

# GARDNER PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Elm Street School  
160 Elm Street, Gardner, MA 01440  
Finance Sub-Committee Meeting  
Thursday, September 7, 2023 at 6:00pm

## Minutes

Members Present: Mrs. Pelavin, Mr. Swartz. Mr. LaFreniere

Members Absent:

Others Present: Mr. Mark Hawke, Director of Finance & Operations, Dr. Mark Pelligrino,  
Superintendent

Mr. LaFreniere called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

A motion was made by Mrs. Pelavin and seconded by Mr. Swartz to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2023 Finance Subcommittee meeting. So voted.

### **Expense Report Review:**

The Committee reviewed the Expense Report. Ms. Pelavin raised a question regarding the salary lines being in the negative and transfers being made. Mr. Hawke explained that from when we created the budget in February to now, many people have come and gone, salaries are different and a few positions have changed. It's just the start of the year, but no problems are foreseen budget wise.

### **Projects Update:**

None

### **Gifts & Donations:**

The GHS Class of 1970 donated two (2) benches for GES. Motion to approve by Mr. Swartz and seconded by Mrs. Pelavin. So voted.

### **New Business:**

So far the opening of school has come with only minor bumps in the road. By all accounts busing is going well. The new Food Service Management Company is doing well. The traffic patterns at all the schools seem to be working. These statements were followed by many in attendance knocking on wood.

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.