



# The Town of Barnstable

## Comprehensive Financial Advisory Committee (CFAC)

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### CFAC Committee:

#### Chair:

Laura Cronin

#### Members:

Robert Ciolek  
Ralph Krau  
Henry McClean  
Jacqueline Michelove  
Gregory Plunkett  
Lillian Woo

#### Staff Liaison:

Mark Milne

#### Councilor Liaison:

John T. Norman

### CFAC MEETING MINUTES

4.14.14

7:00 PM

#### Growth Management Conference Room

CFAC Members Present: Gregory Plunkett, Lillian Woo, Laura Cronin, Robert Ciolek, Ralph Krau, Henry McClean

CFAC Members Absent: Jacqueline Michelove

Councilors Present: John Norman

Staff Present: Mark Milne - Finance Director, Dr. Mary Czajkowski - Superintendent, Gareth Markwell - Deputy Director of Finance, Deb Childs - Finance/Budget Analyst

#### 1. Call to Order

Laura Cronin called the CFAC meeting to order at 7:00 PM in the Growth Management Conference Room of Town Hall.

#### 2. Act on Minutes

No action.

#### 3. Communication From Committee Members

None

#### 4. Communication From Councilors and Staff

None

#### 5. New Business

##### FY15 Operating School Budget

The committee heard a presentation from Superintendent of Barnstable Public Schools - Dr. Mary Czajkowski i. Dr. Czajkowski reviewed the proposed FY15 Operating Budget for the schools. The presentation was thorough and was followed by a series of questions from CFAC members. Questions were posed with respect to state guidelines on recommend class size, kindergarten enrollment projections, Ipad 1:1 initiative for 7<sup>th</sup> graders, special education programs and costs, bullying , enrollment and graduation rates. Dr. Czajkowski was direct and informative with respect to the questions asked.

Ralph K. asked about the progress on addressing bullying?

Dr. Czajkowski replied that the Connect to Respect Program at the Barnstable Intermediate School was doing well. She commented that they continue to try to address issues in a timely manner.

Bob C. inquired about the results of the prior year's marketing initiatives to retain and attract students to Barnstable Public Schools.

Dr. Czajkowski replied that the program was successful in stopping the loss of students. She did indicated they see changes occurring at transition points between schools i.e. moving from elementary to 4/5, 4/5 to the intermediate school and intermediate school to the high school. The change in school size at these transitions is one factor.

Henry M. inquired about the trends in K-12 graduation rates.

Dr. Czajkowski will forward that information.

##### 375<sup>th</sup> Anniversay

Councilor Norman presented the committee members with commemorative pins.

## Committee Re- appointments

Mark Milne reminded Ralph Krau, Bob Ciolek, and Jaqueline Michelove that they are up for reappointment. They will need to sign and submit re-appointment papers.

## 6. Discussion

The committee thanked Councilor Norman for attending the meeting . There was some general discussion on potential projects on which the CFAC committee could lend assistance to the Town Council.

The meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Next Meeting: CFAC will next meet on Monday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2014 @ 7 p.m. at the Growth Management Conference Room, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Town Hall.