

Finance Committee Minutes
Wednesday, May 11, 2011
6:00 P.M.
Park Campus

Board members participating:
Shannon Smigielski
Michael Carbone
Ray Millington

Meeting called to order at 6:30 P.M.

Committee Make-Up:

Superintendent Correll noted that the Finance Committee was posted because there were three board members in attendance. Recently, Colleen Wade stepped down from her position upon becoming a board member. This is a superintendent's committee. This will be discussed at the next board meeting.

Four-Day Summer Workweek:

In an effort to conserve energy and save money, summer school will meet four days per week. An attempt was made to have staff work four days, but continued discussion is warranted with the union.

Activities Update:

An extended discussion occurred regarding activities cost. It was agreed that cost must be considered when building the budget.

Grants:

Currently, several people are working on the issue of grants. Superintendent Correll met with Nicasa, while Sue Facklam met with SEDOL staff. Grants continue to be an avenue to pursue.

Bussing Update:

Superintendent Correll noted that negotiations with the bus company netted a \$190,000 savings for the 2011-2012 school year. A walking path to Meadowview was discussed. However, board members agreed not to move forward at this time, because there is no one available to plow the path during the winter, which would result in safety concerns.

Registration/Donations:

The district has been advised not to add “donations” to the registration form. However, we could have separate forms for donations in the following areas: library, field trips, and physical education equipment. The D46 Foundation may also be able to assist regarding this matter.

Preferred Foods Contract Update:

The contract calls for a 1.3% increase. The CPI for “food” was indentified at 1.9% in March. Further discussion of this topic will take place at the next board meeting.

IKON Update:

District representatives continue to meet with IKON to secure additional savings for the district. Michael Carbone and Sue Facklam attend these meetings. The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 20, 2011 at 10:00 A.M. at the District Office.

P-Card Discussion:

Board member Carbone requested three years of P-Card bills for Superintendent Correll, Assistant Superintendent Barkley, and David Tylavsky. Discussion occurred regarding the checks and balances of using the cards. It was also suggested that the Board identify how the rebates should be used.

Future Agenda Items:

- Revenues
- Non-sustainable cuts from previous academic years
- Review of principals’ budgets