Raimondi made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of November 15, 2022. Motion seconded by Mr. Santosky and carried 4-0.

Update BOE Budget - Dr. Kevin Smith-BOE Superintendent

Mr. Kaelin complimented Superintendent Dr. Kevin Smith, the entire district, all teachers and staff, on Wilton receiving ranking of #1 as the highest-scoring district in the state in the State's 2021-2022 Next Generation Accountability System.

Dr. Kevin Smith provided an update to the BOF on the school district's FY2024 budget with BOE Chair Ruth DeLuca providing input. Discussion on teachers' contract (one of the primary drivers of the budget), enrollment, staffing needs and other drivers of the budget. Dr. Smith thanked Chris Stroup and Mr. Koenigsberg for their participation in the teachers' negotiations. After review with Dr. Smith and Ms. DeLuca, question/comment session with the BOF. Suggestions made for board to do a tour of the BOE facilities.

2023 BOF Meeting Dates

Mr. Kaelin reviewed the 2023 BOF Meeting Dates with the Board. Discussion on moving the February 14, 2022 date to February 21st and changing the timing of the meeting from 7:00pm to 7:30pm start. After discussion, motion moved by Mr. Raimondi to approve the meeting dates and time as discussed. Motion seconded by Mr. Koenigsberg and carried 4-0.

Committee Reports

Pension Committee Meeting: Mr. Koenigsberg stated that a Pension Committee Meeting took place on December 5, 2022 with the committee looking at approved assumptions to be utilized for the calculation of the liability with a review of those assumptions by the town's external advisors.

BOE Contract Negotiations: Mr. Koenigsberg further reported on the contract negotiations that he and Mr. Stroup participated in on behalf of the BOF.

Public Comment

None.

Mr. Kaelin noted that the BOF will continue the discussion on the internal rules of governance at next meeting and is open to discussion who should be serving as Chair of BOF.

Having no further business, the board voted to adjourn meeting at 8:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Jacqueline Rochester
(from video recording)

**Minutes have not been reviewed by this Board and may be subject to revision in future minutes.*