

**DANBURY BOARD OF EDUCATION
FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
NOVEMBER 16, 2015**

Present: Rich Jannelli, Rich Hawley

Absent: Gladys Cooper, David Metrena, Kathy Molinaro

Also Present: Michael Ferguson, Eileen Alberts, Joe Martino, Sal Pascarella

Mr. Jannelli called the meeting to order at 6:28 p.m.

The focus of the meeting is to be informative for what this year looks like. Dr. Pascarella explains several cost driving this year's budget challenges including:

- Special Ed growing
- Need for stronger interventionist program
- Enrollment infusion
- Different population of students with different needs at ACE
- Drop in out of district tuition at AIS
- NEASC in two years
- Hugh issue with State budget

Mr. Martino adds on to Dr. Pascarella's comments and explains other issues (transportation, insurance, contracts, middle schools, etc.). Says we are looking at about a \$3 million increase for basic day to day operations; closer to \$6 million if includes "wish list" items.

Discussion ensued over preliminary budget. Next Finance Committee Meeting to be in January right after the New Year.

Mr. Jannelli moved, seconded by Mr. Hawley, to adjourn the November 16, 2015 Finance Committee Meeting. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Michael Ferguson, Secretary