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SUPPORT SERVICES COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Thursday March 23, 2023 at 6:00 pm

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Members Present: Jean Franklin Chair; Mark Bedard Vice Chair; Alicia Boulette; Janet Burrill; Bruce Hurley; Desiree Libby; Cheyenne Goodrich; Sara Smith; Julian Payne **Also Present:** Lynda Quinn; Jon Moody; David Leavitt

1. Negotiations Update

A tentative agreement has been reached with the Support Staff union. Very few language changes were made, and a reasonable wage package was approved that should keep district wages competitive regionally.

2. New School Progress

All permitting is now in place with the final permits from DEP and the State's Fire Marshall coming in this week. The 100% complete bid package will be submitted to the DOE on Friday. Mr. Moody will present before the DOE construction committee later this month and pending their approval will go before the State Board of Education for final funding approval on April 12th.

3. **Budget Review**

The first presentation of the Support Services draft budget was presented. It includes price increases for energy, liability insurance and negotiation salary and benefit increases. The FY24 Draft Status Quo budget does not include workers' comp insurance or health insurance as neither of these items are known at this point. The district anticipates having health insurance by early April.

Also discussed was the early dismissal of Canaan Elementary school on April 14th at 11:30 a.m. to allow the contractor additional time for the construction project.