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SPECIAL MEETING – FINANCE, FACILITIES AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE
Litchfield Board of Education
Tuesday, February 20, 2013, LHS Library/Media Center 6:30 p.m.

A special meeting of the Litchfield Board of Education Finance, Facilities and Technology Committee was held on Wednesday, February 20, 2013 at 6:05 p.m. in the LHS Library/Media Center.

Members Present: Mr. Bongiorno (co-chair), Mr. Shuhi (co-chair), Ms. Fabbri and Mr. Falcetti.
Also Present: Dr. Wheeler, Mr. Lathrop, Mr. Zaremski, Ms. Della Volpe, Ms. Turner, Mr. Waugh, Ms. Rosser, Ms. Murphy, Mr. Katzin, Mr. Simone, and Ms. Carr.

2013-2014 Budget Development

Recommended budget adjustments: propane, dental and medical insurance, reduction of public tuition, and computer rotation costs.

Technology – devices: 312 students, 48 spares, 28 teacher laptops, discussed laptop failure rates, perhaps get 25 spares, have some devices for students and staff, LHS has 315 students.

Kindergarten – 41 students registered, anticipate 12 more.

Library – discussed purchase of library books, circulation reports reviewed, non-fiction books are a focus with Common Core, have a relationship with O.W. Library.

Dues and Fees – 25% cut, fees for elementary schools have been removed for NEASC.

Transportation Costs – for outplacements and tuition students requested.

Postage – possibly cut some of these costs by using email when possible.

Security - \$20,000 in budget

Student Activity – large increase over three years

Custodial Phones – in ERate grant fund.

French – a gradual reduction at L.H.S., discussed program at L.I.S.

MOTION made by Mr. Falcetti and seconded by Ms. Fabbri: to adjourn the meeting at 6:58 p.m.

MOTION carried. All votes were in the affirmative. There were no abstentions.

Respectfully Submitted
Donald R. Falcetti
Board of Education