

**UPPER PERKIOMEN SCHOOL DISTRICT
FINANCE COMMITTEE
November 21, 2022**

The Finance Committee Meeting was held at the Upper Perkiomen Education Center with the following committee members attending: Melanie Cunningham (Chairperson), Keith McCarrick, and Judy Maginnis. Others in attendance were: Dr. Allyn Roche, Daniel Direso, Megan Moyer, Peg Pennepacker, and Jenn Malone.

6:00 Melanie Cunningham called meeting to order and October 17, 2022 Minutes approved.

Discussion:

2023-2024 Budget Timeline

Daniel Direso presented a Budget Timeline as a base schedule to keep on track and avoid additional meetings. May need to adjust the Salary & Benefit discussion to later in the process due to Teacher Negotiations are finalized.

Preliminary Budget/Opt-Out Resolution

Dan Direso reviewed the Opt-Out Resolution and the Referendum Exceptions. Historically we opt-out and do not qualify for any Referendum Exceptions. Due to this we do not go through the preliminary budget process. A preliminary budget is usually very conservative and it does not make a return on time since we opt-out. Melanie Cunningham asked about the process and said she will recommend to opt-out in the next Finance Committee Meeting in January 2023.

Transportation Software

Jenn Malone spoke to the committee about a new transportation software (Traversa). Safe Transport is sunsetting their software and Jenn has been shopping around for best options. Traversa is a web-based application with GPS devices and Parent App. Krise Transportation also uses this software. Looking at a quick turnaround with December Board Approval and April Rollover.

Upper Hanover Authority Tapping Fees

Mr. Kenwood has been in contact with The Upper Hanover Authority regarding the \$85K tapping fees associated with the MS Construction project. They are talking to their board to defer collection to 23-24. The Authority already waived \$25K tapping fees at Hereford Elementary from 1957, so we are going to owe this. \$85,392.00 is a one-time fee. Mel suggested we ask for a monthly payment plan.

Motion by Keith McCarrick seconded by Judy Maginnis. Melanie Cunningham adjourned the meeting at 6:47pm.