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Winooski School Board of Trustees
Special Meeting
Wednesday, January 5, 2022, 6:30pm
Learning Media Center & Virtual Meeting
Zoom Webinar information: <https://wsdvt.zoom.us/j/84754701054>
Join by Phone: 1 301 715 8592

Attendance: Sean McMannon, Tori Cleiland, Matt Gile, Baudoin Mulolo, Catherine LaVigne, Alex Yin, Steven Berbeco, Allson Burlock, Kamal Dahal

AGENDA **6:30pm**

1. **Call to Order:** 6:30 pm

2. **Agenda Review and Adjustments:**

3. **Public Comments:**

*Matt Gile: I am the district librarian and WEA president and would like to share a statement. The WEA opposes the decision to cut two faculty positions for the FY 23 school year. We have great concern cutting faculty as we are currently struggling to staff the building. It has only been possible by the herculean efforts of our staff and administration who have all been going above and beyond. Maintaining our faculty levels is vital to providing a student-centered education that Winooski students deserve.

4. **FY23 Budget Work Session:**

a. Presentation and Discussion of FY23 Draft Budget

*Sean started the presentation and discussed that the budget presentation with the board will be public tomorrow. The budget increase has stayed pretty steady for the most part. Nicole started by talking about preliminary tax rate projections. There are no current Equalized Pupil numbers yet. Winooski has the 6th highest homestead tax rate in the state of Vermont; the 2nd highest for Ed Spending per Equalized Pupil for FY 22. For FY 23, the tax rate scenarios were shared based on the adjusted CLA and Weights. Sean outlined the two possible reductions of around

\$500K , one at 4.25% and one at 1.75% if additional reductions needed to be made. Nicole also discussed other available funds such as capital reserve and fund balance. Board members had the opportunity to ask questions and make comments.

*Motion to adjourn

*Motion passes, 5-0

5. Executive Session:

6. Adjourn: 7:19