

**Beaver Dam Unified School District
Board of Education Minutes**

Accountability Committee Meeting

July 20, 2015

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, Laura Lerwick, Lisa Panzer, Chad Prieve, and Gary Spielman. Administration present: Bob Avery, Director of Business Services, Mark DiStefano, High School Principal, and Steve Vessey, Superintendent.

Mr. Avery presented a preliminary (pending audit) report for the end of the 2014-2015 fiscal year. A deficit of \$105,000 is currently projected. Revenues were \$200,000 over budget, mostly due to federal Medicaid reimbursements from previous years. Expenditures were over budget by approximately \$550,000, of which \$515,000 was personnel. Within this, nearly \$170,000 was the result of overages in substitute costs.

With the change in school performance reporting, the format of the administrative meeting with the board changed to 2-3 schools reporting on their School Learning Objectives (SLOs). Previous meetings were too topical and not in depth enough. The board is interested in the new format that will tie the reports into the state mandated reporting process and give the board specific information related to this new process. The potential date for the meeting is Monday, October 5 at 5:30 p.m.

The board and City collaboration meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 23 at 9 a.m. at City Hall. The goal is to agree on a schedule of meetings to share with them and they to share with the board. The board collaboration meeting with county representatives is scheduled for July 28th at 11:00 a.m. at the Educational Service Center. Mr. Vessey will present the district's strategic plan.

Mr. Avery presented the outcomes of the Request for Proposal process for lease financing for technology and safety/security upgrades. He recommended to accept the quote from Horicon State Bank and Banker's Bank. Horicon State Bank's proposal had the lowest cost over the term of the leases.

The next Accountability Committee meeting will be August 17th.

Minutes submitted by Bev Beal-Loeck, Committee Chair.