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**MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
FINANCE AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING**

**APRIL 28, 2014
6:00 p.m.
CENTRAL SERVICES OFFICE
793 NORTH MAIN STREET
GLEN ELLYN, IL 60137**

The meeting was called to order at 6:18 p.m.

Present: Committee members Joe Bochenski, Drew Ellis and Patrick Escalante, Superintendent Dr. Paul Gordon, Assistant Superintendent Bob Ciserella, Board Member Dean Elger, Assistant Superintendent Karen Carlson, Director of Technology Mike Wood, Director of Communications Julie Worthen, Jack Hayes of FQC, Ron Richardson of FGM Architects, and Recording Secretary Carolyn Gust.

Review and approval of minutes from the April 14, 2014, meeting: The minutes were reviewed and approved and will be posted to the district website.

Hadley Math Adoption

Hadley began using the new common core standards during the 2012/2013 school year. As a result of the work of GCC and then the release of the common core, the district delayed implementation of new textbooks/resources until this year. After researching various resources Hadley identified the following two curriculum resources to pilot: Connected Mathematics Project 3 (CMP 3) and Larson Big Ideas. Hadley math teachers completed an Assessment Evaluation Tool for CCSS Alignment in Mathematics from achievethecore.org and Larson Big Ideas was unanimously selected.

Teachers will receive an additional 3 hours of Professional Development in the use of the materials. Workbooks will be ordered for on-grade level classes for the 2014/2015 school year. There is the potential for the workbooks to be a recurring cost of approximately \$6,000.

Committee members would like to invite the Hadley math teachers to the next Board of Education meeting. Ms. Carlson agreed to do so.

This information will be presented to the Board of Education later this evening for discussion and at the May 12, 2014, board meeting for action.

Engineering is Elementary (EIE) Resources

The Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) were adopted by ISBE on February 19, 2014, and need to be fully implemented by the 2016/2017 school year. District 41 teachers began deconstructing the new standards in June 2013 and curriculum development began in January 2014 and will continue through the 2014/2015 school year. Elementary and junior high teachers will be implementing one new NTSS unit next year.

This information will be presented to the Board of Education later this evening for discussion and at the May 12, 2014, board meeting for action.

Hadley Book Room Resources

For numerous years, Hadley Junior High School has had a Book Room by which it offers enrichment and intervention through the use of text sets. They are mostly teacher resources to complement the curriculum. The Book Room is understocked in STEM texts targeting Hadley's at-risk readers and aligned to the new NGSS, as well as inadequate in its coverage of the social studies themes across the grade levels. The administration's recommendation is intended to be the first step in rectifying these lapses and broadening the availability of leveled texts for Social Studies, Science, and exploratory teachers at Hadley.

This information will be presented to the Board of Education later this evening for discussion and at the May 12, 2014, board meeting for action.

Amended 2013-2014 School District Budget

The 2013-2014 budget was adopted by the Board of Education on August 12, 2013. The district is required by Illinois School Code to file an amended budget when specific line item revenues or expenditures exceed their budgeted amount by 10 percent or greater. District 41 exceeded two such line items in the current fiscal year.

As a result of the capital borrowing plan and expenditures associated with the elementary school additions, the district moved from an estimated surplus of \$150,807 to a surplus of \$6,044,876. The fund balance increase will be included in the 2014-15 school district budget, when a substantial deficit will be incurred.

Overall expenditures increased by \$1,105,930 and are made up of the following amounts:

- Salaries, benefits, supplies/materials, capital equipment and other expenditures have increased minimally
- Purchased services have increased as a result of increased professional fees and services associated with transportation. Transportation has significantly increased as a result of the district's Choice routes and transportation of district homeless students which is required by Illinois law. Also, the district has received its final grant allocations which necessitated reallocation of certain funds

This information will be presented for discussion and posting approval at the May 12, 2014, Board of Education meeting. Approval of the amended budget is scheduled for the June 23, 2014, meeting.

Tentative 2014-2015 School District Budget

This information is provided to the Board of Education as a tool to navigate the budget document, show its relationship to the district's Long Range Plan, Vision and Mission Statements and provide a clear understanding of the budget in context with school district finance laws. It is intended as a "first blush" of the overall budget with the more detailed building and department budgets scheduled to be presented at the May 12, 2014, committee meeting. The budget is required to be filed with the State of Illinois by the end of

the first quarter of the fiscal year or September 30th per Section 17-1 of Illinois School Code.

The tentative 2014-15 budget has a projected \$7,071,245 deficit as a result of ongoing construction projects. This trend will continue in the 2015-2016 budget but is expected to return to relative surpluses once the capital projects have been completed.

The budget will be presented to the full Board of Education for posting approval at the May 27, 2014, board meeting. In August, the budget will be presented to the board for approval and will then be filed with the state and county recorder as required by law.

Discussion was had regarding the budget development process. Dr. Gordon assured the committee that, wherever possible, funds were reallocated rather than added to the budget. District administration developed this budget with this reallocation goal in mind.

Other: Mr. Bochenski reminded the committee that he prefers that district personnel spend district money at Glen Ellyn establishments whenever possible rather than go outside of the village.

Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carolyn Gust
Recording Secretary