

School Board Operations Committee
OE Gray Professional Learning Center – IMC
January 9, 2017 – 5:30 PM
Minutes

Membership: Brian Miesen
Heather Connolly
Josh Grabandt
Connie Valenza
Kristoffer Brown

I. Minutes

- Minutes from the December 12, 2016 meeting were accepted.

II. Consent Agenda

Superintendent Valenza presented the consent agenda items and asked for questions or clarifications.

Items on the consent agenda for tonight's school board meeting include:

- Board minutes (12-12-16)
- December 2016 Financial Report
- Personnel Changes:
 - Co-Curricular resignation (HS BB Cheer Coach)

III. Operation/Discussion Items

1. Transportation Contract Extension:

Superintendent Valenza opened discussion on the Transportation Contract Extension to 5 years. Overall there haven't been very many concerns. Shuttles are working much better this year. Easy fixes have been taken care of in a timely manner. Two cameras have been installed on each bus. Discipline doesn't seem to be an issue as much as before. Warco is very responsive to any suggestions we have had. Superintendent Valenza stated that the communication with Warco on weather related days is also very good.

Kris Brown will contact Warco regarding lists of the routes and the riders (quarterly count). More information is needed on stats, route times, etc. Also, appropriate size car seats are needed.

Added language may need to be added to the contract regarding the addition of large capacity buses if the need arises due to enrollment.

Superintendent Valenza recommends extending the contract. Committee members agreed. Warco is a good company to work with.

2. Committee Update:

Operation Committee members were in agreement that the committee seems to be working well. They all like the schedule of the meetings prior to each school board meeting.

Superintendent Valenza stated that the other committees are working and moving forward. Overall, the three committee meetings are going well.

3. Future Board Agenda Items:

The school budget will be a large part of the upcoming meetings. The committee members discussed the Governor's Budget and the implications it may have on our district.

Superintendent Valenza discussed our 4K and open enrollment. We would like to see higher numbers in the lower grades.

The Westview gymnasium was discussed. The gym is such a great addition and it works great for the elementary students. Hoping that the lingering construction dust will be non-issue soon.

Superintendent Valenza briefly updated the members on our short term borrowing and construction. Warranty work for the first year is with Kraemer Brothers. After the first year, we will need to work with individual contractors if issues arise.

V. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 6:47 pm

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