

Subject: Board packet questions

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Steve,

As a duly elected member of the board of education, it is my duty to do my diligence in governance of the school district we serve. The board of education has a number of action items before us this week that have a large financial impact on the district as well as actions that have an impact on our student learning experience. Board members are allowed to ask questions of the administration in performing that duty, and it is the responsibility of the administration to attempt, within reason, to satisfy those questions. I do not feel any of these questions are off topic. I do not foresee any of these taking up a large amount of time from the administration, these answers should be readily available and easily answered. If that is not the case, kindly advise what you feel is too labor intensive and we can work it out. All of the information is public, it is available to any member of the public via the freedom of information act. In order for me to fulfill my duty, I feel it is necessary the board receive further details on matters before us. I respectfully request you answer all board member questions, if they are related to the meeting or relevant to our work and timely.

1. Action item for termination is not in the correct place on the agenda, if the intent is to approve that after the closed session. It is not noted as two separate actions, this was a problem in the past. If item C is an action and C-1 is a separate action they need to be separated. Notice they are the same as D which is not the intent. We need to revise the agenda to be two separate actions.
2. IL PACE - what class will teach this content?
4. Wayfinder SEL - how do we introduce this learning to parents / keep them engaged as the year progresses?
5. Superintendent: questions submitted Friday re: amended budget, please include responses to BOE prior to meeting so we know the plan to correct
5. When was the last time the district was audited on compliance with internal controls?
6. Please forward the district contract with Van Gogh
7. Why did we pay Safeway \$4500 for a 1-day trip when we have 10 full-time bus drivers + salaried director of Transportation, with a fleet of district owned buses?
7. Why was the Safeway transportation not coded to Fund 40?
8. Quinlin & Fabish expenses coding is inconsistent, why?
9. What is the \$1,322.47 4imprint, Inc. that hit supplies?
10. Chromebooks action item: what FY and what fund/loc/function?
11. Please forward job description for Maintenance positions and resumes for three new hires. Will they be eligible to enroll their families in district healthcare?
- 12: Confirm: 3 new hire maintenance workers will be required to get CDL. Other credentials required?
13. Why did we waive the custodian performance bond?
14. Custodian contract math doesn't math - CPI multiplier and cost difference is off.
14. Safe to assume alpha is paying custodians the same wage as the maintenance persons?
15. Did the committee look at the market rate for a maintenance worker at an elementary school district wage / benefits package? If so, please forward analysis to BOE.

16. Custodian contract Exhibits missing Q and R and O...
17. Where is the contract tied to the bid specs: equipment / 18 workers / schedule, etc? Need reference to bid requirements, which is not in the contract.
18. Please forward BOE members bids submitted from HES and Citywide.
19. Why do we need to hire 18 workers to replace 16 workers?