

School Board Operations Committee
OE Gray Professional Learning Center – IMC
November 13, 2017 – 6:30 PM
Minutes

Membership: Brian Miesen
Nancy Bongers
Josh Grabandt
Colleen McCabe-abs
Connie Valenza
Kristoffer Brown

Minutes

Minutes from the October 9, 2017 meeting were accepted.

Consent Agenda Items on Board Agenda

Superintendent Valenza discussed the consent agenda items. Items on the consent agenda for tonight's school board meeting include the following routine items:

- Board minutes (10-9-17)
- October 2017 Financial Report
- Resignation of a Special Education Teacher @ semester – Tom Ingwell. There was discussion on replacement issues/concerns.
- Hire of Special Education Assistant @ WV – Charity Baxter
- Second semester PE Intern – Quinn Cappetta. Superintendent Valenza also briefly discussed a possible request for a music intern to assist the elementary music.
- Co-curricular hire for Girls Assistant HS Basketball coach – Rebecca Lowe. Superintendent Valenza explained that this position will assist the JV and Varsity teams as well as help maintain numbers at the middle school. This year we do not have a freshmen girls' team due to lack of numbers.
- Co-curricular hire for Boys' Assistant Freshmen Basketball coach – Jason Weittenhiller.
- Approval of a Gymnastics volunteer coach – James Howard. Too many stations without adequate supervision. James is USA Gymnastics Safety certified.

Operation/Discussion Items

Kristoffer Brown discussed short term borrowing and explained the possible need due to cash flow (possible shortfall in November and possibly in June). He presented a recommended resolution to be taken to the full board at tonight's board meeting. The resolution reads: To authorize the Platteville School District to borrow an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000.00 at an annual interest rate of 1.85% for up to 8 months for the purposes of cash flow to cover operational expenses for the 17-18 school year.

Mr. Brown explained how short term borrowing could happen each year. He also noted that we don't pay interest on the amount not used. Interest only accrues when we use it – which is usually only for about 2 weeks until payments are received. Committee members asked if a longer line of credit was possible-3 year instead of requesting yearly). Members were in agreement to take the recommended resolution to the full board.

Superintendent Valenza shared the Notice of School Board Election that is to be published in the paper this November. Terms up for election are Steve Obershaw, Colleen McCabe and Vikki Peterson. Committee members briefly discussed possible candidates.

School Board Convention was briefly discussed. Members are to let Lynne know if they are going so reservations can be made by early December.

Other Items

Superintendent Valenza checked with the board members that would be in attendance for the November 27th Community Outreach and Policy Committee meeting. We may need to post differently due to the number of members in attendance.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 6:36 pm

Recorded by Lynne Tanner