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DAC Budget Subcommittee

Web page: [District Accountability Committee \(DAC\)](#)
Chairman John Roebke

Meeting Notes

November 28, 2017

6:00 p.m.

Members present: Deborah Boisselle, Jamie Cushenbery, Dan Fox, Tom Hunt, AJ LaFrancis, Pete Lee, Bob Miner, Trish Nixon, Bob Null, Jan Rennie, Michael Reyes, John Roebke, Carl Schueler, Toni Seberger. and Elisa Villarruel

Members absent: Lara Crowell, Andrew Hug, and Kim Polomka

Ex-officio members present: Laura Hronik, Ken Wieck, and Becky Moore

Guests: DAC chairman Dr. Parth Melpakam and Thomas B. Doherty High School teacher Mr. Bruce Cole

Chairman John Roebke brought the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Members were welcomed. Mr. Schueler made a motion to approve the meeting notes from November 14, 2017. Ms. Nixon seconded the motion. The notes will be posted to the DAC web page.

Chairman Roebke called on Ms. Rennie to provide the DAC update as he was out of town for the last meeting. Both Ms. Rennie and Dr. Melpakam reported that the DAC discussed school choice, the Spacious Skies Charter School application, and future topics for the DAC this year. Chairman Roebke told the subcommittee that new membership will be submitted to the DAC for approval and then referred to the Board of Education for final approval.

First order of business was Mr. Hunt handing out Office 365 credentials to the subcommittee members who had turned in their information. Mr. Hunt gave instructions for members for logging in to District 11 from any device.

Mr. Wieck had nothing new to update about the budget process as the mid-year modifications are still in progress.

The meeting turned to the main agenda topic of the mid-year budget modification requests. The subcommittee decided upon a simple process to “grade” each remaining budget modification request so that the group could get through all of the requests this evening. Voting by members only with a thumbs up for priority rank 1 affirmative, thumbs flat for priority rank 2 neutral, and thumbs down for priority rank 3 negative.

Mr. Cole updated the subcommittee regarding budget modification EXEC-3, K-5 STEM/PLTW, which was given a rank of 2. He learned from Mr. Roberson, the modification’s author, that this request would take priority over the CTE conference budget modification request EXEC-5, which was given a rank of 1. He also reminded the group that the project was already underway.

Results of this meeting’s budget modification review were as follows:

No.	Program	Amount \$	N/R*	Request Description	Rank
BS-3	Facilities/Maintenance	163,184	N	Door hardware installation	1
BS-4	Facilities/Maintenance	126,068	N	Athletic field/landscaping breeze	2
BS-5	Facilities/Maintenance	150,000	N	Asphalt-concrete repair and replace	2
BS-6	Facilities/Maintenance	903,000	N	Re-pipe water RJ Wasson Campus	1
BS-7	Facilities/Maintenance	315,000	N	Re-pipe water Russell	1
BS-8	Facilities/Maintenance	35,000	R	Water quality testing kits	3
BS-9	Facilities/Maintenance	15,986	N	Eyewash stations installation	1
BS-10	Facilities	30,000	N/R	FOTC computer replacement	3
BS-11	Risk Related Activities	5,000	N	First aid training compliance	1
ICSS-1	English Language Arts	100,000	N	Middle school laptops	3
ICSS-2	Fine Arts – Music	46,000	N	Band uniform replacement – DHS	2
ICSS-3	Fine Arts – Music	15,000	N	Band uniform replacement – CHS	2
ICSS-4	Fine Arts – Music	20,000	N	Instrument repair	1
ICSS-5	Fine Arts – Music	40,000	N	Instrument purchase	1
ICSS-6	Fine Arts – Art	40,000	N	Kiln replacements	1
ICSS-7	Mathematics	57,682	N	Math textbooks/curriculum	3
ICSS-8	Science	330,000	N	Biology resources	3
ICSS-9	World Languages	14,141	N	Japanese language textbooks	1
ICSS-10	AVID Program	97,291	N	Expansion of program	1
ICSS-11	Social Studies	46,457	N	AP curriculum-American government	2
ICSS-12	Social Studies	224,369	N	American government curriculum	2/3
ICSS-13	Social Studies	88,495	N	Social studies curriculum – grade 8	3
ICSS-14	Social Studies	253,106	N	Social studies curriculum – grade 2	3
ICSS-15	Social Studies	160,475	N	Social studies curriculum – grade 1	3
ICSS-16	Social Studies	355,825	N	US history curriculum – grade 10	3

*N/R refers to N as non-recurring request and R as recurring request.

Remarks were as follows:

- BS-4 Cost high, more cosmetic, perhaps could MLO help
- BS-5 Repair only what is necessary for safety
- BS-6 Concerns about getting this done in 2017-18, seems like a summer project so not mid-year request
- BS-7 Concerns about getting this done in 2017-18, seems like a summer project so not mid-year request
- BS-8 Recurring request, should ask during 2018-19 budget development
- BS-10 Recurring request, should ask during 2018-19 budget development
- ICSS-1 Requested amount seems inflated
- ICSS-2 Questioned rotation priority
- ICSS-3 Questioned rotation priority
- ICSS-7 Concerned about state standards changes this year, premature purchase
- ICSS-8 Concerned about state standards changes this year, premature purchase
- ICSS-11 CU Gold program could eliminate need
- ICSS-12 Premature purchase if standards are going to change
- ICSS-13 Concerned about state standards changes this year, premature purchase, poorly written
- ICSS-14 Concerned about state standards changes this year, premature purchase, poorly written
- ICSS-15 Concerned about state standards changes this year, premature purchase, poorly written
- ICSS-16 Concerned about state standards changes this year, premature purchase

The subcommittee's ranking and remarks from both November meetings will be made available to the administration when they also review the requests next week to aid them with their process. The next meeting of the subcommittee will finalize the recommendations for DAC and Board of Education review in January.

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Next Meeting: December 12, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the District 11 boardroom.