

BARRINGTON COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT 220**Minutes of Finance Committee Meeting****December 4, 2018****Members Present**

Gavin Newman, Michael Shackleton

Location

District's Administrative Offices, 310 James Street, Barrington, Illinois 60010

1. DECEMBER 4, 2018 FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING - AGENDA**2. OPEN SESSION****2.01 Roll Call****2.02 Call Meeting to Order at 8:09 a.m.****2.03 Public Comment**

The opportunity for an individual to make a public comment was presented. No one requested to speak.

3. AGENDA ITEMS**3.01 Approval of Finance Committee Minutes from November 6, 2018**

The Finance Committee members approved the minutes from the November 6, 2018 Finance Committee meeting.

3.02 Audit Update

David Bein reported that the District's auditors, Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, have notified us that the Office of the Auditor General sent a letter regarding the reissuance of the Teacher Health Insurance Security Fund - Financial Audit, Schedule of Allocation Report. Baker Tilly has begun the process of incorporating this information into the District's audit and will make the necessary updates to the financial statements. Once this has been completed, they will begin the process of completing Barrington 220's audit. He reassured the Finance Committee that there are no consequences for the districts who missed the audit deadline. The Finance Committee and the administration discussed the possibility of soliciting for a new auditor.

Barrington 220 has been with Baker Tilly for many years. Dave stated that after the audit is complete, he will discuss this further with the committee.

3.03 Property Tax Grant

Dave stated that a new property tax relief grant program is available thru new legislation. It is targeted toward high tax rate districts, and provides grant funds to replace a portion of the taxes abated. Dave explained that because 220 has a relatively low tax rate, this grant is not appropriate for the District. Members of the Finance Committee were in agreement.

3.04 Food Service Analysis

Dave reported that as the District prepares to develop bid specifications for food services, the administration felt it necessary to review the District's participation in the National School Lunch Program (NSLP). The NSLP is a federal program that provides low-cost or free lunches to families that qualify. School districts receive reimbursement from the state for this program. Dave explained that school districts are required to bid for food service and award to the qualified low bidder. District 220 is in the fifth year of the contract with Chartwell's. Revenues received from NSLP are on a downward trend and this is happening at many school districts. All of 220's schools are now part of this program. The appeal of being off the NSLP program is to have greater control over variety, quality, and portion size, along with more flexibility when structuring bid specifications. Dave stated that taking all schools off this program is not something the administration can recommend at this time, because of facility restraints at the schools. He does, however, recommend taking Barrington High School off of the National School Lunch Program. One of our custodians delivers food to the elementary schools from the high school, but if BHS comes off of NSLP, the food can be delivered from the middle schools to the elementaries on a daily basis. Data from districts that have recently opted out of NSLP show a significant increase in sales to full paying students over the prior year. Dave stated that schools who have gone off program have kind of a Starbucks set up, and a dietician will review meals and menu selections along with an executive chef. All of the employees would be Chartwells employees. A food service bid needs to be created for K-12 or one needs to be created for K-8 and a separate one for BHS if the high school is removed from NSLP. Once food service bids are received, the Illinois State Board of Education would need to review and approve the final results. Dr. Harris stated that this item will be discussed at this evening's Board meeting, and the Board will be asked to give the administration direction at their December 18 Board meeting.

4. CLOSED SESSION

Information: 4.01 Closed Session - For the purpose of discussing: Employment matters, performance of a specific employee, collective negotiating matters, legal matters, security procedures, student disciplinary matters, and the purchase, lease or sale price of real property.

No closed session was required.

5. ADJOURN

Information: 5.01 Adjourn Meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 9:39 a.m.