

Riverview School District
Study Session Minutes – January, 14, 2013
Central Office Conference Room 7:00 p.m

In attendance:

Margaret DiNinno, Arlene Loeffler, Dori Tompa, Ernie Tillman, Dave Kadylak, Frank Thompson, John Hackworth, Heidi Dolan, Lisa Ashbaugh, Lois Vitti, Maureen MClure, Jay Moser, Tiffany Nix, Jason Shoaf, Bob Dunkle.

Mr. Moser and Mrs. Ashbaugh shared the agenda items on the Student Life Committee agenda. (See Student Life committee minutes).

The following items were presented by Dr. DiNinno as potential motions for board consideration. These potential motion items were then discussed with the board.

- Approve leave (Jennifer Clontz)
- Ruth Alcorn (accept retirement)
- Potential Athletics; approval of coaches
- Approval of Education Committee Minutes (Lynn Black)
- First Energy Program (status) – Revenue Sharing Initiative (Frank Thompson)

Mrs. Ashbaugh indicated that the minutes from the evening's Student Life Committee meeting would be forthcoming and would also need approved.

Mr. Thompson shared information regarding the following items.

- Status of 2011-2012 Auditor's Report
- Plan Con – Part H – Status/Update
- Tax Assessments – update
- 2013-2014 Budget
 - Recommendation/Decision: Adopt resolution (January 21, 2013) NOT to raise taxes – OR – make Preliminary Budget Available for public inspection
 - Background / Considerations Related to Preliminary Budget:
 - 400+ outstanding appeals
 - 5% - Anti-windfall
 - Index = 2.1% X millage = .5+ (approximately \$210,000)
 - Increases likely in assessed values
 - New construction
 - 2013-2014 Estimated Revenues and Expenditures
 - 2013-2014 estimated beginning of fiscal year Fund Balance

- 2013-2014 estimated end of fiscal year Fund Balance
- Future / Budget Projections – Need to consider:
 - Capital Improvement or One-Time purchase considerations

Mr. Thompson facilitated a discussion and answered several questions for the board regarding the inclusion of a motion on next week's board agenda to not raise taxes above the index.

Mr. Thompson shared a budget balancing Dashboard with the board indicating that this was his first draft.

Mr. Thompson held a discussion with the board regarding the current Food Service Agreement explaining that the district's current contract with the Food Service Company will be in its final year during the 2013-2014 school year. Mr. Thompson indicated that after consultation with the district solicitor, no material changes were evident in the current contract and that the district and food service company will be signing an Attestation Statement, as per the PARRS website.

Peggy DiNinno reviewed the steps taken by the district to address and assess school safety over the past month. She shared details related to a walk-through conducted by a team of administrators and other employees, that took place on January 10th, with the district's architect. She also shared a summary of topics discussed during a meeting held with school employees who met with the Chief of Police from Verona and the Chief of Police from Oakmont to review and assess current school safety matters. She explained that the board will be provided with details related to the architect's assessment of safety matters related to the doors and entrances at Verner Elementary School at the next board meeting.

Peggy DiNinno then explained how the district is focusing on ways to add value to each student's educational experience through the collection and analysis of data and through responding to that data using a customized approach to instruction. The principals then shared mid-year building level Value Added Plans created to assist students.

Mrs. DiNinno reminded the board that next Monday's meeting would recognize each of them as part of the National School Board Recognition activities and will the evening would include taking a board photo.