



Fiscal Oversight Committee (FOC)
Thursday, September 12, 2024
Meeting Minutes
Regular Monthly Meeting – Board Room | Wilcox Building

Voting Members (x indicates in attendance * indicates absent)

x	James Coope, Chair	x	Kevin Metzger
x	Ed Pavletich, Vice Chair	x	Maya Rosochacova
x	Jerrold Taylor, Recorder	*	Megan Severs
x	Aaron Cowan	x	Mike Barrows
x	Alex Frum	x	Robert Smithson
x	David Usechek	*	Shawn Daughenbaugh
x	Daniel Smith	x	Vili Vangelova-Petkova

Non-Voting Members

x	Kaylee Winegar, Board of Education Director	x	Jenny Frueh, Administrative Assistant to CFO
x	Valerie Thompson, Board of Education Director	x	Drew Phelps, Manager of School Budgeting
x	Jana Schleusner, Chief Financial Officer		
x	Colleen Doan, Director of Budget		
x	Eric Varner, Director of Finance	*	Aadithya S, DCSD Student Advisory Group

Guests

x	Sean Walsh, campaign consultant	x	Erin Kane, Superintendent
		x	Steve Colella, Chief of Staff

Call to Order

- Chair James Coope called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. Roll call was taken.

Public Participation Protocol Statement

- Chair James Coope stated that the public would have an opportunity at the end of the meeting to provide public comment.

Welcome Back – First Meeting of 24/25 SY

Approval of Minutes of Meeting | Chair James Coope

- Motion to adopt June 6, 2024, Minutes of Meeting by Dave Usechek, seconded by Dan Smith. Motion passed 12-0.

Bond Campaign | Sean Walsh, campaign consultant

- Sean Walsh discussed the upcoming bond campaign and answered questions related to differences in Presidential Election years vs. other years.

Growth & Decline Presentation | Erin Kane, Superintendent, and Steve Colella, Chief of Staff

- Superintendent Kane gave an overview of the decline in enrollment.
- Schools will be paired, no staff will lose a job. May carry more staff than necessary for a bit. Lopsided enrollment in schools for a period of time.
- North planning area has had biggest change in amount of babies born. 6,000 students in HR by 2028 for 18 buildings.
- More expensive per student in small schools vs larger schools.
- Steve Colella went over what we want for our schools.
- There are plans for the buildings not being used.
- There were several questions from the committee members.

General Business | Chair James Coope

- Individual versus Committee Role Reminders
- Semester 1 Preview

Board of Education Update | Kaylee Winegar, BOE Director and Valerie Thompson, BOE Director

- Director Winegar gave an update on board happenings since the last FOC meeting.
- Director Thompson gave an update on committee bylaws.
- There was a conversation on how the FOC could assist with the consolidations in the North Planning area.

- SY 2024-2025 BOE Resolutions – FOC Areas of Focus
 - Standing Focus - Audit, Quarterly Financials & Budget, Posting of Citizen’s budget guide
 - Areas of Inquiry - Plans if bond fails, Department reviews (athletics, arts, CTE & Concurrent Enrollment), financial implications of school consolidations in North Planning area

Financial Update

- Bond Status Update | Jana Schleusner, Chief Financial Officer
 - Board approved bond for the election and shared the language of the bond.
- SY 2023-2024 Fourth Quarter Financials | Colleen Doan, Director of Budget
 - Revenue was 99% of budgeted.
 - Expenses were 97% of budgeted.
 - Went over notable variances in the budget.
 - Smaller changes in fund balance give us \$3.4 million in additional resources.
- School Carry Over | Drew Phelps, Manager of School Budgeting
 - Carryover increased by \$1 million.
 - There were questions about excess carryover and how district staff handles it.
- Audit Update – Subcommittee Kickoff | Eric Varner, Director of Finance

New Business/Ideas | Chair James Coope

- Dan Smith gave an overview of MBOC/FOC work on cost to taxpayer calculation standardization.
- Dave Usechek asked why there were no committee liaisons anymore.

Member Roundtable | Chair James Coope

- Ideas for food were provided for Jenny.

Public Participation

- Jim Maras addressed the committee about the upcoming bond.

Adjourn

- Motion to adjourn by Dave Usechek, seconded by Mike Barrows. Meeting adjourned at 8:33 p.m. Motion approved 12-0.

Next FOC Meeting

- The next FOC Meeting is scheduled for October 10, 2024 in the Board Room at the Wilcox Building.