

ADMINISTRATIVE SCHOOL DISTRICT 47J
475 BRIDGE STREET
VERNONIA OR 97064

BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

May 10, 2012

- 1.0 CALL TO ORDER:** The Budget Committee meeting was called to order at 6:20 p.m.

MEETING CALLED TO
ORDER

Board present: Cari Levenseller, Ernie Smith, Greg Kintz, Bill Langmaid, and Tim Bamburg.

BOARD PRESENT

Absent: Jim Krahn and Camrin Eyrrick

Budget Committee Present: Gennifer Hanner, Deanna Pearl, Evan Stahlnecker, Tobie Finzel, Brett Costley arrived at 6:12 p.m.

Absent: Don Schulte

Staff present: Ken Cox, Superintendent; Nate Underwood, Middle/High School Principal; Aaron Miller, Elementary Schools Principal; James Brookins, Special Ed. Director; Dawn Plews, Business Manager; Barb Carr, Administrative Assistant; Juliet Safier, Licensed Staff; and Jan Dyer and Ronda Lennen, Classified Staff.

STAFF PRESENT

Visitors present: Carol Cox, Ryan Lawrence, Susan Ely, Bradley Ely, Rebecca McGaugh, Tammy Vanderzanden, Jocie Roberts, Jarrett White, David Kovelda and Steve Effros,

VISITORS PRESENT

2011-2012 Supplemental Budget Hearing: Dawn Plews explained that the budget law prohibits the District from spending over 10% in anyone of the budgeted accounts. The current year (2011-12) budget will end up spending more than 10% above what was budgeted in Transportation. The Food Service budget did not include an end of year transfer as this was not anticipated but needs to happen. There also is some housekeeping in the account numbers of the newly created Forestry Club. When the budget was created the actual accounts had not yet been created. This allows the money to be transferred into the correct account.

11-12 SUPPLEMENTAL
BUDGET DISCUSSED

The resolution before the committee does two things. It passes a supplemental budget as well as allows the district to move funds around between functions.

Tobie Finzel asked for clarification on the reasons for food service transfer? Dawn explained that the District did some staffing changes this year that they thought would take care of the need for an end of year transfer. Unfortunately this did not materialize as hoped.

The Budget Hearing was opened up for public comment. There was none.

HEARING OPENED FOR
PUBLIC COMMENT

2012-2013 Budget Committee Meeting. Introductions were made.

12-13 BUDGET COMM.
MEETING

2012-2013 Budget Committee Chair: The floor was opened for nominations for 2012-13 Budget Committee Chair. Cari Levenseller nominated Bill Langmaid. Ernie Smith seconded the motion. There were no other nominations and the nominations closed.

Motion passed unanimously with the exception of Bill Langmaid who abstained from the vote.

LANGMAID APPOINTED
2012-13 BUDGET
COMMITTEE CHAIR

2012-2013 Budget Committee Vice Chair: The floor was opened for nominations for 2012-13 Budget Committee Vice Chair. Cari Levenseller nominated Ernie Smith. Motion seconded by Tobie Finzel. There were no other nominations and the nominations closed. Motion passed unanimous with the exception of a no vote by Ernie Smith.

SMITH APPOINTED 2012-
13 BUDGET COMMITTEE
VICE CHAIR

Budget Goals: The committee discussed the current budget goals. Consensus of the committee was to retain the same goals.

BUDGET GOALS
DISCUSSED

Budget Message: Dr. Cox read out loud the budget message and discussed the budget assumptions.

BUDGET MESSAGE
DELIVERED

Budget Document Review:BUDGET DOCUMENT
REVIEWED

Dr. Cox explained the layout of the budget. The District, Elementary, Middle School, High School, and Special Funds are separated by colors.

- District – yellow
- Elementary – green
- Middle School – purple
- High School – blue
- Special Funds – salmon

The budget is required by Oregon law to show three years of history which can be found in the individual columns.

He went on to further explain that money is received from the state based on the District's Average Daily Membership (ADM). We receive a set amount for every student enrolled. However some students are considered to be weighted (ADMw) and receive more money based on being in a special program such as special education. The state has set a cap of 11% for special ed. This means that even though we currently have 92 students receiving special education services we only receive additional money for 63 of them.

The Chart of Accounts located at the back of the budget shows the account numbering system within the budget. One BAT meeting was held this year. Currently the District is in negotiations with the Vernonia Education Association (VEA). This will have an impact on the budget.

Brett Costley asked how the District determined the operational cost estimates when we'll be in a new building next year? Dr. Cox handed out the budget changes summary and explained that the electricity study shows to have a 45% savings in energy. They cut the electric bill by 38% to estimate. The natural gas was also reduced as an estimate.

Greg Kintz asked if the tuition issue has been resolved at Jewell? Dr. Cox hopes to get this sorted out in the next week or two.

Tobie Finzel asked about the FMA. This is the Flood Mitigation Assistance - FEMA buyout.

Brett Costley asked if the licensed staffing cuts have been designated yet. Dr. Cox explained that we have received one staff member resignation that will not be filled and one elementary position will be eliminated.

Evan Stahlnecker asked how the resignation at the high school will be worked out – other staff members will be filling in according to Dr. Cox.

Dr. Cox explained that any changes or suggestions from the budget committee need to come fairly quickly. Please get your questions to Dawn Plews or Dr. Cox before the next meeting to allow them time for research.

Next Budget Committee: The next budget committee meeting will be May 24, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. at the District Office.

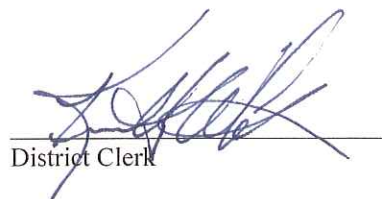
NEXT BUDGET
COMMITTEE MEETING

Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

ADJOURN

Submitted by Barb Carr, Administrative Assistant


Budget Committee Chair


District Clerk