

MINUTES: Meeting of the Monona Grove School District, Business Services Committee, held on Tuesday, March 25, 2008, in the Nichols School, District Office Board Room, Starting at 5:00 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: John Weinberger, Peter Sobol

BOARD MEMBER ABSENT: Susan Manning

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: Jason McCutchin, Judy Runk

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I. Opening of Meeting – John Weinberger

II. Declaration of Public Notice – acknowledged

III. Public Appearances - None

IV. Approval of the Minutes of the February 27, 2008, Business Services Committee Meeting

Peter Sobol moved approval of the minutes of the February 27, 2008, Business Services Committee meeting. Judy Runk seconded and the motion carried.

V. Opportunity for Input on the 2008-2009 Budget

No one was in attendance to offer public input into the 2008-2009 proposed budget.

VI. Discussion of Proposal to Enter into a New Lease for the Alternative High School – Mike Devenish

Mike Devenish presented information regarding the lease arrangement he is proposing for housing the Alternative High School for the next four years on behalf of Devenish & Associates.

John Weinberger stated the information from Mr. Devenish is just informational at this meeting and will be discussed further by the Board of Education at their April 9, 2008, meeting as part of the budget deficit discussion.

VII. Discussion and Possible Approval of After-School Daycare Providers for 2008-2009

Mary Ellen Van Valin reported information was included in the packets regarding applications for after school child care providers. Applications were received from Learning Ladder (Cottage Grove School building), Kid's Safari (Taylor Prairie School building) and the YMCA (Maywood School building).

Peter Sobol moved that the Committee recommend to the Board of Education approval of the after school day care providers for 2008-2009 as recommended by

the administration. Jason McCutchin seconded. Discussion was held. Motion carried.

VIII. Update on Energy Request for Proposal – Dr. Schumacher

Dr. Schumacher gave an update on the Energy Conservation Committee meetings that have been held and the status of the Energy Request for Proposal (RFP) that is presently being reviewed by the Committee. Additional updates on the work of the Committee and the outcome of the RFP's will be presented at a future meeting.

IX. Discussion and Possible Approval of the Following Budgets for 2008-2009

Mary Ellen Van Valin presented the following budgets to the Committee for review:

- A. 535 – Superintendent's Office showing a decrease from last year.
- B. 537 – Business Office showing a slight increase from last year due mainly to the new school opening in Cottage Grove.
- C. Fund 38 & 39 – Debt Payments showing no change from last year.
- D. Fund 539 – Transportation showing a slight increase due mainly to gasoline prices.
- E. Fund 540 – Buildings & Grounds showing a decrease from last year.  
District Utilities Budget showing a 5% increase from last year.
- F. Fund 541 – Technology showing a decrease from last year.
- G. Fund 879 – Summer School showing a decrease from last year.

Judy Runk moved approval of budgets presented A-G as proposed in printouts furnished by the Business Office. Jason McCutchin seconded. Motion carried. The Committee will be forwarding all budgets to the Board of Education at such time as the final budget is presented to them for approval.

The following budgets will be presented for discussion and possible approval at the next Committee meeting:

- H. Fund 881 – Early Learning Fair
- I. Fund 884 – EXCEL
- J. Fund 891 – SOAR

X. Confirm Next Meeting Date – Wednesday, April 23, 2008, 5:00 P.M. at Nichols School in the District Office Board Room.

XI. Adjournment

Judy Runk moved that the meeting be adjourned. Peter Sobol seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 6:02 P.M.