

School Board Meeting 8/22/2017

Attendees: Bob, Jake, Verena, Sue

Meeting called to order at 6:33

Communications:

Director's Report: We are fully staffed as of today. Community Outreach- 9/29 the kindergartners will take a trip to IUPUI. We are involved in a 529 program that will help start college funds for these students.

9/15 Superhero run!

ISTEP scores-Administration will be analyzing those results and plan accordingly

Technology- 30 chrome books will be delivered for the middle school

Carpet- we have been contacted and they will trim the carpet again. Due to the continued issues, Sue will consult with Carman with the possibility of consulting further legal help.

Enrollment is about the same as last year, but we do have room in upper el for growth.

We did not receive technology grant.

Material Fees: We have received about half of material fees. Karinda will send invoices this week.

Finance Committee Report:

Karinda reported the balance sheet. We are budgeted for 400 students as of right now, we have 371. So we are working below budget. The Chrome books will be included in the Middle School materials.

Facility Committee:

The board has moved on a \$6 million budget, but we are finding this is quite difficult. All bids have been over this quite a bit. Banks have been not been very willing to discuss financing. We haven't been denied, but also not encouraged. Another hurdle is the debate public vs private bid. We have been looking at project management properties that will do the public bid. We are still looking at banks, we are also looking at bond companies for financing.

We have two years on leases for both campuses and we are looking to move forward as quickly as we can.

Information and Action Items:

Nut-free proposal at South Campus

Parents presenting: Their child who attends south campus, has a fatal allergy to pistachios and cashews, but also has anaphylactic reactions to other nuts. He is aware of what he shouldn't eat, but there are concerns with unseen oils and cross contamination. They propose to make south campus completely nut free to avoid any issues. They are concerned for the safety of their child/children. They also expressed concern that we don't have a nurse on staff. (Sue said people will be trained on how to handle epi-pens and other allergy situations).

Another parent expressed concerns that nuts are important part of her family's diet. She expressed that perhaps we have education about these severe allergies.