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DATE: April 23, 2021
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**Warrant Committee Education Subcommittee
March 29, 2021 7:30 PM
Remote Meeting via Zoom**

Meeting Minutes

Members in Attendance

Anne Helgen, Geoff Lubien, Paul Rickter, Jack Weis

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:40 PM.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes for the Ed Subcommittee meeting on January 26, 2021, and the joint Ed Subcommittee meetings with the School Committee Finance Subcommittee on February 2, 2021, February 9, 2021, and February 23, 2021, were reviewed and approved.

Discussion of FY 22 School Department Budget

The group revisited some of the discussion from the last meeting regarding full-day kindergarten, special education costs and revenue sources (LABBB credits, Circuit Breaker, and IDEA funds), and school bus transportation. New topics discussed included the change in the use of revolving funds versus the General Fund to cover program expenses, the projected FY 22 budget for substitutes, custodial staffing and costs, and the status of negotiations with the teacher's unions and the assumptions for non-union salary increases.

Jack will prepare a summary of the subcommittee's questions on the FY 22 School Department budget which he will distribute to the group by the morning of March 31st. The group will review that summary and get back to Jack with any feedback, particularly any questions that he missed, by the next day. Jack will then send a written summary of our questions to John Phelan and Tony DiCologero by the end of the week, as we had promised.

Next Meetings:

- April 8, 2021 at 7:30 PM to discuss the topics for our chapter of the Warrant Committee report to Town Meeting on the FY 22 budget.
- April 13, 2021 at 8:00 AM. Joint meeting with the School Committee Finance Subcommittee

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:39 PM.