

**Rice Lake Area School District
BOE Finance Committee
Wednesday, October 26, 2018
8:00 AM**

MINUTES

1. **Called to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m.
2. **Roll Call:** **Present:** Steve Bowman, Bill Schmitzer, Doug Kucko, Gary Spear
 Others Present: Patrick Blackaller, Susan Strouf
 Absent: Randy Drost
3. **Statement of Notice:** Patrick Blackaller announced that notice of the meeting was communicated by public notice as required by 19.84 of WI Statutes.
4. **October 3, 2018 Minutes:** Bill Schmitzer and Doug Kucko motioned to approve the October 3, 2018 BOE Finance Committee meeting minutes. All present voting yes. Motion approved.
5. **2018-19 Budget:** Mr. Blackaller discussed the extensive changes made to comply with federal requirements. The committee reviewed the budget changes and recommends approval of the budget at the budget hearing.
6. **Projected Tax Levy:** The committee reviewed the proposed tax levy and recommended it be reduced to maintain the mil rate at or below the prior year's mil rate.
7. **Annual Meeting Document:** The committee reviewed the Executive Budget Summary that will be used during the budget hearing.
8. **Budget/Tax/Public Depository Resolution:** The committee reviewed the resolutions and recommended the board approval subject to a reduced tax levy to maintain the same mil rate as the prior year.
9. **SME Proposal-** The committee recommended the district counter the SME proposal by offering \$5,000 less than proposed.
10. **Elementary High Needs Instruction:** The committee discussed the need to hire a one on one instructor to provide two hours of support for a special education student that moved into the district. Originally, the district had looked to place this student at Eau Claire Academy, but there were no vacancies.
11. **Fishing Club Fundraiser:** The committee was asked to provide an exception to policy to allow the Fishing club to sell raffle tickets as part of a statewide raffle. The exception was requested due to the requirement in policy 374.1 sub (G) that all funds be collected, recorded, deposited, and expended according to board policy. The raffle would result in

50% of the funds going to the statewide organization. The committee did not support providing an exception to the policy.

12. **Closed Session:** Doug Kucko and Gary Spear motioned to move into Closed Session. All present voting yes. Motion approved.
13. **Open Session:** Gary Spear and Bill Schmitzer motioned to reconvene into Open Session. All present voting yes. Motion approved.
14. **Action from Closed Session:** The committee recommended the approval of a \$33.00 route minimum for federally required McKinney Vento student transport. The BOE will be asked to approve this pay rate change at the next BOE meeting.
15. **Clinic Update:** Mrs. Eichten resigned from her one day-a-month position with the clinic. In place of this, the committee was asked to consider allowing a physician's assistant or nurse practitioner to be hired for up to four hours per week to provide additional coverage and to provide a female medical staff member for the clinic. The committee supported the request.
16. **Health Insurance Update:** The committee discussed the current plan's performance. The plan appears to be doing very well at this point. The committee will continue to receive updates each month.
17. **Other:** Mr. Spear requested that we provide a list of all stipends, extended contracts, and coaching contract pay for our next meeting for all teaching staff.
18. **Next Meeting Date:** Tuesday, November 6, 2018 at 8:30 a.m.
19. **Adjourn:** Doug Kucko and Bill Schmitzer motioned to adjourn the meeting. All present voting yes. Meeting adjourned at 10:12 a.m.

Minutes submitted by Patrick Blackaller.