Mill Levy Override Oversight Committee

MEETING NOTES
October 15, 2019
6:00-7:30 p.m.
Administration Building Boardroom

Members present: Deirdre Aden-Smith, Kenneth Davis, Jacqueline Dowds-Bennett, Stacey Fisher, Erin Hobson, Jane Morgan, Karen Petersilie, Ed Plute, Jan Rennie

Members absent: Cynthia Bernard, Jerry Carney, Joseph Ford, Chip MacEnulty, Bob Miner, Jay Smith, Vickie Tonkins, Debbie Williams, Daniel Yaciuk

Guests: Julie Ott (BOE)

Ex-Officio members present: Glenn Gustafson and Amber Hickman

Preliminary Items:

1. Welcome and Introductions

At 6:00 p.m. Dr. Plute welcomed all, and informed the committee that we are down one member, and November will be Dr. Plute’s last meeting as he is retiring and moving to Lakewood, CO.

2. Approval of the Agenda

The committee reviewed this evenings’ agenda and there was a motion to add agenda item #11 Discuss: Membership-Plute, after such the agenda was approved as is.


Mr. Reynolds presented the PowerPoint on Mr. McCarron’s behalf, his presentation encompassed both 2017 PIPs 6 and 7. The presentation included topics on, the 5 year plan for PIP 6, technology replacement cycles, and the staffing support ticket turnaround time for PIP 7. The presentation was embedded with questions which included, if they are receiving enough funding to operate efficiently, specifics on the 1:1 student devices program, if they are experiencing issues with theft, if they are considering the 1:1 program but for younger kids, bandwidth specifics, and school level decisions regarding the 1:1 program.

4. Review: 2017 MLO PIP 7: Technology Support Staff

Included in agenda item #3
5. **Approval of the Meeting Notes**

Dr. Plute called for a motion to approve the meeting notes from September 17th, and the minutes were unanimously approved with no changes.

6. **Monthly Financial Statement Update**

Mr. Gustafson reviewed the MLO financial statements for FY 18/19 Year End with the audited financial statements, and September 2019. His explanation on the end of the year statement included, roughly 10 million rolling into bond debt redemption, total amounts in the MLO fund, unspent allocations, rolling capital projects, and building up the bond reserve. The explanation on the September statement included, reviewing the statement by line item, and discussing the general fund subsidy in the near future.

**Action:**

**Non-Action Items:**

7. **Review: 2017 PIP 2: Teacher Compensation**

Mr. Gustafson began this review with a brief overview of the documents provided, which included the PIPs embeddedness into the salary schedule and the pre and post MLO salary schedule comparisons by program. The review was followed with questions which included, interest in the power earning report.

8. **Example: Tracked PIP Query**

Ms. Hickman began this example with comparing the September monthly statement 2017 MLO PIP 6 line item to the Query pulled from PeopleSoft. Ms. Hickman compared the two documents to show how we track MLO PIPs within PeopleSoft. The example was followed with questions with included, if we are able to add a column to the monthly statement to easily show if tracking is available.

9. **Discuss: Unallocated FDK Funds/Plan Amendment**

Mr. Gustafson’s discussion included, allocating $1.65 million of the unspent FDK monies to air conditioning(AC) an elementary school for FY 19/20, the one-time allocation will barely cover the whole anticipated AC project cost, the school is undecided at this time, the full allocation for FY 20/21 still needs to be determined, cabinet is considering pre and post school programs and instructional programs, and if approved this year’s allocation towards air conditioning will not be available until January. The discussion was embedded with questions which included, swamp cooler status, Denver schools AC plans, development of capital and academic plans occurring side by side, considering 0% bond measures, and current turn around school numbers.
10. **Discuss: MLO Review Follow-Up**

Mr. Gustafson began by reviewing the document provided which outlined the recommendations provided in the last MLO external audit. His discussion included how we start to implement these recommendations, communication strategies, updating the dashboard template, how to show alignment with the strategic plan, community outreach, MLO field trips, improving KPIs, and generating good press. The discussion was embedded with questions which included, forming 2017 MLO KPIs, and the feasibility of creating video montages.

11. **Discuss: Membership**

Dr. Plute’s discussion included, needing a new chair and vice chair, the board being unhappy with our dwindling committee membership, opening up applications after the holidays, having 6 spots open, a large learning curve for new members, advertisements to attract interest in advance, waiting for the facility advisory committee to be assembled, and reaching out to assembled community groups such as the world café participants.

**Future Agenda Items**

MLO KPIs, Glenn will be absent for Jan meeting.

**Adjournment:**

Dr. Plute adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

**Future Meetings:**

- Tuesday, November 19th, 2019 in the Administration Building’s Boardroom 6:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, December 17th, 2019 in the Administration Building’s Boardroom 6:00 p.m.