

OUUSD Budget/Finance Committee

Date: Tuesday, March 16th, 2021

Time: 12:00pm - 1:00pm

Attendees: Danielle, Angela, Marvin, Tim, Erin, Bruce, Kaitlin, Marcey, Linda

Agenda

Approve minutes from 3/5/21

Motion made by Marvin Harrison; seconded by Erin Odell

Motion Approved; Marcey abstained

Discussion:

- Thanks to Marvin for reaching out to Rep. Kitchel and bringing the topic of Education \$\$\$ back to forefront. Should be seeing money very soon.
- OUUSD Budget follow up- communication about budget
- Draft Audit – Surplus
 - Last audit wrapping up
 - Unusual timing for audits; should occur in November
 - Due to Covid, budget failures, staffing changes, even some with the audit firms
- Solar Options (Marcey)
 - All schools initially used panels behind OHS
 - With resulting legislature
 - NES – array from behind garage
 - BES – array from Oxbow field
 - OHS/Riverbend – array behind school
 - Could benefit from splitting
 - Some one-time expenses to split but overall reduction in the budget
 - Barn/Greenhouse – Windsor
- Other ideas to explore to reduce costs / increase equity
 - Energy Audit
 - Union discussions
 - Facilities projects:
 - Water Main issue
 - Number of tax payments discrepancy
 - 1 payment vs. 4 payments AND interest implications

- Who decides?
 - Linda will follow-up
 - Mary Collins
 - Lynn Fischer
- Provision II / Food Program
 - How to finance PII continues to be a problem without touching ED Fund
 - Fund balance as of 6/30/20: +\$25,679.68
 - Surplus \$189,622.32
 - Resulted in erasing great deficits that we were carrying as a district
 - Why?
 - USDA summer food program: higher reimbursement rate ~20%
 - Bradford kitchen
 - Butler bus service, helped to increase enrollment = increase in reimbursement rate
 - No up-to-date financial report but should still be positive
 - Not enough to fulfill the Provision II needs
 - Food program extended through 9/30/21
 - Not likely to go past that
 - Bruce to bring report through March 1st, 2021 at next meeting
 - For the future: Hopeful to have an in-person meeting to get community ideas out in the open to discuss PII interest

Business:

- Committee's recommendations to the board
- Annual report booklet
 - Add Principal high-level changes? Not effective.
 - Danielle to reach out to Liz on time constraints
 - Deadline for booklets have come and gone
 - For this time around: create a separate report to use as a future template that can be pushed out through various medias
 - Bruce to send Power Points from TA and TES
 - Danielle to send out what we used last time

Committee needs: information and reports?

Action items:

Work on community outreach in regards to current budget and upcoming vote

Special Meeting: Tuesday, March 30th from 12-1 (if needed)

Next regular meeting: Tuesday, April 20th from 12-1