

**RSU 54/MSAD 54**

**Minutes of the  
Remote  
District Budget Public Hearing  
June 23, 2020, 7:00 PM**

The RSU 54/MSAD 54 Remote District Budget Public Hearing was held on June 23, 2020, at 7:00 pm, via Zoom.

**BOARD MEMBER ATTENDANCE BY ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT (824):**

Mark Bedard (Skow-53)  
Harold Bigelow (Skow-53)  
Sarah Bunker (Mercer-16)  
Maryellen Charles (Mercer-16)  
Derek Ellis (Skow-53)  
Haley Fleming (Norr-46)  
Jean Franklin (Canaan-43)  
Goff French (Smith-27)  
Theresa Howard (Corn-30)  
Christy Johnson (Smith-27)  
Michael Lambke (Skow-53)  
Desiree Libby (Norr-46)  
Peggy Lovejoy (Skow-53)  
Jennifer Poirier (Skow-53)  
Lynda Quinn (Skow-53)  
Dixie Ring (Canaan-43)  
Amy Rouse (Skow-53)  
Karen Smith (Skow-53)  
Todd Smith (Skow-53)

**ABSENT/EXCUSED (175)**

Jeannie Conley (Skow-53)  
Brandy Morgan (Norr-46)  
Gary Sinclair (Corn-30)  
Kathy Wilder (Norr-46)

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

a. Flag Salute Followed

2. Review of Proposed 2020-2021 School Budget

The Superintendent presented a review of the 2020-2021 proposed school budget.

The MSAD 54 Board of Directors is presenting a Local budget of **\$14,058,211** that shows a decrease of **(-\$182,073)** or **(-1.28%)** in overall Local Assessments for the 2020-2021 year.

**Question 1:** The Maine School Administrative District No. 54 school budget submitted in this Question 1 totals **\$36,666,248.00**. It includes locally raised funds in the amount of **\$14,058,211.00**, to be assessed in shares to member municipalities in accordance with the District’s cost sharing formula and state law. The locally raised amount exceeds the maximum state and local spending target by **\$1,085,521.30**. This budget includes these cost centers and amounts:

<b>Cost Center</b>	<b>Amount Appropriated</b>
Regular Instruction	\$ 12,721,739.00
Special Education	\$ 8,771,576.00
Career and Technical Education	\$ 1,760,345.00
Other Instruction	\$ 771,750.00
Student and Staff Support	\$ 2,753,946.00
System Administration	\$ 729,243.00
School Administration	\$ 1,683,861.00
Transportation and Buses	\$ 2,059,153.00
Facilities Maintenance	\$ 3,389,041.00
Debt Service and Other Commitments	\$ 1,925,594.00
All Other Expenditures	\$ 100,000.00
<b>Summary of Total Authorized School Budget Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$ 36,666,248.00</b>

**Question 2: Cost Center Transfers.** Requests that the School Board be authorized to transfer amounts exceeding 5% of the total appropriation for any cost center to another cost center or among other cost centers for the 2020-2021 fiscal year, provided that transfers shall not be permitted to increase the authorized total school budget.

**Question 3: District Adult Ed Program.** Requests that the District be authorized to appropriate **\$356,925.00** for adult education and raise **\$118,000.00** as the local share, with authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and for the well-being of the adult education program.

3. Remote Public Participation and receipt of Public Comment on the Proposed 2020-2021 School Budget Questions 1-3

Remote Public Participation for questions and comments on the proposed 2020-2021 School Budget opened.

There were no questions or comments from the public.

4. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:14 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Brent H. Colbry, Superintendent of Schools