

Meeting: ECASD Budget Development Committee

Date: May 11, 2022

Time: 1:15p.m. – 2:45p.m.

Location: Administration Building 137

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marquell Johnson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lori Bica	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Phil Lyons*	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Abby Johnson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mike Johnson
<input type="checkbox"/> Kay Marks	<input type="checkbox"/> Kaying Xiong	<input type="checkbox"/> Kim Koller	<input type="checkbox"/> Mandy Van Vleet	<input type="checkbox"/> Jim Schmitt

* Committee Chair

The regular meeting of Budget Development was called to order by Abby Johnson at 1:21 p.m. on May 11, 2022.
Quorum was met.

Notes: Marisa Pomplun

- **Public Comment**
 - No public comment today.
- **Approval of Previous Minutes**
 - The minutes from April 27th were reviewed.

Lori Bica made a motion to approve the April 27, 2022 minutes. The motion was seconded by Phil Lyons. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

- **Committee Formation**
 - Board Policy GC-5 states that the Board will appoint committees to do their work on a yearly basis. The group discussed what a committee would look like if it changed from Budget Development Committee to a committee that would focus just on the referendum.
 - The group discussed having some guests that are asked to attend each meeting to provide input for the referendum.

Lori Bica made a motion to change to the Referendum Committee. Phil wanted to amend Lori's motion to include during the board meetings there will be designated time for budget conversations and in a year's time the Board will review if the process is working or if the Budget Development Committee needs to be reinstated. The motion was seconded by Marquell Johnson. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Action Items

- Making the budget conversations regular parts of the board meeting using it as an educational piece for the community – could it be a quick update like the legislative update if there wasn't anything big to share?
- **Referendum Work**
 - Abby shared updated information from last meetings Action Items regarding HVAC systems across the District as well as how other districts got to their current place on the Revenue Limit Per Member chart. The group discussed how these numbers impact the community conversation.
 - There was conversation on where the committee and District are at in the different areas for the referendum and what the next steps are for the discussion.
 - The message for sustainability should include how it will save money for the District in the long run. Cost efficiencies for the District are important to elaborate on.
 - How can we change the argument/discussion to moving learning spaces to 21st century spaces?
 - How do we get support from those that may not support a referendum? What does that communication look like and how do people see the way that it will impact them personally? What is tangible for the people that have children or grandchildren that will see something now?

- What is more palatable for those who would vote for the referendum... 10 years or 20 years, will the children I know be affected in 20 years from now?
- How do you include Capital and something that includes a splash that doesn't cost a lot of money?

Action Items

- Confirmation that all HVAC automation systems at buildings are working and up to today's standards
- What are the short term and medium priorities that need to be included in the initial amount of money the district asks for?
- Review WASBO "Tool-Kit" to see additional funding through Dept of Agriculture
- Mike to follow-up with Sups to see about full time grant writers on staff
- Work to see if the new Referendum committee can come to a consensus on what to bring forward
- **Wrap-up Meeting**
 - A future agenda item could be
 - Continuing the referendum work
 - Budget for 5 years flat and 5/10 years for where we anticipate salary and benefits to go
 - Budget with and without ESSER funds so the community can see the deficit of funds

Marquell Johnson moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Lori Bica. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 3:02 p.m.