Beaver Dam Unified School District Board of Education Minutes

Accountability Committee Meeting

May 19, 2014

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: Bob Avery, Director of Business Services, Sharon Bliefernicht, Director of Human Resources and Steve Vessey, Superintendent.

Mr Avery presented a budget update. The current projection is the district will end the year with a 2% deficit. The deficit is due to a variety of circumstances, including increased utility costs, HVAC issues, water main breaks and snow removal costs. In addition, there were increased personnel costs, information technology maintenance costs, and other smaller variances that all added to the projected deficit. He will continue to update the numbers and provide more information in a weekly update.

He recommended for 2014-15, the budget model be adjusted to reflect actual experiences in 2013-14 so that if any of the items above become cyclical, that they do not lead to a systemic deficit moving forward. He explained that a budget wouldn't be presented at this meeting so that these variables can be accounted for.

The next Accountability Committee meeting will be June 23rd.

Minutes submitted by Jim Jansen, Committee Chair.