

COLORADO SPRINGS SCHOOL DISTRICT 11
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DAAC Budget Committee

Wendy Chiado, Chairman
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Minutes

June 10, 2008
6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Wendy Chiado, Suzy Gingrich, John Leary, and Bob Miner

Ex Officio Members Present: Becky Kluck, Glenn Gustafson, and Becky Moore

Wendy opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. Discussion took place concerning the committee's recommendations and its role from the Board of Education's standpoint. The committee decided that better communication with the Board of Education is essential and will work towards that end in the future. Wendy reviewed how the presentation to the Board of Education took place on June 4, 2008.

Wendy suggested the committee may want to implement performance measures next year. John suggested making them a part of the routine budget process. He felt that some budgets did not really call for a review but the committee, after discussion, decided that every program could benefit from going through the base budget justification process.

Bob reminded the committee that in the past the committee had discussed having the district's auditor not only audit finances but operations as well. He had even spoken to two Board of Education members regarding this idea (Audit Committee). Bob felt that the auditor could be given this committee's concerns. Becky Kluck suggested making an on-going list to present to the audit committee.

At this time the committee approved the minutes from the May 6 meeting. Bob motioned for approval, Suzy seconded and the minutes were unanimously approved.

Review of the June modifications took place. Becky began with the resources, explaining the on-line education item and then described the instructional supply carryover amount. Becky discussed the Colorado Preschool Kindergarten Program (CPKP)-Full Day Kindergarten Program item informing the committee that new state statutes have moved this program from Fund 19 to the General Fund (Fund 10). Also discussed was the fund balance, both recurring and non-recurring.

Next for review were the June modifications expenditure requests for FY08/09. If an IBR had been submitted for a request, a copy was included in the handouts for this evening. Becky discussed the two ESP market adjustment IBRs. The on-line education IBR was included in the expenditures that had been discussed in the revenues. The Mitchell High School request to fund the construction of a career and technical education program was examined.

There was a long discussion of the Special Education requests and their FTE. Following, the athletics program IBR was discussed. At this point, the committee expressed concern over spending \$47,000 to implement a new athletic program at the middle schools when the group felt there were more urgent needs elsewhere. The committee voted 3-1 to move a portion of this IBR to priority 3.

The committee reviewed the middle school orchestra supplemental staffing, high school graduation costs subsidy and Tesla staffing requests. Becky examined the CPKP requests and how they related to the previous revenue discussion. The increase in supply carryover was discussed as previously mentioned in the revenues. Becky pointed out the change in Rtl sunsetted position to an Executive Director (Achievement and Accountability) position and told the committee how this came about. The Executive Director position had been a previous administrative budget cut. This change would in effect swap out the Rtl coordinator for the Executive Director of Student Achievement and School Accountability. Rtl responsibilities were to become the responsibility of these Executive Directors within two years but would be incorporated into their responsibilities now rather than later.

The three Priority 2 requests were examined by the committee as well as the Priority 3 requests. Most of the Priority 3 requests dealt with personnel

The committee discussed the mill levy legislation with Glenn. A short discussion about District 11's possibility of asking for another mill levy this fall from the voters took place. De-Brucing was also discussed.

Glenn complimented the entire committee on their hard work and efforts this year. He believed the Board of Education's comments and questions were a reflection of this compliment as well. He praised Wendy for her presentation to the Board of Education on June 4, 2008.

Another discussion about implementation of performance measures took place with Glenn. The administration will work towards helping the committee get this in place for next year.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m. with plusses and deltas.