



BUDGET COMMITTEE

Christy Perry, Superintendent

MINUTES

BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING

May 7, 2019

6 p.m.

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

1. CALL TO ORDER

- a. Committee Attendance

All members were present except Chuck Lee. Rachel Dewey-Thorsett arrived after the call to order.

2. REVIEW OF 2019-20 PROPOSED BUDGET

- a. Superintendent's Changes to Proposed Budget

Superintendent Perry shared changes to the proposed budget, with a \$7 million increase to the beginning fund balance. Specific proposed increases in wages and benefits included high school counselors, social workers, behavior cadre, ELD teachers, and Indian Education staff. Changes to services or supplies included charter school payments, preschool grant shortfall, transfer to preventative and deferred maintenance fund, and contingency.

- b. Answers to Questions/Clarifying Comments from April 30, 2019, Budget Committee Meeting

Superintendent Perry walked through remaining questions from the April 30 budget meeting. Topics included nurses, OSAA costs, comparative spending and breakdown of spending per student, program assistants, superintendent's salary, curriculum adoption related to smoking and drug use, School Improvement Fund priorities, office of behavioral learning, principal budgetary decisions and discretionary funds, bilingual scholars and other teacher preparation programs, budget process in relation to the equity lens, parent-teacher club spending areas, and outdoor school. She also talked about checks and balances for expenditures.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

- a. Public Comment Related to 2019-20 Proposed Budget
 - (1) Joan Harmsen – teaching
 - (2) Aliza Stapleton – school lunches
 - (3) Alec Palm – elective funding and student newspaper
 - (4) Hailey Duggirala – student newspaper
 - (5) Alexandria Hardeman – student newspaper
 - (6) Sawyer Kofoid – student newspaper
 - (7) Brayden Sparkman – student newspaper

4. DELIBERATIONS ON 2019-20 PROPOSED BUDGET

Chair Lopez-Herrera opened the floor for follow-up questions in response to Superintendent Perry's proposed budget changes. Several committee members made comments, including responses related to public comment.

Chair Lopez-Herrera opened the floor for deliberation on the 2019-20 proposed budget, noting this is the time for committee members to make recommendations for priorities and/or changes and have discussions toward approving the proposed budget.

No formal recommendations were made, but Director Green noted a priority of, when looking at additions, using the contingency funds in a manner that is fiscally responsible.

5. BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

Monday, May 20*

Tuesday, May 21*

Wednesday, May 22**

Thursday, May 23**

*Public comment received

**Public comment may or may not be received

Meeting dates/times, agendas, and information about opportunities for public comment will be posted on the district website.

6. ADJOURNMENT: 7:35 p.m.