

WORK SESSION MINUTES

Nine Budget Committee members met in a work session on Thursday, January 17, 2019.

WELCOME – Zach Bessett

Board Chair Zach Bessett called the Springfield Board of Education Budget Committee work session to order in the Board Room of the District Administration Center at 6:00 p.m.

Attendance

Budget Committee Members present were Board Chair Zach Bessett, Board Vice Chair Emilio Hernandez, Laurie Adams, Nancy Cameron, Michelle Webber, Naomi Raven, Ken Kohl, Keina Wolf, and John Svoboda.

District staff and community members identified included Superintendent Bruce Smolnisky, David Collins, Jenna McCulley, Brett Yancey, Sheryl Cramer, Brian Megert, Suzy Price, Jeff Michna, Judy Bowden, Anne Goff, Don Lamb, Kim Donaghe, Whitney McKinley, Joan Bolls, Laura Pavlat, Gary Cole, Melissa Stalder, Brenda Holt, Chad Towe, Kevin Ricker, Heather Murray, Laura Scruggs, Kathy Savelich.

Handouts available were: Textbook Adoption and Purchasing Update, Springfield Public Schools Measure 98 Summary (207/18 – 2020/21), 2015/16 Staff Feedback (For 2016/17 budget), “Dot-Storming Activity” 2016/17 Staff Feedback regarding Budget Investments (for 2017/18 budget)

II. OREGON LEGISLATIVE UPDATE WITH Q & A – REPRESENTATIVE JOHN LIVELY AND SENATOR LEE BEYER (The meeting moved to Agenda Item III., sub category B. then returned to this item after that point.)

Brian Megert arrived at 6:20.

III. COMMITTEE REQUESTS & INFORMATION

a. Measure 98 update

David Collins

(The meeting moved past this item to sub category b. then came back to a. after the State Representative and Senator spoke.)

b. Measure 99 update

David Collins and Whitney McKinley

Whitney McKinley shared an update of the Measure 99 Outdoor School Program, and the state goal for participation.

- Springfield Public Schools Outdoor School Program Background
- Funding Model
- Estimated Allocations 2018-19
- 2018-19 Program Requirements

Kevin Ricker was introduced and assisted with questions posed.

(Return to Agenda Item II.) **OREGON LEGISLATIVE UPDATE WITH Q & A – REPRESENTATIVE JOHN LIVELY AND SENATOR LEE BEYER**

Brett Yancy introduced Representative John Lively and Senator Lee Beyer who gave information on the State government’s current session and what can be expected on the local level in shares of the government budget. Rep. Lively shared current discussions in the State Legislature

- Springfield should receive at least the previously discussed amounts.
- Legislature would like to increase that amount, possibly from \$2 billion – \$3.5 billion/biennium
- General Fund – Health Care and Human Services areas
- PERS: 900+ employers involved

Sen. Beyer stated he is now a member of the Joint Student Success Committee (JSSC), and described goals and discussions in the legislature.

- Budget process for funding Education
- Decisions on budget expenditures are made by JSSC
- Climate and reduction in carbon
- Changes made this biennium must last more than one biennium

(Return to Agenda Item III.)

a. Measure 98 update

David Collins

Mr. Collins turned the meeting over to Dr. Ricker who introduced Melissa Stalder. Dr. Ricker went over the information and details from the *Measure 98 Summary*.

- Career And Technical Education
- College-Level Educational Access or Opportunities
- Drop-out Prevention Strategies
- Facilities
- Administration
- Middle to High School Transition

Dr. Ricker answered questions from the Board members.

Chair Bessett requested that a tour be put together for the Board Members.

c. Textbook adoption & purchasing update Whitney McKinley

d. Review of prior years' input Brett Yancey

- Collection of feedback & input (handout)
- 2016/17 Additions:
 - \$400,000 Mental Health Support
 - 12 FTE Certified Positions for classroom support
 - 16 FTE Special Education EA's
 - \$1Million Curriculum Materials
 - 25% increase in school based supplies

2017/18 Budget Adjustments:

- 12 FTE Certified Positions for classroom support
- PERS reserve = \$1,000,000
- Transfer to technology fund = \$500,000
- Building renovation allocation = \$500,000
- Replacement school furniture = \$440,000
- VER contribution = \$275,000
- Additional mental health support = \$275,000
- Equity Training & profession development = \$150,000
- Dual language equipment, materials & building revisions = \$70,000 (Guy Lee)
- 1.0 FTE District receptionist = \$50,000
- Yolanda/Douglas Garden repair design = \$40,000

- 2018/19 Budget Additions:
 - 1.0 FTE District nurse (offset by reduced reserve position)
 - 3.5 FTE transportation staffing
 - 3.0 facilities/custodial staffing
 - 1.5 FTE administrative staff (1.0-A3, 0.5 Technology)
 - \$100,000 Transportation trip cost increase
 - \$133,000 Co-curricular increase
 - 5% insurance increase
 - 5% utility expense increase
- 2018/19 Budget Reductions
 - 5.0 FTE certified staff due to enrollment decrease
 - 2.0 FTE administrative reduction (bond-related)
 - Technology Fund transfer elimination (\$500,000)
 - Reduction in Voluntary Early Retirement transfer(\$250,000)
 - Facility improvement reductions (\$42,000 – Dual Immersion \$500,000 STEAM allocation \$440,000 furniture allocation)
 - Elimination of A3 Charter School (net changes = \$262,000)

IV. BEGINNING ASSUMPTIONS FOR 2019-20 – BRETT YANCEY

- Revenue based on Governor’s recommended budget (not including investment)
- Any adjustment shall be in support of Board/District goals:
 - Goal 1: Promote growth and success for every student
 - Goal 2: Support families so that every student is prepared to learn
 - Goal 3: Provide personalized learning opportunities for every student
 - Goal 4: Create safe and future ready facilities
 - Goal 5: Advocate for funding and policies that support education
- OSEA Collective Bargaining Year 2 provisions
- Competitive, affordable allocation for SEA collective bargaining and SAAC confer/consult, including multi-year consideration
- 3.5% PERS rate increase
- Staffing levels “rolled over” from current year budget, adjusted for enrollment changes
- 10% increase in co-curricular budget support
- 5% increase in property/auto/liability insurance
- 5% increase in utilities (only a place holder)
- Adjustment in school based supplies, based on projected enrollment
- \$100,000 decrease in VER contribution (based on actuary)
- \$1,000,000 continued contribution to PERS liability
- \$1,000,000 continued contribution to textbook purchases

V. QUESTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS/REQUESTS – BRETT YANCEY

Mr. Yancey addressed questions brought forth by the Board Members.

The Budget Committee work session scheduled for February 21 poses a conflict and will be rescheduled.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Mr. Bessett adjourned the meeting at 7:55 pm.