

**Beekmantown Central School District
Operations Committee Meeting
District Office
May 12, 2009
Minutes**

Call to Order Leonard King called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Members Present

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Scott Amo	<input type="checkbox"/> George Palmer
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Leonard King	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Steve Trombley
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dan Noonan	

Guests:
Ron Clamser, Business Manager
Mary Blaine, District Treasurer

Recorder Jeri Bennett was present as recorder for Operations Committee Meeting.

Discussion **Mr. Amo opened the meeting** with an overview of the potential monies left over from the 2008-2009 budget year. He posed the question of what the Board Members felt the funds should be used for. Currently, he has a list of items that the administrators and supervisors feel are items that the money could be effectively spent on.

-Discussion on whether to proceed or not proceed with redoing the football field ensued. If this is to be done, it is contingent upon the resolution to purchase bleachers being passed by the voters. Both Mr. King and Mr. Trombley felt they needed to confirm this with the remainder of the Board before a final decision would be made. Information was to be shared with the full Board at the meeting that evening.

-Mr. Clamser did remind them that there was only one more Board meeting to approve the transfer of funds and orders must be processed prior to June 30, 2009.

-Mr. Amo listed the following as possible priorities as well:

- *Upgrade bus radios in preparation of digital transformation;
- *Supply busses with cameras;
- *Administrators to have input on spending final monies.

-It was also noted that any left over funds would be returned to the fund balance, pushing the general fund higher, which creates an issue with the general fund balance that the Board is currently trying to reduce.

Mr. Noonan next presented an update on EXCEL:

-All alternates were included in bids with bids coming in at \$2.3 million under original expectations.

-Murnane's was the low bidder for the General Contractor

-Heating and Plumbing low bidder was K & L Plumbing

-Electrical low bidder was Mountain Lake Electrical

-Roofing low bidder was Apple Roofing

Bids are on the agenda for the Board's consideration this evening.

Discussion on the use of the large amount of money available through EXCEL followed. Questions regarding the procedure(s) necessary to add additional items that the district would like to have done will be addressed with Iris Willis, Tetra Tech.

Additionally discussed:

- District examination of the items listed on the current five year plan which may fit into the requirements for EXCEL aid.
- Board to approve all additions or allow Dan to choose and proceed?
- Should the District retain the services of the Fiscal Advisors to oversee EXCEL spending?

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Next meeting Tuesday, June 9, 2009, at 4:30 p.m., in the Buildings and Grounds Office.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jeri Bennett, Recorder of Minutes