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Superintendent's Report for June 2019:

Updates on: (Superintendent goals are underlined)

Budget (ED 279): Hope budget has passed the town meeting with a \$26,775 reduction to the amount suggested for facility reserve, resulting in a 3% increase to local taxpayers. ALL budgets have passed at town meetings

<u>Utilization of Community Resources to support students and families:</u> Broadreach has not been funded and they supported Community Partnerships

Protecting Children that was an umbrella organization for community programs

Better feedback for teachers on their instruction: I was able to observe all probationary teachers moving up to 2nd, 3rd and continuing contracts. We're very fortunate!

Legislative Issues and involvement at state and national level to voice and address issues for small rural school districts: 5/16 Facilitated Mid-Coast Superintendents' Regional meeting with Morgan Dunton from DOE; Update on \$40,000 minimum pay (now \$35,000 in year 2020-2021, \$37,500 in 2021-2022 and \$40,000 the following year. The revenue sharing proposal is to move from the current 2% of state sales and income tax revenues to 3% in the 1st year, 3.75% in the 2nd.

<u>Cost sharing among schools and with outside districts:</u> SAD 40 has to give our payroll back for a few months due to one of their employees being out on medical leave.

Staffing: Our only current opening is for a first grade teacher in Hope. SPED issues: Conference call 5/23 with National group for Special Ed 2.0; Talked with Drummond Woodsum about special ed reserves and if they are accessed, the next year's subsidy will be reduced by that same amount that you use from the reserve

Policies: Policy JFLA Child Sexual Abuse Prevention and Response is being read for the 2nd time and Policy DC for credit card use is being read initially in Appleton.

Communication with stakeholders/visits: Worked with Nick DePatsy at LCS PE 5/10; Jeff Payson HES PE 5/22; Saw AVS Musical 5/22; Jimmy Blackman LCS 6/5; Coral Coombs LCS 6/6

Other: Last days of school: June 20 LCS, June 21 AVS and HES; Pre-K meeting 6/7