

Islesboro Central School
2018-19 Budget Workshop
Ms. Kristen's Room, Islesboro Central School
March 6, 2018--4:00 p.m.

Minutes

1. Call to order and roll call: Board chair Laura Houle called the meeting to order at 4:20 p.m. Board members present: Laura Houle, John Gorham, Chloe Joule. Absent: Bill Kelly and Lars Nelson. Others in attendance: Heather Knight and Patrick Phillips.
2. Administration presents the draft budget for the 2018-19 school year: Patrick and Heather reviewed the documents that had been provided to the board for reviewing the administrative budget for the 2018-19 school year. Patrick highlighted the key budget facts contained on page 12 of the budget, including the operating budget total, the changes in revenues from the previous year, the proposed contributions to the reserve accounts, and the resulting impact on the taxpayers. Patrick and Heather also updated the board on recent developments, including the loss of our oldest bus, which will require its replacement in the coming months. Heather also noted a couple of proposed modifications to the printed budget, including reducing the amounts for computer hardware and increasing the amounts listed for staff travel. She also asked the board to consider increasing Judy Smith's daily time by one hour to support the breakfast program.
3. Discussion by the board of budget as presented by administration: John Gorham asked that the administration bring back information to the board meeting next week on what the implications would be to restore a full Instructional Technology position for the coming year, instead of taking another year to fully transition to this staffing plan. Heather and Patrick agreed to bring back a side-by-side comparison of what the administration is proposing compared to the board requested approach.
4. Public comments about the budget: None
5. Guidance to administration on modifications for the next budget workshop or board meeting: Other than the request above, the board was very supportive of the administrative budget, and asked Patrick to be certain to thank Sally McDonough for her excellent work on the budget so far.
6. Adjourn: The workshop was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Patrick R. Phillips, Superintendent of Schools