



MINUTES

Wisconsin Rapids Public School District - Board of Education

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Business Services Committee

John A Krings, Chairman
John Benbow, Jr., Member
Katherine Bielski-Medina, Member
Mary E Rayome, President

July 7, 2009

LOCATION: Washington Elementary School Cafeteria

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT: John Krings, John Benbow, Jr., and Katherine Bielski-Medina

- I. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chair.
II. Public Comment
III. Business Services

A. Facility Rental – Waiver Request

The Facility Rental – Waiver Request from the Tri-City Children’s Dream Foundation was tabled.

B. Food Service Stimulus Grant and Food Service Equipment Purchase – Approval

BS-1 A motion was made by Katherine Bielski-Medina, and seconded by John Benbow, Jr., to recommend approval of the proposal to replace dish machines at Howe Elementary School and Mead Elementary School to be purchased from CTL at a total cost of \$18,096 to be funded with American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funding in the amount of \$17,006 and the balance to come from applicable energy rebates and the Food Service Fund. The motion was carried.

C. Legacy Wall – Lincoln High School – Approval

Brenda Simon representing Advocates of WRPS Education presented the final plan for the "Legacy Wall" to be constructed at Lincoln High School.

BS-2 A motion was made by Katherine Bielski-Medina, and seconded by John Benbow, Jr., to recommend approval of the final plan for the "Legacy Wall" to be constructed at Lincoln High School by the Advocates of WRPS Education. The motion was carried.

D. Facility Renovation – Howe Elementary School – Approval

BS-3 A motion was made by John Benbow, Jr., and seconded by Katherine Bielski-Medina, to recommend approval of renovation of the Nurse Health room and the addition of two handicapped accessible bathrooms at Howe Elementary School at a cost not to exceed \$50,125 to be funded from the allocation of Federal IDEA ARRA funds. The motion was carried.

E. Audio Video Installation – East Junior High School (EJH) Cafeteria

Bryon Kolbeck reviewed video and audio needs in the East Junior High cafeteria with the committee. The committee reviewed three configurations and recommended relocating the setup of the board tables to the center of the room allowing projection screens to be mounted on both sides of the board tables. The configuration also allows for the partition wall to be drawn with the ability to provide video on both sides of the divided room.

F. Microsoft Value Advantage Program – Approval

Bryon Kolbeck reviewed the Microsoft Value Advantage Program for peripheral computer equipment with the committee.

BS-4 A motion was made by Katherine Bielski-Medina, and seconded by John Benbow, Jr., to recommend approval for the District to participate in the Microsoft Value Advantage Program for the acquisition of peripheral computer equipment. The motion was carried.

IV. Updates and Reports

A. Purchases – Update

The Committee was updated on orders for computers purchased with 2008-09 Technology funds and Technology Referendum to Exceed Revenue Limit funds.

B. Transportation – Budget Reduction Update

The Committee was updated on the potential savings of \$6,675 (\$1,600 in fuel) from elimination of a double run for what was previously considered hazardous transportation in the Mead attendance area for Mead Elementary School and Parochial students. In combination with eliminating all transportation to secondary students residing within the city limits (the plan Marshfield School District has in place) an additional three double runs and four buses could be eliminated for a potential savings of \$159,425 (\$11,200 in fuel). Potential savings from both proposals would be approximately \$166,100, meaning no secondary transportation would be provided within the city limits, and no Elementary transportation would be provided less than two miles in the city limits. Potential savings also exist if a double run were eliminated for 60 students being transported from around the Lake Wazeecha area to Grant Elementary School at a cost of \$6,675 (\$1,600 in fuel) who are being transported because of a lack of sidewalks in the Grant attendance area.

V. Consent Agenda Items

The Committee members agreed upon the following consent agenda items:

- BS-1 – Food Service Stimulus Grant and Food Service Equipment Purchase – Approval
- BS-2 – Legacy Wall – Lincoln High School – Approval
- BS-3 – Facility Renovation – Howe Elementary School – Approval
- BS-4 – Microsoft Value Advantage Program – Approval

VI. Future Agenda Items

Future agenda items of the Business Services Committee include, but are not limited to the following:

- Wisconsin Rapids Youth Sports Association (WRYSA) – Contract Renewal

The meeting adjourned at 6:39 p.m.