

Finance, Facilities, Technology Committee

Agenda

May 7, 2020

Board Members:

Thair Joshua

Anthony Mazzocchi – Finance Chair

Johanna Wright

Kamal Zubieta

Administration

Dr. Ronald Taylor, Superintendent

Paul Roth, Business Administrator

Keith Bonds, Technology Director

Discussion Items:

Planning Budget Reductions

- Reductions in Revenue
- Bids / contracts
- Technology Purchases
- Locker clean out

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Reductions in Revenue

The district is expected to receive \$13 million in state revenue next year and the state pays the last state aid payment for the 2019-2020 school year over the summer. This presents the possibility the district can see up to a \$14 million dollar loss in revenue. Additionally, jobless claims are rising to unprecedented levels which may lead to a drop in local property tax collections. This presents additional risk to the district's budget.

There is no information currently available projecting the exact loss of revenue. District administration is creating an expenditure reduction plan in the event the district is notified about revenue reductions.

Bids / Contracts

The following contracts end on June 30, 2020 and the district is advertising to procure proposals for custodial, security, fire alarm, lunch monitors, athletic training supplies, printed forms, vehicle maintenance, environmental testing, refuse removal, plumbing, and HVAC. Recommendations for award will be presented in June.

To provide flexibility in managing the 2020-2021 school budget, contract language will be adjusted to procure services on an as needed basis. In the event of revenue reductions, the board will have the flexibility to only pay for services rendered. This was reviewed by legal counsel.

Tech purchases

The committee discussed a request to purchase about \$500,000 of Chromebook using funds from the 2019-2020 budget. Forecasting a loss of revenue for the 2020-2021 school year, the purchase will provide additional flexibility to manage the 2020-2021 budget. Funds are available due to schools shutting down (less overtime for custodians, lower energy costs, etc.). It was discussed that surplus funds from the 2019-2020 school year will become revenue and tax relief for the 2021-2022 school year. The technology department will provide a memo detailing the technology request purchase.

General Building Access and Locker Cleanout

With schools closed for the remainder of the year, plans are underway to enable students and staff to retrieve their belongings from the schools. The plans will be shared with public health departments to ensure protocols the process follows proper social distancing protocols.

Administration is working with local officials to establish building access procedures for public elections.