Beaver Dam Unified School District Board of Education Minutes

Accountability Committee Meeting

February 16, 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, Marge Jorgensen, John Kraus, Jr., Laura Lerwick, Lisa Panzer, Chad Prieve, Gary Spielman, and Joanne Tyjeski (arrived at 6:15 p.m.). Administration present: Bob Avery, Director of Business Services, Sandra Garbowicz, Director of Teaching and Learning, and Steve Vessey, Superintendent.

Mr. Vessey updated the committee on the Bullying and Mistreatment Prevention Advisory Group. The group identified common language as a large issue, along with anonymous ways of reporting and placing information on the District's website for education. The education piece should be completed prior to implementing the use of anonymous forms.

The School-Age Parent Program (SAPAR) continuation cost for day care is \$50,000. There are 6-9 students in the program and a second aide is required when there are more than 5 infants. The program began with expectation that students would apply for county subsidy. The amount varies and students have not been successful completing the paperwork for at least 10 years. The committee received a proposal to require the paperwork in order to use the day care and then reevaluate it next year. Additional considerations are liability, State requirements, and the impact on district revenues if students drop out. The consensus of the committee was that data is needed to make an informed decision.

Mr. Avery presented the budget-to-actual update as of January 31st. The District has spent 55.3% of the budget and realized 34.6% of revenues. Compared to last month, the District's position has improved relative to last year, when it was at 55.8% of budgeted expenditures. Based on the current trend, a year-end deficit of \$700,000 is forecast. However, a budget freeze will be effective on February 20th. Once the costs of needed goods and services for the remainder of the fiscal year are identified through encumbrances, a more precise year-end projection can be made.

The next Accountability Committee meeting will be March 30th.

Minutes submitted by Lisa Panzer, Committee Chair.