FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

This meeting was held remotely via Google Meet August 14, 2023 at 8:15 a.m.

Members in Attendance: Chad Wolff, Jamie Bente, John Bellingham, Roxanne Hill, Scott Gerdes, Jason Engbrecht, Stacy Fox, Dave Campbell, Joel Olson, Meghan Knutson and Brett Martindale.

Other in Attendance: Janet Lewis Muth, Zach Pruitt, Rob Dehnert

Members Absent: Richard Olson

This meeting was called to order at 8:15 a.m.

I. Business Items

a. Motion by to approve John Bellingham the minutes from the July 17, 2023 Finance Committee Meeting, second by Roxanne Hill. Motion passed.

II. Contracts, Agreements, Bids and Grants for Review

- a. Approval of a Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services Teacher for the 2023-2024 school year: Mr Dehnert presented a need that was created when Shane Gunderson moved to AD. This is a contract position from Northfield. Motion to approve by Mr. Wolff. Second by by Mr. Campbell. Motion passed.
- b. Approval of the 2023-2024 Health Finders Collaborative memorandum of understanding (MOU): Mr Dehnert presented two benefits of partnering with Health Finders. First, moving from Fernbrook to Heath Finders for mental health for students. Second, they will provide chemical health services. Both of these benefits will be funded through grants. Motion to approve by Mr. Olson, seconded by Mr. Campbell. Motion passed.
- c. Approval of three Community School Coordinators for the 2023-2024 school year: Mr Pruitt presented that the district received an award for at least 3 years but is hoping this grant will carry on to 6 years without having to reapply. This grant will allow the creation of community schools at all buildings funded by the grant. Motion to approve by Mr. Bellingham, seconded by by Mr. Bente. Motion passed.
- d. Approval of a RISE Program Manager for the 2023-2024 school year: Mr Pruitt presented a need to expand the program to serve 300 students at the high school level to support students at risk of not graduating and to get them back on track. Motion to approve by Mr. Wolff, seconded by Ms Hill. Motion carried.
- e. Approval of an additional Kindergarten teacher at Roosevelt for the 2023-2024 school year: Mr Bente announced that the Kindergarten student numbers did not drop off as expected. Roosevelt is in need of another teacher to keep the number

of students per class to around 20. Motion to approve by Mr. Olson, seconded by Mr Bellingham. Motion carried.

III. Financial Performance

- a. FY2023 ADM Student Counts: Mr Gerdes presented ADM as of July 29, 2023. We budgeted the year at 3223 ADM. As of July 29th we are at 3243 ADM which is 20 ADM over budget.
- b. July 2023 Investment Report: Mr Gerdes presented that the investments dropped by 1.5 million but this was expected and not a surprise.
- IV. Financial Strategies
 - a. None
- V. Next Meeting Monday September 18, 2023 at 7:30 am.
- VI. Motion by Mr. Campbell to adjourn the meeting, second by Mr. Olson . Meeting adjourned at 8:39 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Brett Martindale