

GLENBROOK HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 225

FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

July 23, 2019 7:32 AM – 8:52 AM

Administration Building - Public Meeting Room 100A

Members Present: Doughty, Fagel, Finan, Geddeis, Gravel, Hanley, Johns, Ptak, Raffles, Tarver, Taub, Williams, Wright

Also Present: Williamson, Schramm

Members Absent: Swanson

Agenda Item #1: Call to Order

A regular meeting of the Finance Committee was held in the Public Meeting Room 100A at the Administration Building on July 23, 2019. The meeting convened at 7:32 AM.

Agenda Item #2: Recognition of Community Visitors

There were no community members present at the meeting.

Agenda Item #3: Tentative Budget for the 2019-20 Fiscal Year

Dr. Gravel presented the Tentative Budget for the 2019-20 fiscal year to the committee by introducing a new section of the budget titled: Key Findings. Dr. Gravel explained that the Key Findings summarizes the unaudited performance of the 2018-19 fiscal year, and provides context for the 2019-20 budget.

In regards to the reconciliation of the 2018-19 budget, Dr. Gravel informed the committee that the district started the 2018-19 school year with a balanced budget. He explained that preliminary, unaudited estimates, indicate that the fiscal year will end with a small surplus. The fiscal year ended with revenues representing 95% local funds, and salaries and benefits representing 69.6% of expenditures. Dr. Gravel went on to explain that the Board of Education entered into a \$6M settlement with Allstate Insurance Company for property tax objections for tax years 2004 - 2009. The settlement is to be paid in \$2M installments over three years, with the first installment paid during the 2018-19 fiscal year, and the second during 2019-20.

Dr. Gravel offered the committee a summary of the 2019-20 tentative budget by

explaining that the 2019-20 operating fund budget includes \$169M in estimated revenues and \$171M in estimated expenditures, inclusive of the purposeful use of fund balance for the Allstate settlement.

Revenue: The 2019-20 tentative budget reflects an increase in local property taxes for operating funds in the amount of \$1.3M. The Glen Make Whole Payments (the Village of Glenview's contribution), is estimated to provide an additional \$9.6M in revenue. The district's direct revenue budget represents 94% local and other funding, primarily through property taxes, with less than 5% of funding provided by state and federal sources.

Expenditures: Salary expenditures are the result of current negotiated rates between the district's three collective bargaining units, including anticipated approved increases in FTE. There is an estimated 5% premium increase in the health benefits budgeted for the 2020 plan year.

Agenda Item #4: Discussion of Proposed SSCRMP Health Bylaws

Dr. Gravel explained to the committee that along with Districts 207 & 214, Glenbrook High School District 225 is part of a cooperative purchasing group that engages in purchasing health services plans. As a group we purchase health insurance from one carrier and as a group receive better pricing for our districts. The group is discussing creating bylaws that would allow for proper notification should one of the districts desire to withdraw from the group. The finance committee offered their recommendation that the bylaws should include six months notice prior to the end of the fiscal year. Dr. Gravel will provide an update to the full Board of Education next month.

Agenda Item #5: Other Topics

Ms. Geddeis, Director of Public Relations for the district, presented the idea of a document called Budget in Brief (BIB) which basically summarizes and presents the budget in a graphically pleasing / easy to understand publication.

Agenda Item #6: Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:52 AM.

The next Finance Committee Meeting TBD.