

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
525 SUNSET RIDGE ROAD
NORTHFIELD, ILLINOIS 60093
FINANCE & FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING
APRIL 13, 2021
5:30 p.m.**

MINUTES

ROLL CALL: (5:30) p.m.

Mr. Subeck called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and upon roll call, the following were present:

Present: Mr. Subeck, Mr. Welch, Ms. Alpert Knight

Absent: None

Also Present: Mrs. Detlefsen, Mr. Beerheide (By Phone), Mr. Dreher, Mrs. Kiedaisch, Dr. Sukenik, Mrs. Styczen, Dr. Stange. Mr. Hayes (arrival 6:07 p.m.)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

2.1 Finance/Facilities Committee Meeting – January 12, 2021

Ms. Alpert Knight moved to approve the minutes of the January 12, 2021 Finance/Facilities Committee meeting. Mr. Welch seconded the motion. All were in favor. The Motion was approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

OLD BUSINESS:

4.1 Discussion of Sunset Ridge School Landscaping

Mr. Beerheide reviewed a memo from Mr. Dreher regarding landscaping at Sunset Ridge School. Mr. Dreher noted that a private arborist reviewed the trees and recommended replacing some and continuing to try to save others. Further evaluation will take place in June.

4.2 Removal of Cubbies in 4/5 Classrooms

Mr. Subeck reviewed the request from 4th and 5th grade classroom teachers to remove the cubbies from the respective classrooms. Mr. Dreher noted an estimate cost of \$16,800 to remove the cubbies. The Committee did not recommend removing the cubbies at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

5.1 Benefits Committee - Foundation Level Update

Mr. Subeck reviewed the parameters of the Collective Bargaining Agreement that pertained to the Foundation Level. He also noted the positive current balance in the current reserve and Mr. Beerheide added that the positive balance is likely to increase in following years.

5.2 Five-Year Financial Projections

Mr. Beerheide reviewed the 5-year financial projections noting a conservative 1.5% CPI estimate for revenue moving forward as well as lower than historic interest earning. He also noted a projected CPI increase in expenses. Given these parameters, Mr. Beerheide reviewed projected capital improvements over the next 5-years. Given the unstable status of the economy, the Committee concurred with a conservative approach to budget in the near future.

5.3 GDI Services, Inc. FY 21-22 Contract Renewal

Mr. Beerheide recommended the renewal of the contract with GDI for custodial services for one year. He noted some challenges to procuring custodians. The committee supported the recommendation.

5.4 Proposed Lunch Price Increase

Mr. Beerheide recommended an increase in the price of the Blue Plate Special for lunch from \$3.75 to \$4.00 along with an increase in price to select A La Carte items. The committee supported the recommendation.

5.5 OrganicLife (Food Service) FY 21-22 Contract Renewal

Mr. Beerheide recommended the renewal of the contract with OrganicLife for food service for one year. Along with this recommendation included an increase hourly rate for food service workers. The committee supported the recommendation.

5.6 Milieu Landscaping FY 21-22 Contract Renewal

Mr. Beerheide recommended the renewal of the Sunset Ridge School landscaping contract with Milieu at the increased cost of CPI for one year. The committee supported the recommendation.

5.7 Long Range Capital Improvement Plan

Mr. Beerheide reviewed the list of potential capital improvement projects. Mr. Welch requested modifying the document to delineate what items are unassigned and the total cost of unassigned projects.

5.8 Overview of July through March Financial Investment Portfolio

Mr. Beerheide reviewed the year end financials noting savings in purchased services and stipends that were not active due to the pandemic. He also noted decreased revenue from food service and investments.

Mr. Subeck responded to a question regarding the diversification of the investment portfolio.

NEXT MEETING:

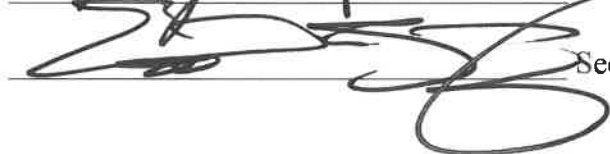
6.1 Next Meeting: July 13, 2021 – 5:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

It was moved by Mr. Welch and seconded by Ms. Alpert Knight to adjourn the meeting at 6:56 p.m. All were in favor.



Chairperson, Finance/Facilities Committee



Secretary, Board of Education

Approved 7/13, 2021