Beaver Dam Unified School District Board of Education Minutes

Accountability Committee Meeting

March 27, 2017

A meeting of the Accountability Committee of the Beaver Dam Unified School District Board of Education was held on the above date at the Educational Service Center at 5:30 p.m. Board members present: Bev Beal-Loeck, Jim Jansen, Marge Jorgensen, John Kraus, Jr., Laura Lerwick, Lisa Panzer, Chad Prieve, Gary Spielman, and Joanne Tyjeski. Administration present: Crystal Bates, High School Principal, John Casper, Middle School Principal, Mark DiStefano, Director of Human Resources, Sandra Garbowicz, Director of Teaching and Learning, Sarah Oudenhoven, Elementary Summer School Coordinator, Steve Vessey, Superintendent and Anne-Marie Woznicki, Director of Business Services.

Ms. Oudenhoven, Mr. Casper, and Ms. Bates shared information regarding the Summer School programs. Elementary, Middle School and some High School courses will run June 5 – July 20 with no school from July 3-6. The High School will run credit recovery courses from May 30 – June 30 and conditioning and strengthening from June 5 – August 4. All Elementary Summer School courses will be located at Prairie View Elementary School and Middle School courses at the Middle School. The High School will hold classes at the Don Smith Learning Academy, with conditioning and strengthening at Lincoln Elementary School.

Ms. Woznicki provided the committee with a financial year-to-date update. She reviewed the status of revenues and expenditures, which are on target. Specific areas of spending are being monitored and spending will continue to be tracked. The district has seen significant cost increases over last year in snow removal and salting. The next update will be in May with possible recommendations for expenditures at that time.

Ms. Woznicki explained that, as part of the referendum bond financing plan, the next bonds are scheduled to be issued in May, requiring board approval in April. The bonds will be non-bank qualified general obligation bonds in the amount of \$31.905 million. The final bond issue will be in April 2018. The bond issue will need to be approved at the April Board meeting.

Mr. Casper provided an update on the Middle School schedule for 2017-18. He highlighted some of the course changes and shared the daily schedule. The scheduling team at the middle school is recommending all classes are scheduled for 46 minutes next year.

Mr. DiStefano reviewed a list of staff handbook changes his department is working on. The proposed changes reflect practices in the district that are currently inconsistent with handbook language. Two items were tabled to be brought back to the Board's committee after further work: support staff make-up time that results from an emergency closure and practice of awarding staff additional leave time for extra subbing duties.

The next Accountability Committee meeting is scheduled for April 17th.

Minutes submitted by Bev Beal-Loeck, Committee Chair.