Beaver Dam Unified School District Board of Education Minutes

Accountability Committee Meeting

March 30, 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, John Kraus, Jr., Laura Lerwick, Lisa Panzer, Chad Prieve, Gary Spielman, and Joanne Tyjeski. Bob Avery, Director of Business Services, Sharon Bliefernicht, Director of Human Resources, Mark DiStefano, High School Principal, and Steve Vessey, Superintendent.

Mr. Avery presented an update of the district's financials as of March 23. The current projected deficit has decreased from \$700,000 in January to an estimated \$500,000 in March. A detailed year-end projection will be presented at the April committee meeting. The next budget to actual report will be presented in May, using information as of April 30.

After exchanging communications with the mayor, Mr. Vessey reported that the city is not ready for an all council/all board meeting. The mayor prefers for a committee of council members to meet with a committee of the board. In addition, a new council will be seated April 21, after the election. A committee meeting may happen in June. Mr. Vessey will look at other models of these types of meetings to help guide a structure for the meeting and continue to communicate with the mayor. Board members suggested that a district presentation of the district's strategic plan would be beneficial where elected officials from all the municipalities would be invited. The suggestion was to schedule this in July or August.

Mr. Avery reported that grounds protocols have been developed and are being implemented this spring. In addition to the new protocols, the district is planning to completely redo the playgrounds and landscaping at one school each year.

Board members from the High School Needs Study Committee shared that the district met with Plunkett Raysich Architects (PRA) to discuss the planning and work process for the high school needs assessment study. PRA will present an update to the full board at a workshop on May 4.

The next Accountability Committee meeting will be April 20th.

Minutes submitted by Lisa Panzer, Committee Chair.