

North Bend School District #13 Budget Committee Meeting May 18, 2020

The Budget Committee of North Bend School District #13 met on May 18, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. via online Zoom meeting to deliberate on the 2020-21 Budget.

Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Budget Committee Chair Diana Schab.

2. Roll Call

Appointed members present: Bob Dillard, Mark Hadley, Dina Laskey, Ron Moore, Caryn Mickelson, Deb Reid and Diana Schab

Elected members present: Kurt Brecheisen, Eric Gleason, Spencer Gordon, Sami Pierson, Steven Ryan, Julianna Seldon and Kristina Simpson

Also in attendance: Superintendent Kevin Bogatin; Business Manager Sherri O'Connor; Board Secretary Cheri Schreiber

Appointed members absent: None Elected members absent: None

3. Agenda Changes / Approval of Agenda: Deb Reid moved to approve the agenda as presented. Bob Dillard seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.

4. Public Communications

Business Manager Sherri O'Connor read the one public comment that was received from North Bend Police Chief Kappelman, which stressed the importance of the School Resource Officer Program.

5. Question and Answer Document

A three-page question and answer document that was shared in the board packet was reviewed. The questions were previously submitted questions from the budget committee members.

6. Tiered Funding Reductions

Superintendent Bogatin shared tiered funding reduction plans which showed the impact of various state budget levels to the North Bend School District's General Fund.

It is unknown how the legislature will respond to the May 20 state revenue forecast (ie. use of Education Stability Fund, Rainy Day Fund, ending fund balance to offset revenue shortfalls) and the timing of a special legislative session. The most recent information is the special session may not convene until late June or July. The District's proposed budget includes full funding at \$9 billion for the state school fund, full funding of Measure 98 and full funding of Student Investment Account (SIA). Reductions to any of these sources of revenue will impact the District's General Fund. Information for budget levels I-4 was shared in the board packet.

7. Other Questions / Discussion

A question was asked about the timing of the budget adoption and can it be postponed until more information is available. The timeline requirements have not been waived for the budget approval and adoption process. Questions were also asked about using one time funds and cutting days next school year. No decisions have been made at this point. A question was asked about how the increased funding this school year for behavioral supports has helped? Tiffany Rush, the Director of Curriculum and Instruction and High School Principal Johnston shared about the new initiatives that were implemented and how data was captured to monitor. There was a question asking about the cost to run the district for one day. The Business Manager reported labor, benefits and transportation costs are approximately

\$80K per day from the General Fund. Furloughs for this current year were asked about and it was reported both of the unions were not in favor.

The consensus of the budget committee was to move forward with the current proposed budget in order to meet the required timelines.

8. Approval of Budget and Amount / Rate of Tax

Deb Reid moved to approve District 2020-21 budget at individual fund appropriation levels proposed as listed on page D-2, approve the permanent rate limit of \$4.1626 per \$1,000 for the General Fund and approve the amount of the tax levy for bonded indebtedness of \$1,257,303 in the Debt Service Fund. Bob Dillard seconded the motion which was approved unanimously.

9. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m. by consensus.