

Board of Education Finance Committee
Minutes
January 4, 2014

Present for the meeting were Mr. Sessions, Mr. Preis, Ms. Wade, Mr. Cushing, Ms. Quinley, Dr. Clippard and Dr. Belcher.

Mr. Sessions called the meeting to order and asked for review and approval of the minutes. Ms. Wade moved and Mr. Cushing seconded that the minutes be approved as presented. Motion carried.

Ms. Quinley presented the final assessed valuation information for 2013 and a 10 year summary of assessed valuation change by property type. The committee discussed the final valuation numbers and the resulting decrease in budgeted revenues for 2013-2014 and future year projections. By consensus, the projection numbers for future years will remain as they are and the District will adjust if appropriate as new numbers become available.

Mr. Jack Dillingham of Piper Jaffray presented to the committee on the matter of competitive and negotiated bond sales as well as the role of underwriter and financial advisor. He shared several documents including an historical review of the District's 10 most recent bond sales by type with fee and rate detail. The information reviewed the growth in trend to negotiated sales for CPS resulting in good rates and fees.

Mr. Dillingham provided information on the types of information a district should receive from their advisor and underwriter reflecting expected rates and fees as well as follow up information to confirm that proposed and planned sale results closely mirror pre-sale projections. Mr. Dillingham focused on the importance of true interest cost and fees.

The committee discussed the state auditor report on negotiated sales and pending legislation in HB1210 and agreed the auditor's opinion and the proposed legislation do not align with CPS experience, ability and plans and could result in less local decision making and control.

Mr. Dillingham shared information on the upcoming bond sale and took questions from the committee.

Mr. Sessions surveyed the committee about meeting dates in February and March due to a known conflict. The committee agreed to work through email to determine dates and times that would work for those meetings.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted: Linda D. Quinley, CFO