



Board of Education Finance Committee Meeting

Tuesday, February 21, 2012
District Administrative Offices

MINUTES

Present: Donna Cain, Lisa Lullo, Jeff Marczewski, Pam Sifuentes, Bruce Martin, Scott Helton, Tom Hubner, Jen Burns, Steve Humphrey and PMA representative

The meeting was called to order by Donna Cain at 6:45 p.m.

The attached agenda was distributed to those attending the meeting and is attached to these minutes.

Doreen from PMA presented the long range financial overview and the assumptions that went into the projections for the next five years. The district's financial picture is very stable at this time due to the cost containment program that has been in effect for the past three years, resulting in staff reductions and cost reductions in many areas of the budget.

The projections used a cash format, rather than the usual accrual basis used by the district auditors. PMA questions the use of the cash basis in the projections, but that format provides a clear picture that lines up with the district budget and documents filed with the state.

Mr. Martin distributed the FY 12 budget and provided an overview of how that budget was tracking along with projections for end of the year. Concerns for state revenues were expressed.

Mr. Martin indicated that the FY 13 budget information is now being developed for next year. The district has had a solid financial year to launch the FY 13 budget. The district is predicting no staff reductions for FY 13, and in fact may see a slight increase due to new alternative programming currently being planned.

He indicated that health benefits are increasing 8% to 10% based on projections from insurance specialists. The CPI is 1.5% for FY13; state aid is based on reimbursement of \$5920 per student, down from ISBE earlier plans. The property tax legislation that has been proposed could eventually impact suburban districts. Property values are down 8% across the region.

Mr. Martin presented the information on the 2011 Levy that will impact the FY 13 budget. CPI of 3% will drive that levy for part of the FY13 school year.

There were questions from those in attendance regarding the various agenda items. No recommendations were made by the committee for board consideration.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education

Attest: _____

Date