Conneaut School District Finance/Budget Committee

February 23, 2015

The meeting of the Finance/Budget Committee was called to order at 2:00 pm on Monday, February 23, 2015 as advertised in the Central Office. Present for the meeting were Directors Dorothy Luckock, David Schaef and Jody Sperry; Business Manager Kara Onorato, and Superintendent Jarrin Sperry.

The committee met with the following administration to review their proposed budget requests; received additional information; review current staff and discuss any questions:

- Curriculum – John Hines. Included in the budget are materials for new Math curriculum, K-12. Also if possible some equipment to assist in Tech Ed.
- Special Education – Susy Walters. Discussed was the current workload, amount of students and mandates requiring testing services and other duties of the 1 school psychologist. Currently there are 400 students with IEP, 57 with gifted IEP and 15 with other health impairments. The make-up of our student population has been changing, with more students requiring these services. It was discussed that many districts are having the same experience. The current budget is to be looked at to see if anything can be done during the 14-15 school year; and budget for a second psychologist in 15-16 budget.
- Athletics – John Acklin. We found some duplication between CASH and the middle school budget submissions, and some other report inconsistencies. These will be updated at reviewed at another meeting.
- CASH – Principals Dave Maskrey and Sharon Sielski – A large concern is the mandated remediation in Math and Science for the Keystone Exams (now mandatory for graduation.)

The next meetings are scheduled for the following dates at 2:00 pm in the Large Conference room. At each meeting we will be reviewing budget information from a building principal as well as one of the other above mentioned areas: Monday, March 16 and Monday March 30.

Mrs. Jody Sperry, Board President

Ms. Kara Onorato, Board Secretary

Mrs. Dorothy Luckock, Committee Chairperson