

Minutes of Budget Committee Meeting

Budget Committee and Board Approved _____

Corbett School District

A hybrid Budget Committee Meeting of the Board of Trustees and Budget Committee of Corbett School District was held Wednesday, April 10, 2024, beginning at 7:00 PM in the gym/Board Room of the Corbett Middle School and via ZOOM-Owl. Board Members present in person were Bob Buttke; David Granberg; Michelle Vo; Leah Fredericks and Dylan Rickert. Board Member Ben Byers was online. Board Member Todd Mickalson had an excused absence. Budget Committee members present in person were Brad Garrett; Presiding Officer; Rebecca Stewart, Vice Presiding Officer; Patrick Murphy; Todd Redfern and Krystina Robison. Budget Committee Member Dirk Iwata-Reuyl, participated virtually. Also present in person were Derek Fialkiewicz, Ed.D., Superintendent; Cindy Duley, Business Manager; Brie Windust, Business Office Assistant/ZOOM Moderator; Jeanne Swift, Assistant Superintendent/Student Services Director and Robin Lindeen-Blakeley, Deputy Clerk/HR Lead. NOTE: The minutes are prepared to coincide with time scheduled matters and the numbering system of the agenda and is not necessarily the actual order of happenings at the meeting.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Brad Garrett, Presiding Officer, called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

There were approximately five participants online and one patron/parent at the meeting.

2. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Brad Garrett, Presiding Officer, asked for nominations for Presiding Officer and Vice Presiding Officer.

Rebecca Stewart nominated Brad Garrett for Presiding Officer and Bob Buttke seconded. The vote was unanimous.

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Attachments: (1)

3. BUDGET CALENDAR REVIEW

Presiding Officer Garrett brought attention to the budget calendar dates and reviewed and noted the dates as attached in the agenda packet; including the May 13 date for TSCC, publication on June 7 and Public Hearing on the Budget, June 12.

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4. PRESENTATION OF BUDGET MESSAGE

Budget Officer - Derek Fialkiewicz, Ed.D. and Cindy Duley, Business Manager
Dr. Fialkiewicz noted that he has learned a bunch the last couple of months and shared his understanding and then gave the summary of the proposed budget message covering resources and requirements on pages 23-27, 30-37, 39-40, and 45.

We will be staying multi-age, except for 6th grade. We receive no small school funding.

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5. BUDGET COMMITTEE DISCUSSION – Ben Byers thanked Dr. Fialkiewicz for the narrative with budget pages and Ms. Duley. He had questions that carried over from the last meeting. On page 6, Beginning Fund Balance (BFB) at about \$ one million. What is our confidence in that number, since worried about Contingency and EFB at about 4%?

Dr. Fialkiewicz said after looking at last year's proposed, the General Fund (GF) is about \$600,000.00 less. About half is due to ESSER funds that didn't come through in 2023-24, and also now becomes higher Fund 03 (Federal).

Ms. Duley said that in addition to ESSER over the '22-'23 and '23-'24 years, we've tried to tighten because of the payment of coaches over the last two years for athletics, storm and boiler damage to plant operations and other unknowns, and the staff services HRA that exceeded budget projection costs.

Dr. Fialkiewicz added that the storm two years ago which added to maintenance costs in 2022-23 were not paid by insurance until 2023-24.

Ben Byers asked where insurance coverage would show up.

Ms. Duley said in 1960, Recovery Prior Yrs expenditure. (see Resources-Local Sources pages 30, 33) The numbers are most solid in payroll figures and projections, as object code expenditures in 01__ and 02__ make up about 80% of the GF budget. The other 20% of expenditures are estimated from projections for the rest of the year through June by the system and applying a 20-year average to make sense for category by category.

Dr. Fialkiewicz reflected that from last year to this year he is 100% more confident, with fixing of GF and Federal Funds, and staffing. He thanked Ben for helping shore up a better understanding of the documents.

Leah Fredericks asked what insurance to anticipate for next year.

Dr. Fialkiewicz suggested can't project yet, but decent and substantial expected.

Krystina Robison asked if budget narrative is stacked by your priorities/goals.

Dr. Fialkiewicz replied yes. Staff morale and student morale should be helped with money spent on upgrades and extra person for maintenance/facilities.

Ms. Swift suggested there are quarterly reports for School Based Mental Health (SBMH) and biggest portion due in the fall for constant check in with federal grant.

Krystina Robison asked if there is a staff morale survey.

Dr. Fialkiewicz said data from surveys in fall and spring are looked at by all administrators with comments to add beyond the Likert scale.

Patrick Murphy asked if technology is split out between facilities and use?

Dr. Fialkiewicz said it is all under technology, as Chris Wingler, Technology Director, is very good at staying within budget.

<https://policy.osba.org/corbett/D/DBD%20D1.PDF>

7:54 p.m.

6. AUDIENCE COMMENTS – Amy Ciecko, parent/patron, thanked CSD for including her emailed comment, and spoke to it in person.

Budget Committee discussion regarding equity of funding for athletics and extra-curricular with breakdowns for 1121-1122 and 1131-1132 program codes.

Ms. Duley added that 0130 is the object code for additional extra duty pay. Function code 1111.

Dr. Fialkiewicz reminded all that most extra duty pay is mandated through licensed CBA. Funds for each building where principals could do extra duty at their discretion.

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7. ADJOURNMENT – The Budget Committee was adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

7.1. Next Meetings: Wednesday, April 24

Wednesday, May 1 if necessary

Wednesday, June 12, 2024 Public Hearing on the Budget

All meetings are at 7:00 p.m. in the MPB/Gym at CMS / Via ZOOM

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