

**Meeting:** ECASD Budget Development Committee

**Date:** June 25, 2020

**Time:** 2:00p.m. – 3:30p.m.

**Location:** Webex/Online

**Attendees:**

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Aaron Harder*	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lori Bica	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Phil Lyons	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Abby Johnson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dr. Hardebeck	<input type="checkbox"/> Jim Schmitt	<input type="checkbox"/> Kay Marks	<input type="checkbox"/> Kim Koller

\* Committee Chair

**Guests:** Mike Johnson

The regular meeting of Budget Development was called to order by Abby Johnson at 2:04 p.m. on June 25, 2020. Quorum was met.

**Notes:** Marisa Anton

**1. Public Comment**

- No public present wished to comment at this time.

**2. Approval of Previous Minutes**

- The minutes from June 18<sup>th</sup> were reviewed.

Lori Bica made a motion to approve the June 18, 2020 minutes. The motion was seconded by Aaron Harder. Vote was unanimous.

**3. Elect a Committee Chair**

- Lori Bica nominated Aaron Harder for Committee Chair
- Aaron Harder accepted the Nomination

Lori Bica made a motion to accept Aaron Harder as the Committee Chair. Vote was unanimous.

**4. Referendum Survey Results**

- Dr. Hardebeck shared the presentation for the referendum survey results that was shared with the School Board on June 1, 2020 and how it will impact the Board work going forward this year. This presentation included more in-depth information from the survey feedback for Budget Development to discuss.
- The group noted the references to COVID that played a role in how people answered the survey questions and the needs that it exposed for the District.
- Dr. Hardebeck talked about the previous referendums successful projects being completed. The Board must go out to tell the District story and why there are these specific needs as well as about funding in Wisconsin and how it plays a role in our students' success.

**5. Ad Hoc Committee Charge**

- Abby explained how Budget Development got to needing an Ad Hoc Committee with experts across the District who specialize in certain topics given by Budget Development.

- The Board approved the reconfiguration of the Holistic Committee to include parts of the new Ad Hoc Committee for Budget Development.
- Budget Development reviewed the sample charges they had from previous meetings and discussed how to move forward. They discussed that sometimes to have benefits added and to curb a large budget increase salary may need to hold on increases. There is one pot of money that these things come from and they should be looked at as a combination of things, not individual items. They understood that we are in a tight spot and we need to have these tough conversations with employees so that everyone understands.
- Abby noted that we are anxiously awaiting the July 1 aid estimate to see what the next year could look like. The changes that have been happening due to the pandemic could potentially require the District to sharpen the pencil or it could potentially leave us okay. There are so many unknowns and questions to answer yet.
- The group discussed the importance of the makeup of the Ad Hoc Committee and the overlay with the Holistic Committee.

#### **ACTION ITEM(S)**

- Abby will bring a budget presentation with the July aid estimate
- Bring this item back for another discussion after Abby knows about the budget situation

#### **6. Future Agenda Items**

- 2020 Budget Update
- Ad Hoc Committee
- More information is wanted about Jim's technology 1:1 presentation... previous referendum was in support of technology infrastructure, but not devices, this time it seems the opposite. Trying to find the cons of 1:1 device purchase. Looking for a percentage of districts that are 1:1. What are plans to address the technology expirations all coming at one time if we make a large purchase at this time.
- Exploring the difficulties in what the learning model will be in the fall and how do we handle a budget and being fiscally responsible, while keeping people safe.

Phil Lyons moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Lori Bica. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 3:35p.m.