

Conneaut School District Finance/Budget Committee

April 19, 2022

The meeting of the Finance/Budget Committee was called to order at 6:00 pm on April 19, 2022, in the ASA meeting room, with some on Teams remotely. Present for the meeting were Directors Dorothy Luckock, Jamie Hornstein and Adam Horne, Business Manager Greg Mayle and Superintendent Jarrin Sperry. In addition, one member of the public.

- Transportation ride times – Have to review start and end times, also to see if possible what K-12 might look like in some of the sparser areas to cut down on routes. One factor is always reimbursement. Admin is to reach out to Rick Bridge to review and brainstorm.
- Intramurals/student activities – It was suggested that as a district board we review participation levels (as was recently done with athletics) to ensure the value of dollars spent. We will ask principals for additional information. It was also mentioned to brainstorm on ideas in the music department – with retirements this year and future years. Specifically noted were lessons at the HS level.
- Printing/copying – Greg moved these back into each building budget for increased awareness of usage, especially the costlier color copies.
- Assessment appeals of property taxes – Greg noted that legally was recommended that a lookback timeframe was maximum of 2-3 years. The annual deadline is August 1st, to be confirmed. It does not provide equity but can potentially move towards some additional revenue. Anything applied for during 2022 would take effect for the 23/24 school year. The transfer tax report of properties sold would be utilized and the committee is going to recommend to the full board to proceed. Also, that if a property is “flagged” as being significantly high, then we would send an informational letter to the property owner with the appeal process.
- Cyber program expansion – it was discussed whether to consider reaching outside our district to other districts needing to provide for specific students. As example might be Jamestown that may have too small of several students to provide an advanced science or math. Additional information is to be gathered as to interest, opportunity, and/or tuition rate.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is scheduled for Weds. May 4 at 5:30 pm in ASA prior to the worksession meeting.


Dorothy Luckock, Board President


Greg Mayle, Board Secretary