## Conneaut School District Finance/Budget Committee

Nov. 13, 2024

The meeting of the Finance/Budget Committee was called to order at 6:00 pm on Nov. 13, 2024, in the ASA meeting room. Present at the meeting were Directors Dorothy Luckock, Steve Nader, and Dave Schaef; Business Manager Christine Krankota, B&G Director Jody Welcheck and Superintendent Jarrin Sperry.

- Bonded Contract at CVMS building They are down to 1 person at 4 hours per day. Jody Welcheck and George Joseph have been working on this diligently. They also currently cover weekend calls. It was noted that the current agreement will be concluded on Dec. 21<sup>st</sup>; then all building checks will be done locally by the maintenance department.
- CVMS Auction it was discussed whether to recommend an Auction to us Municibid. Jody talked to 2
  auctioneers that both expressed opinions that auction of the items we have would not be successful.
  Jody is going to give each building principal one last chance to get or exchange items (if that is in better
  condition than they currently have); then offer up to Municibid.
- CASH LED sign This has been reviewed by building and grounds committee and forwarded to this
  committee for review. It appears that repairs to the existing sign would be most cost effective. Jody
  and Christine are to review where to find money in the budget, possibly Capital Projects. Jody is to
  contact the company for additional information.
- SPO Compensation Agreement Jarrin and Christine presented options from Scott Shipton. It was
  decided to recommend to the full board that they approve the plan that would add 2 armed security
  guards rather than 1 SPO. One would be designed at CV Elementary. Jarrin reported that the PCCD
  grant should help with the increases. Proposal #2 was recommended with a new annual fee of
  \$162,000.
- Tax Collector Compensation Christine provided a request from the school property tax collectors for
  a significant increase. She provided some analysis for our discussion. Any adjustment would be in
  effect for Jan 2026. We were reminded that we reimburse them for supplies. Christine was asked to
  gather information on what the county is paying for their property tax portions, etc. This was tabled
  for further information.
- Budget Cuts Christine mentioned that there is uncertainty with a new federal budget especially if
  Title monies are decreased. She mentioned that going into this next budget she is asking all
  departments and buildings to draft with at least a 5% increase, possibly more.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be on Dec. 11, 2024.

Dorothy Luckock, Board President

Christine Krankota, Board Secretary