

Conneaut School District Finance/Budget Committee Meeting Minutes

January 5, 2022

The meeting of the Finance/Budget Committee was called to order at 6:00 pm on January 5, 2022 in the ASA meeting room. Present for the meeting were Directors Dorothy Luckock, Jamie Hornstein (remotely on Teams) and Adam Horne, Business Manager Greg Mayle and Superintendent Jarrin Sperry. Also Rick Kelly facilitating Teams; as well as Ed Pietroski and Matt Vannoy CASH principals.

- It was noted that the Dec. committee meeting was cancelled.
- CASH Restorative Practices Initiative – the CASH principals presented information regarding a restorative approach for students. They are looking at \$135 per hour for approx. 12 hours plus mileage for the trainer. This is not in this year’s budget. This would be used for the entire school population and assist as an option to outside Alternative Education services. The committee supported their request.
- Act 1 Index – 2022-2023: Greg presented the Act 1 analysis and this year it would be 4.6% or 2.37 mills. All were reminded that this would be the maximum that any tax increase could be considered without going to voter referendum. Currently we are at 51.55 mills, the lowest of the 3 Crawford County school districts. The max of 2.37 mills would be \$656,136 estimated. It was the recommendation of the committee to ask the board to vote to NOT exceed the Act 1 index. All were reminded that no tax increase is being discussed at this time.
- Stimulus Update – Greg presented a report noting the planned expenditures for the Stimulus funding, broad categories. Since our last committee meeting, the new Stimulus III was made available and has some specific restrictions on usage. More discussions will be held during the budget process. Here is a brief recap, full report to the committee is available:
 - Stimulus I, \$1,019,841: Cleaning Supplies/PPE; Cyber Program Costs; Tutoring Programs/Prof. Dev.
 - Stimulus II, \$2,937,434: Cyber/Remediation/Cap. Projects
 - Stimulus III – Federal, \$6,028,604: Cyber/Remediation/Cap. Projects; Special Education
 - Stimulus III – State Set Asides Act 24, \$563,720: CASH Teacher ATSI: After school programs; Summer school programs; Interventionists; Homeless Supplies
 - A grand total of \$10,549,599
- Summit Building – Greg wanted to remind the committee of the Summit Property that exists. He reported that there has been some recent interest in the property.

The next meeting is scheduled for Weds. Feb. 2 at 6:00 pm prior to the work session meeting.



Dorothy Luckock, Board President



Greg Mayle, Board Secretary