

**BROOKLINE SCHOOL BOARD
JUNE 30, 2021
PUBLIC HEARING
MEETING MINUTES**

A Public Hearing was conducted by the Brookline School Board on Wednesday, June 30, 2021, at 6:18 p.m. at the Captain Samuel Douglass Academy.

Kenneth Haag, Chairman, presided:

Members of the Board Present: Erin Sarris, Vice Chairman
Karen Jew, Secretary
Alison Marsano

APPROVED
8/2/21

Members of the Board Absent: Rebecca Howie

Also in Attendance: Gina Bergskaug, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction

**PUBLIC HEARING
SCHOOL BUILDING MAINTENANCE
EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND**

In accordance with RSA 198:20-c, Assistant Superintendent Bergskaug provided an explanation of proposed expenditure(s) from the Brookline Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund.

Principals Molinari and Bouley identified several needed repairs/improvements for their respective buildings during the budget process. At the FY22 Budget Hearing, the Brookline School Board recommended that the funding source for these particular items be the Brookline Maintenance Expendable Trust. The voters approved the Board's recommendation during the 2021 voting session. Therefore, this is the official request to use the Expendable Trust for the following expenses:

FY22 Requested Items/Estimated Cost

RMMS	Classroom Flooring	\$22,723
	HVAC Controller Replacement	22,178
	Exterior Door Ramps	<u>8,000</u>
	Total	\$52,901

Current Balance:	\$69,966
To be added in FY22:	75,000
FY22 Expenditures:	<u>52,901</u>
Resulting Balance	\$92,065

Assistant Superintendent Bergskaug spoke of the ongoing facility study and the request for the HVAC controller replacement. With the allocation of funds, the district could choose to either move forward with the needed replacement or postpone until a decision is reached on a bond or lease proposal. With the allocation of funds, should a bond/lease proposal be pursued and unsuccessful, funding would be in place to address the needed replacement following the annual meeting.

The resulting balance of \$92,065 is slightly higher than what is typically retained and is partially due to savings achieved.

There is the option (FY23 budget) of allocating a smaller amount to the fund. Another option would be to utilize some of the fund towards reducing the amount of a lease/bond.

Chairman Haag opened the floor for public testimony.

TESTIMONY IN FAVOR - None

TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION - None

TESTIMONY IN FAVOR - None

TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION - None

Brookline Special Education Expendable Trust

There is no request at this time for use of the Special Education Expendable Trust.

Current Balance:	\$200,163	
To be added in FY22:	25,000	
FY22 Expenditures	<u>0</u>	There is anticipated use in FY22, but amount is unknown at this time.
Resulting Balance:	\$225,163	

MOTION BY MEMBER HAAG TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING

MOTION SECONDED BY MEMBER MARSANO

MOTION CARRIED

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The Public Hearing was declared closed at 6:23 p.m.

Date _____ Signed _____