

U-46 Citizens' Advisory Council

NOTES OF MEETING

TODAY'S DATE 11/5/2015	MEETING DATE 11/5/2015	MINUTES APPROVED Unofficial
MEETING TITLE CAC Finance Committee Meeting		AUTHOR Dan Blake

LOCATION OF MEETING: U-46 Educational Services, Room 251
ATTENDED BY: Larry Bury, Dan Blake, Vivienne Bailey, Dale Burnidge (U46), Heather Matthews, Mary Fergus (U46), Sue Kerr (Board Member)
ABSENT:
DISTRIBUTION:
RC/CF:

ITEM	DESCRIPTION OF DISCUSSION
1.	Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m.
2.	The minutes from the 10/15/2015 meeting were reviewed and approved. Motioned by Heather Matthews seconded by Vivienne Bailey. Minutes were approved.
3.	Since our last meeting there have been two board finance committee meetings. One about the levy and abatement and one about the audit findings. The levy and abatement meeting was informational in nature explaining the process to everyone that was at the meeting. This process will not necessarily lower people's tax bills given the other Kane/DuPage county problems. The meeting about audit findings was also non-eventful.
4.	It was raised that we still need to define a role for this group. Dan Blake mentioned he would like to focus on the cost/benefit of district programs. Larry Bury also mentioned that he is concerned about the district issuing debt for more operational items like building maintenance. We would like to look at these items. Larry suggested that he and Dan talk with the board members on the board finance committee about how to proceed.
5.	A question was asked about how all day Kindergarten will be funded. In this year's budgets the only costs are related to construction of the new classrooms. The operating costs would be in next year's budget.
6.	We talked about the need for a Budget presentation for the next CAC general. Mary will check with Tony.

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7.	On the legislative front, we have in the past talked about how best to assist the CAC in accomplishing legislative outreach. We have talked about how best to make sure that people know who to reach out to about legislative issues. How do we get the district more mobilized? How can we work with the district?
8.	It was suggested that we get a 5 to 10 minutes at the beginning of the Jan General meeting to present the important pending legislation, how to find who your legislators are, and How CAC Members can influence Springfield. We need to think about how we can drive this information down through the PTOs.
9.	Larry mentioned there has been no new movement on the bill to let the district to hire Tony Sanders. He thinks it will be picked up in the spring.
10.	Dale checked and there is no master list of programs. He also mentioned that they do not account for programs separately. Sue Kerr mentioned that the board should discuss how they want to proceed with the budgeting process.
11.	The committee voted to cancel the December 3 rd meeting.
	Public Comments.
11.	There were no public comments.
	Adjournment:
12.	Vivienne Bailey moved to adjourn. Larry Bury seconded. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

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MEETING ACTION ITEMS

	ACTION TO BE TAKEN	ACTION BY	TARGET DATE	COMPLETION DATE
1.	Larry Bury to set up discussion with Board Finance committee members on Finance and Legislative Committee role.			
2.	Mary will check with Tony on what he wants to do on the budget presentation at the next CAC general.			
3.	Dan and Larry will ask CAC Exec for a slot at the Jan meeting to give a quick legislative update.			
4.	Sue Kerr will discuss with the board how to proceed with budgeting.			
5.	Larry Bury will look at how best to organize legislative material and getting on the CAC website.			
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PRIOR MEETING ACTION ITEMS

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1.	Send the levy presentation to Dan Blake for distribution	Dale Burnidge		10/31/2015
2.	Check to see if there is a master list of programs. If so send to Dan Blake to be distributed the group.	Dale Burnidge		
3.	Get update on the state bill allowing Tony Sanders to be considered for the district leadership position.	Larry Bury		11/5/2015
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