Conneaut School District Finance/Budget Committee

September 7, 2016

The meeting of the Finance/Budget Committee was called to order at 3:30 pm on Wednesday September 7, 2016 as advertised in the Large Conference room in the Central Office. Present for the meeting were Directors Dorothy Luckock, David Schaefer and Jody Sperry, Superintendent Jarrin Sperry and Business Manager Greg Mayle. Solicitor George Joseph participated by phone.

- Director of Special Education Susy Walters gave an update of nurse needs on bus runs. Transportation costs can be reimbursed at a level through Access billing. Currently we have been expending $40,000 to Bayada for sub nurses when the staff nurse is attending a field trip, bus runs, etc. It was discussed that a “floater” type of nurse would cost approx. $50,000 with benefits. But with continually increasing need, may work out cheaper long term.

- Purchasing Cards – a concern was raised by some staff regarding the new guidelines for signing out the purchasing card, especially with Family & Consumer Science at CASH. The consensus of the finance committee was to retain total control at the Central Office. This will be reviewed again later in the year.

- Audit Update – Greg reported that the first round was completed and on track. A couple of items to note are that PlanCon has taken way too long and therefore is a challenge as it falls across 2 accounting years; the IU contract reconciliation may owe us approx. $90,000 – thanks to extra effort by Greg, Susy and Joyce; Hope to have full audit report at November board meeting.

- Investment Update was given by Greg of transitioning to new options available under Act 10.

The next meeting is scheduled for a date to meet with Mark Salvia regarding Hospitalization in the Large Conference room. This will be key information for planning regarding contract negotiations.

(Scheduled for October 5 at 5:00 pm with Solicitor George Joseph included and update on Hospitalization was only topic covered and/or discussed).

Jody Sperry, Board President

Greg Mayle, Board Secretary

Dorothy Luckock, Committee Chairperson