



BUDGET COMMITTEE

Christy Perry, Superintendent

MINUTES

BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING

May 15, 2018

Start Time: 5:30 p.m.

End Time: 7:30 p.m.

Support Services Center, 2575 Commercial Street SE, Salem, Oregon 97302.

1. CALL TO ORDER

- a. Committee Attendance

All members were present except Jim Green.

2. QUESTION FOLLOW-UP

- a. Follow-up to Questions from May 8, 2018, Meeting

Superintendent Perry provided written review of questions from the May 8, 2018, meeting regarding College Credit Now and Willamette Promise, health assistants and drug and alcohol counselors, and CTEC funding from Measure 98. She noted there will be a strategic plan report on AVID at the June 12 board meeting.

3. SUPERINTENDENT'S 2018-19 PROPOSED BUDGET

- a. Outline of Potential Changes

Superintendent Perry reported on items we are tracking and considering as potential changes to the proposed budget. She updated the committee about the state school fund final May adjustment, tracking of ending/beginning fund balances, and noted we have had a spike in special education costs, for which we will bring a revision to proposed budget. Additionally, if the bond passes we will bring a proposed change to the budget that shows how we accept revenue and expenditures.

Superintendent Perry noted the priorities we are looking at for additions to the proposed budget include school-based health assistants, boost in licensed reserved FTE, counselors, final investment in math adoption, and investment in infrastructure.

- b. Clarifying Questions

Committee members asked clarifying questions regarding written responses from the May 8 meeting. District staff addressed those questions. Questions raised by committee members that would require significant staff time to address were brought before the committee for consensus as per committee protocol for such questions (refer to "Budget Committee Questions" handout from May 8, 2018 meeting). A consensus of six committee members is required to move a question forward.

- ~ Question #77 a, c, d, e, g, (and somewhat f) – current spending associated with recruitment and retention strategies: Consensus of 11 committee members to have staff research and address this question.
- ~ Question #76 – licensed staff scattergram: No consensus (four committee members voted yes) to request information in answer to this question.
- ~ Question #78 – non-teaching positions: Consensus of seven committee members to have staff research and address this question.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. Public comment was heard regarding the 2018-19 Proposed Budget.
- (1) Mark Kowitz – Contractors
 - (2) Lucia Sanchez – Professional development
 - (3) Jazmin Torres – Bilingual assistant reduction
 - (4) Maricela Lagos – Bilingual assistant reduction
 - (5) Javier Quiroz – Bilingual assistant reduction
 - (6) Mark Atkinson – Drug and alcohol counselors
 - (7) Mindy Merritt – AVID
 - (8) Kate Chapman – Smaller class size
 - (9) Amy Solis – EdExcellence

5. MEETING SCHEDULE

Monday/Tuesday, May 21/22, 2018, 6 p.m., Budget Committee Meeting

- ~ The committee will meet until the budget is approved with a recommendation to the school board for adoption.
- ~ Public comment will be taken at both of these meetings.

Wednesday/Thursday, May 23/24, 2018, 6 p.m., Budget Committee Meeting (if needed)

- ~ The committee will continue to meet if the budget is not approved by May 22.
- ~ Public comment may or may not be taken as determined by the chair.

*If the budget is not approved by May 24, additional meetings may be necessary.

6. ADJOURNMENT – 7:25 p.m.

Note: There was a power outage shortly after 7 p.m., which shut off CCTV viewing of the meeting. The committee finished discussion of questions that were still on the table, and then the meeting was adjourned.