

**The Gilford School District
Federal Projects Sub-Committee Report
3:00pm, Monday, November 26, 2018
At The SAU office**

Fed. Projects & Spec. Ed. Members in Attendance: Steve Tucker, Fed. Projects administrator; Ester Kennedy, Special Education Administrator, Kirk Bietler, Superintendent; Scott Isabelle, Finance Admin.

Budget Committee Members in Attendance: Kristin Snow, Sue Green, Sean Murphy, Tim Sullivan, Peter Karagianis.

Steve Tucker gave the Sub-Committee an over view of the 2019/2020 budget on the Federal Projects. These grants are derived from Federal Tax dollars that are used to offset or enhance educational costs within the Gilford School District.

Title I Grant: is to assist disadvantaged students (Achievement based on the lowest 20% of students) in the areas of one on one or small group support, within the classroom with Math, Reading, and Language Arts. 2019/2020 year will have 1 less teacher in this area. As the amount of \$157,768 to be received from the Feds. is down \$8,897 from 2018/2019 school year. The primary driver in the dollar amount reduction is that the qualifications are derived from Free & Reduced Lunch which is down in Gilford this past year.

Title II Grant: is for Professional Development for teachers and principals in order to improve education quality. At the Gilford local level the school district has the discretion as to where these dollars are spent. This coming year the funds will used for K thru 8 Math coaching for teachers, and Science teacher education in the High School. The Federal Tax dollars to be received is the same as last year, at \$50,687.

IDEA Grant: Supports special needs students in the regular education programs. Services include Speech, psychological, occupational therapy, and physical therapy. These funds are used for 1, Behavioral Specialist, 2, 1/2 time Guidance Teachers, and 1, 1/2 time Special Education teacher. The Federal dollars for the IDEA Grant have been reduced by \$425. The amount of 2019/2020 IDEA Grant is \$244,216.

Pre-School Grant: Provides speech, language, and placement services for children age 3 to Kindergarten. The Federal dollars to be received is \$2,936.

Title IV Grant: is a new grant from the Federal Government this coming year. This grant is to further enhance our already in place education associated with having all students graduate with an improved use of technology. The Title IV Grant is for \$10,000 and is above what the Gilford School District already spends to get our students ready to excel in the use of technology.

The total Federal Projects budget has an overall increase in spending of \$725 YOY. The total Federal Projects budget in 2019/2020 is for \$465,627. The sub-committee made no changes and voted 5 to 0 in favor of the Federal Projects budget.



Respectfully Submitted:

S. Peter Karagianis - Gilford Budget Committee