

Finance Committee Minutes  
December 7, 2021 || 4:00 PM  
Keil Building – Third Floor Conference Room

**Members Present:** Todd Covault and Jeff Dase

**Members Absent:** Dan Oakes, Andrew Taylor, and Bobbi Williams

**Others Present:** Regan Lewis and Al Scheider

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM. The minutes from the November 9, 2021 meeting will be approved at the next meeting due to Robert's Rules of Order.

### **Transportation Amendment**

- Amendment to the Bus Contract with Alltown with updated transportation rates will be presented for recommendation of approval at the December 14<sup>th</sup> Board meeting
- Term of contract will increase by 10% allowing driver wages to increase by \$4 per hour from \$15 to \$19 per hour

### **Maintenance Contract Extension**

- The current maintenance contract provides that the maintenance department “owns the work”
- Memorandum of Understanding has been developed to align the work with an internal work force or external service providers through contractual bid documents
- Agreement extends the current contract through fiscal year 2026 and includes future wage increases
- Agreement provides an understanding of increased labor force as needed to support internal work
- Agreement will be presented for recommendation of approval at the December 14<sup>th</sup> Board meeting

### **Levy**

- Noteworthy changes from the tentative estimated levy submitted in November
  - Reduction in the IMRF request by \$200,000
  - Increase in the FICA/Medicare request by \$100,000
- Overall tax rate would decrease by approximately \$0.58

### **Robertson Charter School Contract**

- Covault updated the current Robertson Charter School contract and sent to Bishop Livingston
  - Waiting for response

### **Upcoming Bid Awards**

- The following will be presented for recommendation in January at the Board meeting:
  - Bid for Southeast Demolition
  - Bid for Stephen Decatur Middle School Bleachers

### **BLDD Projects - Changes**

- American Dreamer Gym
  - Started at 3 million; now sitting at 4 million
  - CARES funds will pay for addition
- Macarthur High School Bleachers
  - Project would be gutted and redone

### **Future Facility Planning**

- PreK Program – currently at Garfield Montessori Magnet School (GMMS) location
  - Need air conditioning if going to keep at GMMS
  - Baum is already air conditioned
- Macon-Piatt Special Education (MPSED) Program
  - A formal request was made by MPSED requesting their own building
  - Stevenson or Harris could be a possibility
  - Regional Office of Education is interested in Stevenson building
    - Stevenson needs Air conditioning

### **CARES Update**

- Grant has been submitted
- Next steps – wait for review

### **Property Acquisition**

- Andrew Chiligris (Macon County Title) is working on title searches for properties around Woodrow Wilson
- Scot Wrighton (Decatur City Manager) is confident that if the District wants to tear down Woodrow Wilson, it would be done within the next 2 – 3 months

Meeting adjourned at 4:40PM