

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS
NEW ALBANY FINANCIAL REVIEW AND REPORTING COMMITTEE
(FRRC)

The monthly meeting of the Financial Review and Reporting Committee (FRRC) was held on Monday, October 15, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. at the administrative office.

Members present: Peg Betts, April Domine, Ken Stark, Mark Ryan, Phillip Derrow, Molly Cooper, Cheri Lehmann, Brian Steel, Joe Armpreister, Kevin Stahl, William Neville.

Members Absent: Parag Patel, Dave Demers, Tom Pace

Welcome and Introductions

- Welcome and Introduction: Mark Ryan called the meeting to order 9:02 a.m.
- Approval of the Minutes: The committee requested for the minutes to more accurately reflect the discussion and questioning of the committee on topics and its practice of policy and process review and suggestions for the administration and board to consider.
- Review of the Five Year forecast (link to PowerPoint)
 - The committee heard the following presentation points by the administrative team and considered and questioned the assumptions integrated into the forecast.
 - Projections include funding for Goals and the impact to the five-year forecast. Work to significantly ramp up the work and how five-year forecast fits into this.
 - District committed to maintaining strong fund balances.
 - District needs to maintain 30-90 days of cash to alleviate a short term borrowing situation. This is why it is important to be on the ballot now for the operating levy.
 - Revenue side – first half property tax settlement is in and it is down about 2.7%
 - Anticipating minimal real estate growth in the five-year forecast.
 - Income tax sharing, Peg and Ken met with city of New Albany and they are projecting flat (no growth) for the next several years
 - Discussion ensued regarding the City of New Albany projections – why they are not optimistic about growth or why it is remaining flat based on their projections? Economic conditions cited as the reasoning.
 - Can we get more details from the city?
 - Peg will work to try and get additional information by project.
 - Enrollment projections:
 - 4647 was the official count last week.
 - District shift to DeJong Healy for projection– variations have been less than 1% working with this new more rigorous system of metrics to predict.
 - Looking for a very specific response from when they began working with district.

- How did they do relative to the “most likely” projection?
 - In their national work, what are their variance trends? Research to be done and report back.
 - District capacity and enrollment
 - Annex ruled in 2001 that it is not a good use of space or worthy of extensive remodeling.
 - Modular/trailer space, already subject to upgrades
 - Shifting some middle school students into high school.
 - The Committee is interested in reviewing the cost per pupil data over previous years, Peg will provide for committee.
 - Impact overall:
 - Over time expenses grow at a greater rate than revenue however 2012 grew slower, less than 1% over 2011
- Discussion regarding health insurance growing exponentially at a greater rate than all other operating costs, what are the options and committee work.
 - the Insurance Committee has been discussing the plan design, looking at it in a way that will control cost, what we are paying and being mindful of the collective bargaining agreement.
- The Committee would like more information on student growth and suggests considering means to curb health care costs.

Monthly Financial Report review:

- Concerns mostly on real estate collection, second half collection CY13 should be higher.
- Next financial report will include last year’s budget and this year’s.

Treasurer’s search continues

- Application deadline is approaching, profile is almost complete.
- Search will continue beyond the deadline.

Next meeting December 3, 2012, due to the Ohio School Boards Assn. - Capital Conference in November and the Thanksgiving Holiday.

Committee has asked for follow up from staff on several issues as noted in minutes.

Meeting Adjourned at 10:30am