

**Prudential Committee Minutes of January 16, 2005  
Summit St. School**

**Board Members Present:** Dan Overton, Beth Ward, Linda Waite-Simpson, Kevin Barber, Marla Durham

**Administrators Present:** Mike Deweese, Judith Prince, Brian Donahue, Ed Wilkens,

**Meeting called to order at 6:40pm by Dan Overton**

**Visitors to be heard:**

Dave Zehnacker: Spoke on the reduction of  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a Phys Ed position. He is concerned about safety, supervision, and adequate education for students in these classes with large numbers.

Victoria Nelly: Spoke about large class size and the effect they have on education. Kids in larger class are not getting the same teaching as others.

Diane Clemens: Spoke about the reduction in PE and encouraged the board to not cut back in this area. She would like us to look at this on Wed January 18.

**07 budget work session**

- **Parks and Rec**
  - Significant Changes
    - Salaries
      - Addition of a landscaper/field manager
      - Pool staffing increase for additional pre-season training time
      - Youth programs increasing
      - Additional programs in Adult leisure
    - Benefits
      - Health benefits are increasing by 8%
    - Professional services
      - Additional cleaning service
      - Increase in IT service
      - Seasonal Maintenance person
    - Other services
      - Dedicated T1 replacing existing DSL
    - Supplies
      - Modest increase primarily to assist with field management
    - Equipment
      - Decreasing do to the tractor purchase in FY2006
    - Dues and Fees

- Long-term interest is stepping down on the Maple St Pool and Facility bond

#### Tax Impact

- Budget \$1,133,706
- Property taxes \$575,700
- Tax Rate \$0.0921
- Capital Add-on \$.01
- Resulting Tax Rate \$0.1021

#### **SCHOOL DISTRICT:**

Brian Donahue and Judy Prince reviewed board guidance of level program, current enrollment, and class size

There was discussion about class size being an average and not an exact maximum number. The board talked about revisiting this in the near future.

There was discussion on the PE numbers and if there is a safety concern with 25 being the average number of students in classes. The board will revisit this on Wednesday January 18<sup>th</sup>

#### **Overview of changes for next year**

- Move 8 paraeducator positions into the regular education budget to maintain current interventions
- Implement a safety allocation for incoming students
- Shift Behavior Specialist from 1 to .6 with a change in assignment to .4 Special Educator at Fleming
- Shift interventionist allocation from Fleming to EEE

#### **Act130**

FY2007 will be a transition year

FY2008 Full implementation

Brian Donahue explained this will have an impact on our budget, but all the answers are not in yet. Brian is speaking with the state and hopes to have some answers for Wednesday. He does not anticipate having complete answers.

#### **Budget overview**

- Proposed FY 06-07 \$14,626,523
- This year FY 05-06 \$13,932,879
- \$ increase \$693,644
- % increase 4.98%

## **Committee Reports**

### Unified Union Study Committee

- Talk on teacher contracts and how to make transition with contracts
- Park and rec subcommittee created to look at alternative “rec district” to help with separate function

### Legislative updates Mike Deweese

- Desert night well attended with a 1 ½ hour talk on issues
- DOE looking at a state wide calendar
  - Moving towards number of hours and not days

### Negotiations Dan Overton

- Had a prep meeting
- Meeting with teachers
- Another prep meeting coming up
- Optimistic

### Communication Linda Waite Simpson

- Draft of report will be brought on the 30<sup>th</sup>
- Awaiting results of the study

## **Annual Report**

Mike Deweese- Annual report represents about 120 man hours of time  
Would like to minimize annual report until communication report comes in

Concerns of board include- is there an expense, this may be the only communication w/  
some community members,

This will be something that will be discussed in the future and will be a item on the  
agenda at annual meeting.

### Recreation Update:

Brian Donahue presented

Rec capital plan has \$ in it to match town \$ for a skate park. The board  
would like to see this happen

### **Consent agenda:**

**Linda Waite-Simpson moved and Beth Ward seconded to approve the consent agenda including minutes from 12/12 (with corrections) approval of warrants, setting of FY 07 tuition rate, acceptance of financial award, and with the Resignation pulled.**

**Approved 5-0**

**Kevin Barber moved and Beth Ward seconded to enter Executive Session at 9:02pm to discuss a personal matter and negotiations**

**Approved 5-0**

Out of Executive Session 9:17pm

**Linda Waite-Simpson moved and Beth Ward seconded to waive policy as recommended and accept resignation with the contingency that a suitable replacement be found**

**Approved 5-0**

**Future Agenda items**

- Warn annual meeting
- Educational presentation Math and Science
- Budget

Meeting adjourned 9:19pm

Respectfully submitted

Kevin Barber, Clerk of the board