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Finance Committee Meeting Tuesday, December 8, 2015 Central Office

MINUTES

Committee Members: Erik Amundsen (arrived at 5:03 p.m.), Sara Andrews, Cheryl Cichowski, Lynda Letteney (arrived at 5:07 p.m.), Errol Silvestri, Tara Wellman, Dennis

Wooster

Ex-Officio Member: Danny Jackson **Administration**: Karla Miller, Steve Nolan

- I. Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m.by Chair Dennis Wooster
 - A. Declaration of Quorum: 6 of 8
 - B. Note Absentees: N/A
 - C. Approve the November 10, 2015 minutes: Upon a motion by Cheryl Cichowski and second by Sara Andrews, the committee voted to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2015 meeting. Vote: 5 0 1

II. Sign Warrants

A. The warrants were signed with no questions.

III. Financial Report

A. The committee reviewed the financials, discussing MaineCare and the QCEB Credit we will be receiving from the IRS.

IV. Other

- A. Expenditure target/impact on taxpayers
 - i. Conversation continued on the budget expenditure target and the impact that the target would have on taxpayers; should it be changed to "targeted impact on taxpayers vs expenditure target"?
 - ii. If group believes targeted impact on taxpayers makes more sense, we will work on language and bring back to the Committee

B. Fund balance

i. Discussion was held on the fund balances that are in the negative (General Fund, Adult Education, Title I, Tile IIA, Local Entitlement, Food Service), summer salary accruals, GAAP vs Budgetary, and Balance Forward.

C. Bonding and borrowing

- i. Steve led a discussion around borrowing funds for furniture and equipment, as well as maintenance projects
- ii. What is our outstanding debt? Karla will bring the information to the next meeting.

V. The committee adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

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