

HARVEY PUBLIC SCHOOLS DISTRICT 152  
Finance Committee Meeting Minutes  
Friday, November 7, 2014  
2:00 P.M.

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The meeting was called to order at 2:10 p.m.

Present at the meeting were: Board Members: Tyrone Rogers,

Administration: Dr. Kevin J. Nohelty, Dr. Denean Adams, Mr. Kreatha Lewis

**Purchase of Replacement Equipment and Vehicles**

The FY15 budget allocates \$75,000 for the replacement of two (2) aging maintenance vehicles and \$30,000 for the replacement of one (1) inoperable food service cargo van. The District will purchase the vehicles through the State of Illinois. The cost of the two new maintenance vehicles is \$73,208 and the cost of the new van is \$21,940.

**Disposal of Vehicles**

The administration shared the list of vehicles that need to be disposed of because they are beyond their useful life and they are of diminutive value. The committee recommended donating them to not-for-profit organizations located in Harvey.

**Purchase of District Computers**

The administration presented three options to replace computers that are 8-10 years old in preparation for the PARCC assessment next spring. Option 1 was recommended by the committee as it will have the greatest impact to our children and provide them with the much needed access to technology. The cost of Option 1 is \$192,291 for 255 computers and is included in the budget.

**Paper Bid**

The district is soliciting copier paper bids. The bids are due on Tuesday, November 11 at 10:00 a.m. and the recommendation of the lowest responsible bidder will be presented to the Board for their consideration on Monday, November 17, 2014.

**Tax Levy 2014**

The 2013 Consumer Price Index (CPI) is 1.5% and the Tax Levy represents an increase of 1.5% over the prior year final tax extension. The Tax Levy will be presented to the Board on November 17 for final adoption.

**Purchase of Electricity**

A representative from the Illinois Energy Consortium (IEC) presented information to the committee on purchasing electricity through the consortium. The District is currently a member of IEC and purchases natural gas from them at a discounted rate. The administration will seek competitive rates from additional companies and present the information to the Board for their consideration in December.

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**RFP's**

COPIERS: The District received six (6) competitive proposals for copiers. After a thorough review of the proposals, two companies will be selected for interviews and a recommendation will be made to the Board for their consideration in December.

DEMOGRAPHIC STUDY: STR, on behalf of the Board, received two proposals for the demographic study. The recommendation was for Dr. John Kasarda, an internationally known expert in the field. The cost of the proposal is \$8500.

<b>Action Items for Recommendation:</b>
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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Approve the purchase of two maintenance vehicles \$73,208</li><li>2. Approve the purchase of one van \$21,940</li><li>3. Approve the disposal of five (5) district owned vehicles to not-for-profit organizations in Harvey</li><li>4. Approve the purchase of 255 new computers for \$192,291</li><li>5. Approve the proposal for the Demographic Study to Dr. John Kasarda in the amount of \$8,500</li></ol> |
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Next Finance Committee Meeting is December 5, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 3:21 P.M.