



Glen Ellyn School District 41

Dr. Jack Barshinger, Superintendent

**MINUTES – Revised 3/21/06
BOARD OF EDUCATION
FINANCE AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING
March 21, 2006 – 6:00 P.M.
DISTRICT 41 ADMINISTRATION CENTER
ROOM 103**

**Present: Kevin Cosgrove, Kris Monn, Steve Vondrak, Stacey Puccini,
Brian Kronewitter**

I. FY07 Budget

Kris Monn stated that the 2006-2007 Program Plan was presented at the March 20, 2006 Board meeting. Direction was requested of further steps in the program plan. Kevin Cosgrove responded that the mood of the Board was that they were still very excited about the opportunity for curricular improvement and that the program plan should not prevent that from happening. The next phase of the budget process is for the Finance and Facilities Committee to see an initial draft of the budget for the April 17, 2006 Board Meeting.

II. Capital Projects Update

Kris Monn gave a verbal update of the 2006 Summer Capital Projects. The projects are currently being reviewed by contractors with a bid date of April 4, 2006.

Steve Vondrak asked for an updated list of projects that are being considered. Kris Monn answered that the list remains the same, though in reality the district knows that certain projects will not be able to be funded. A discussion of the Americans with Disabilities Act provisions concerning the Central Services Office then occurred.

III. Policy Update

At the request of John Marcheschi, the Finance and Facilities Committee reviewed a draft revision of Board Policy 4:10 AP, the Budget Timeline. The added sections include the addition of long-term operational projections into the policy. Specifically, the draft adds a review of long-term



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operational assumptions to October and a confirmation of those assumptions in December.

The underlying intent of the policy revision is to address the lack of a long-term budgeting and levying process, and to approach a system that creates a tax levy based on actual projected needs rather than a balloon levy. Balloon tax levies are hard to explain to the public and contradict the zero-based process the district uses in the annual budget.

(A break was taken at 6:20 PM to allow Kevin Cosgrove an opportunity to participate in a Special Board Meeting. During this time Steve Vondrak presented a sample financial analysis and report from Community High School District 99 in Downers Grove. Kris Monn agreed that it was an excellent example of a great deal of financial information in a concise manner and that District 41 had been developing a similar financial page and thanked Mr. Vondrak for his contribution. Steve Vondrak also questioned the district's monthly enrollment summary that showed ten (10) children in Lincoln's Bilingual class when the State number is 20. Kris Monn said he would investigate the discrepancy.)

IV. Construction Management RFQ Status (6:30)

Kris Monn gave a verbal status update on the Construction Management RFQ. The RFQ was released on March 3rd and a pre-proposal meeting was held on March 17, 2006. Approximately 18 people representing nine firms attended. The administration was thrilled with the turnout. The proposals are due on March 31, 2006. After that, the Finance and Facilities Committee will review the proposals and select three to four finalists. A full presentation from the finalists will be scheduled with the whole Board with a projected decision date of April 17, 2006. Kevin Cosgrove hinted that the current Superintendent's Search may likely delay the process due to extra meetings for Board members.

Brian Kronewitter and Stacey Puccini from Mortensen Construction were in attendance to introduce themselves to the Committee and ask further questions.

V. AFSCME Negotiations – Status Update



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Kris Monn stated that Interest Based Bargaining training had taken place that afternoon and negotiations would soon follow.

VI. Next Meetings

A. Next meeting: Thursday, April 6, 2006, 6:00 PM

VII. Adjourn 6:50 PM