



Board of Education COMMITTEE REPORTS

SEPTEMBER 9, 2021

Fiscal Planning & Operations Committee

The Fiscal Planning & Operations Committee met on Wednesday, September 1, 2021, to review the 2022-2023 Budget Calendar, ESSER funding, possible referendum projects, and other ongoing projects.

1. **2020-2021 Audit:** Mr. Oliveira informed the Committee that the District received the ASBO International Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting for the FY20 audit report, and that auditors have now begun their year-end review of the 2020-2021 financial records.
2. **2022-2023 Budget Calendar:** The Committee reviewed the 2022-2023 budget Calendar.
3. **ESSER / ESSER II / ARP Funding:** Mr. Oliveira discussed the planned submission of a modified ESSER II funding application to reflect funds toward tutoring and learning loss as well as additional supplies/expenses for reopening schools. The balance of the funds will be dedicated to HVAC replacement to be submitted to DOE in the Fall with work planned for Summer 2022. The District received an additional \$400,000 through an ARP IDEA grant allocation.
4. **Energy Savings Improvement Update:** Honeywell architects are conducting building surveys and DOE submissions will be made by September 8, 2021. EZenergy, the solar PPA company, submitted permit applications to the Township. DOE applications were submitted for the solar PPA project.
5. **Referendum Presentation and Discussion:** Spiezle Architectural Group reviewed the Referendum Presentation that will yield a “zero” net impact to taxpayers with a targeted referendum date of September 2022.
6. **Transportation:** The Transportation Department and Layla are working through staffing difficulties that are encountered nationwide, in preparation for opening schools.
7. **Food Services:** The 2021-2022 School Nutrition Program application is available online and through Genesis. The District is promoting sign-ups by offering free iPad insurance to all who submit an application.
8. **Business Office Update:** The District received a TCO for the new Preschool Building and continue to work on punch list items.

Policy/Legislative Committee

The Policy/Legislative Committee met on Thursday, September 2, 2021, to review policies on teaching staff evaluations and the Bridge year Pilot Program, and to discuss other policies and regulations.

1. **Policies and Regulations 3221, 3222, 3223, 3224:** The Committee discussed updates to Policies and Regulations 3221, 3222, 3223, 3224 on evaluation of teaching staff members and administrators, to bring them into alignment with current Administrative Code requirements.
2. **Policy and Regulation 5460.02:** The Committee discussed proposed Policy and Regulation 5460.02, addressing the Bridge Year Pilot Program, implementing guidance from the Department of Education for students in the graduating classes of 2021 and 2022 whose opportunities for learning and participation in extracurricular activities were disrupted by school closures during the COVID-19 pandemic.
3. **Policy and Regulation 6471 :** The Committee discussed updates to Policy and Regulation 6471 regulating school district travel to incorporate recent revisions to the Administrative Code.
4. **Committee Approval:** The Committee approved all of these Policies and Regulations for submission to the Board of Education for First Reading, with revisions to Policy 6471 as recommended by the Administration.
5. **Timothy Piazza Anti-Hazing Law :** Mr. Rubin briefed the Committee on the recently-adopted Timothy Piazza Anti-Hazing Law and advised that the Committee will need to adopt a policy implementing that as well in the near future.