

**RSU 54/MSAD 54**  
**Educational Policy/Program Committee**  
**MINUTES**  
**MARCH 7, 2017**

**Attending:** Karyn Curran – Chair, Amy Rouse – Vice Chair, Jane Arthur, Maryellen Charles, Jeannie Conley, Tim Downing, Goff French, Peggy Lovejoy and Brandy Morgan

**Also Attending:** Kathleen Harvey, Jean Pillsbury, Barry Sites, Monique Poulin, David Dorr, Zachary Longyear, Steve Swindells, Anita Hopkins, Terry Atwood, Brent Colbry and Jon Moody

**Union Representatives:** Patty Moody, Eileen Crowley and Jeremy Lehan

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The Superintendent reviewed the individual budget for Instruction K-12, SCTC, Student Activities, Guidance, Library and School Administration. This was followed by a summary of how this effects the overall budget.

The Superintendent presented the first draft of a Status Quo Budget. The total was \$34,796,642 or an increase of \$821,848 in expenditures and an \$878,779 loss in State Aid, thus creating a \$1,700,627 gap in funding.

The Committee discussed possible strategies to reduce the overall budget and limit the increase on taxpayers.

The Superintendent reviewed the numerous changes to the EPS funding formula that has negatively impacted MSAD 54's State subsidy.

The Committee will meet again on March 21, 2017.