# School Board Finance Committee Meeting September 10, 2019 Room 206 School Administration Building

### **Finance Committee Members Present**

Dr. Bob Brennan

Dr. Atul Gupta

Dr. Mike Nilles

Mrs. Susan D. Morrison

# **Finance Committee Members Absent**

Ms. Sharon Carter

### **School Administration Present**

Dr. Crystal Edwards, Superintendent Dr. Ben Copeland, Deputy Superintendent Kim Lukanich, Chief Financial Officer Marie Gee, Personnel Director Christi Meservy-Clerk

### **Media Present**

None

### **Meeting Called To Order**

The Finance Committee 2019-2020 Chair, Dr. Gupta, called the meeting to order at 3:31 p.m.

# Approval of the September 10, 2019 Agenda

Upon MOTION by Dr. Brennan, SECONDED by Dr. Nilles, the Finance Committee approved the agenda for the September 10, 2019 meeting.

Yes Votes: Dr. Brennan, Dr. Gupta, Dr. Nilles

No Votes: None

Abstentions: None

# Approval Of Minutes From August 13, 2019 Finance Committee Meeting

Upon MOTION by Dr. Nilles, SECONDED by Dr. Brennan, the Finance Committee approved the meeting minutes from August 13, 2019.

Yes Votes: Dr. Brennan, Dr. Gupta, Dr. Nilles

No Votes: None

Abstentions: None

# **Discussion Items**

A. FY21 Budget Development: The cost of pay schedule increase for FY21 is estimated at 1.4 million. Dr. Edwards recommends an increase in the subs rate of pay but not the increase of living wage. Living wage and MIT are updated annually in December. The Finance Committee is fine with just staying put at this point. All staff are currently at living wage. The plan is to stay on clusters for two years. The highest turnover positions are custodians, bus drivers, and maintenance.

- **B.** Health Benefits: The health insurance activity for June could still change due to claims still being processed. Employee pay portion of health premiums are down due to new employees not receiving the medical benefit until September. They will be making their choice of insurance coverage at that time.
- **C. Additional Comments:** The Governor's School has 138 students. There are 12 spots available. Tuition is \$4700 a student. It has not been raised in quite a long time. LCS has 30 students on the waiting list. The committee would like to poll the entire board.

District III is calling about why Heritage is not getting a gym. Dr. Copeland stated that it will be going out to bid in about 4 months. After which, we will have a better idea how much will be left over. We should know more around February. Dr. Gupta asked for an update on the fund balance at the next meeting.

# **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:03 p.m.