

Hooksett School Board

Chair's Report
October, 2022



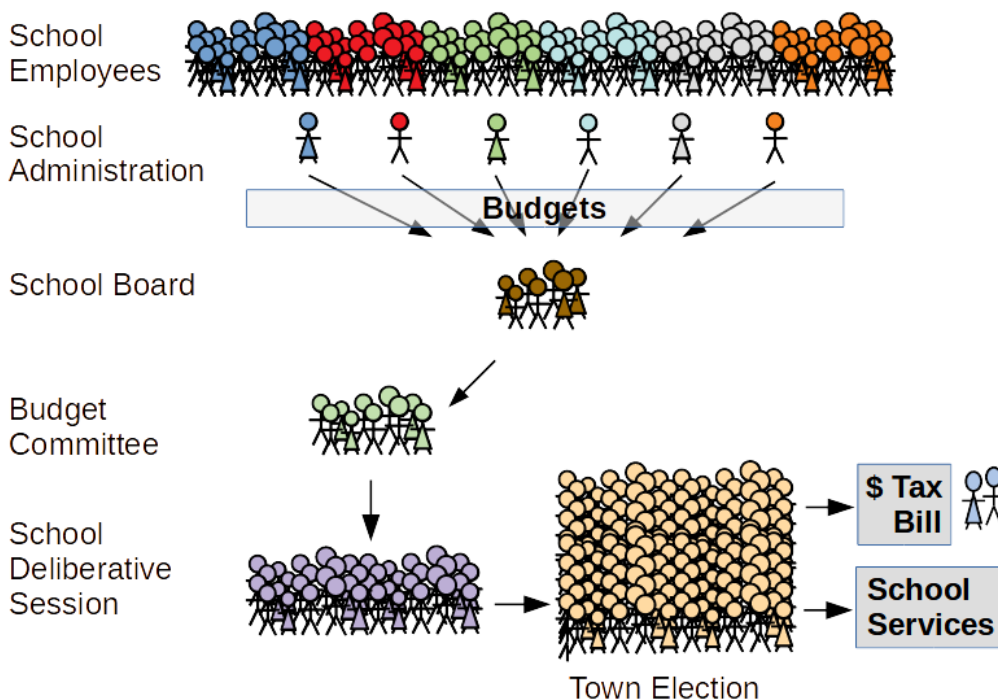
'Tis Budgeting Season

The 2022-23 school year is less than two months underway, yet it is already time to prepare budgets for the following school year. Given that Hooksett is a "SB2" town with a Budget Committee, NH state law, notably RSAs 40 and 32, defines a workflow for how budgets are created, reviewed, amended, and presented to voters for their consideration.

A visual depiction of our budget process may be helpful. The process is similar for town government (police, fire, public works, etc.) and our municipal water and wastewater governing bodies.

Hooksett School District Budget Process

Oct, 2022 by Wayne Goertel



Hooksett School District staff and administrators will have prepared a budget for consideration by the Hooksett School Board on October 18 and 25. These School Board meetings are public meetings also broadcast on YouTube (livestream or viewable later) with supporting materials published to our website. The Board has invited the Hooksett Budget Committee to attend these presentations.

The Budget Committee will review and amend the School Board's budget on several Thursday nights in November and December, with the School Board represented by Budget Committee liaisons Jillian Godbout or Alexis Quinlan. Two meetings will include school administration and additional Board Members. These meetings are public, and broadcast via hooksett.org (livestream or viewable later). The Budget Committee will then hold public hearings for the budgets under their purview in January.

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Deliberative sessions are the final opportunity to discuss and amend budgets before the town election in March.

In summary, what do we anticipate needing to provide school services to our community next year? These facilities and services must be in compliance with state and federal law, Hooksett School District mission and policies, provide exceptional opportunities for our students, and be implemented with cost efficiencies and constraints that respect taxpayers and their finite resources.

We'll look forward to receiving your input during the process.

Substitute Teaching, Redux

The Hooksett School Board recently increased the daily rates for substitute teachers to \$110 for certified teachers, and \$100 for non-certified teachers.

Substitute teaching can provide a rewarding way to contribute to our school community, and a flexible schedule. Please find employment opportunities at <https://hooksett.sau15.net/> under Our District >> Employment.

Sub-Committee Night

Hooksett School Board held concurrent sub-committee meetings on Tuesday, October 4, at 6:00p to discuss transportation, communication, and staff mentoring. Feedback on the process was positive. The Board plans to have several sub-committees meet again the first Tuesday of the month in subsequent months.

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<https://hooksettschoolboard.sau15.net>

<https://facebook.com/hooksett.school.board/>

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne Goertel
Hooksett School Board Chair

The mission of the Hooksett School District is to develop a community of learners who are intellectually curious, resourceful, and respectful of self and others. Academic achievement, through constantly improving standards, is the District's highest priority.