

FINANCE/TRANSPORTATION AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE
SCHOOL DISTRICT OF BELOIT

February 14, 2017

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Cronin, Committee Chair at 6:01p.m. in Room 106, the Superintendent's Conference Room, at the Kolak Education Center.

Members present: Shelly Cronin, Dennis Baskin and Kris Klobucar. Others present: Lisa Anderson-Levy, Pam Charles, Laurie Endres, Nora Gard(6:15), Anthony Bonds, Jamie Merath, Emily Pelz, Deetra Sallis, and Darrell Williams.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Klobucar moved approval of the agenda. Seconded by Cronin, motion carried.

3. APPROVAL OF JANUARY MINUTES

Klobucar moved approval of the January minutes. Seconded by Cronin, motion carried.

4. REVIEW OF JANUARY PO'S BETWEEN \$15,000-\$25,000

Members reviewed the purchase orders in January between \$15,000-\$25,000.

5. AUDIT SERVICES RFP

Merath reviewed the request for district audit services. There were 5 respondents evaluated on a variety of factors. Administration is recommending Schenk who received the highest number of points based on the criteria.

Baskin moved to recommend to the full Board of Education hiring Schenck for the purpose of Audit Services in an amount not to exceed \$78,000 over three years. Seconded by Klobucar, motion carried.

6. TECHNOLOGY ITB AWARD

Merath explained that the bid was for desktop and laptop computers to be placed at Gaston, BMHS and McNeel libraries. The computers are on a replacement cycle and will be paid for from common school funds. Cronin asked if the district was replacing items to just replace or is it really necessary. Merath explained that it is common school funds and not paid from the general fund. It is evaluated and is funding from DPI. Anderson-Levy inquired as to who bid last time. Cronin asked if it met the specifications.

Baskin moved to recommend to the full Board of Education the approval of the purchase desktop and laptops from VPC in the amount of \$45,458.42. Seconded by Klobucar, motion carried.

7. FUTURE BUDGET PLANNING

Merath explained that the packet contained a five year projection. She did indicate that the numbers in the forecast assumes no revenue increases, employees will receive a 1.5% salary increase, utilities will increase, as well as other expenses. It also means that unless the district makes cuts, the deficit continues to grow. There has been budget discussions at the state level that the governor will be putting money back into education.

Baskin indicated that the information could prove misleading in the fact that it shows that we didn't balance our budget and historically, the district does balance its budget through cuts or other revenue sources. He requested that Merath send a modified scenario out to board members right away.

Anderson-Levy stated that she has asked what happens if we would not balance our budget. She stated this forecast is a worst case scenario. Charles clarified the revenue limit energy exemption. Baskin struggled with this scenario versus one that more accurately reflects what the district actually has done with budget cuts, using the revenue energy limit, etc. He referenced the governor's budget proposal and 12% insurance premium payments for staff and its affect as well.

This item was for information only.

8. WAIVER OF RENTAL FEES – LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS

Baskin moved approval of the request by the League of Women Voters to waive the rental fees of Kolak on March 20, 2017. Seconded by Klobucar, motion carried.

9. WAIVER OF RENTAL FEES – TURTLE CREEK CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

Baskin moved approval of the request from the Turtle Creek Chamber orchestra to waive the rental fees of Fruzen for July 16-20, 2017. Seconded by Klobucar, motion carried.

10. WAIVER OF RENTAL FEES – BELOIT INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL

Baskin moved approval of the request by the Beloit International Film Festival to waive the rental fees of Beloit Memorial High School for March 4, 2017. Seconded by Klobucar, motion carried.

11. WAIVER OF RENTAL FEES – HERITAGE BAPTIST CHURCH

Baskin moved approval of the request by the Heritage Baptist Church to waive the rental fees of Beloit Memorial High School on April 8, 2017. Seconded by Klobucar, motion carried.

12. FUTURE ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

No items were requested.

13. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:27 p.m.