April 11, 2013
Finance Committee Minutes

The meeting commenced at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Brian Jones; Paul Cieply; Bill Davis; Dr. Jim Brink; Lori Sanders; Rob Walker; Vince Utterback; Ryan Jenkins

I. Recap of prior meeting—the committee spent time reviewing the minutes from the meeting held on March 7, 2013. By voice vote, the minutes were approved.

II. Forecast model—the committee spent time looking at the assumptions in the five year forecast that relate to enrollment and staffing. The committee reviewed the current trend of slightly declining enrollment. Questions and comments were shared about making sure that enrollment projections were closely monitored in light of the recent upswing in real estate activity in the district. The enrollment was also viewed in the context of the need to accurately create staffing plans. There was discussion about how to handle the slightly declining enrollment, with the two main points being:

1. Allowing staff to decline via attrition or perhaps reductions?
2. Addressing the need to have adequate staffing for the additions of Common Core, Special Education requirements, intervention requirements, and the possibility of re-establishing valuable programs that have been eliminated or reduced?

III. Future topics—the next meeting will be held on May 16, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. At this meeting, we will need to further discuss the enrollment projections, staffing plans, the tax reappraisal, and other key components for the May submission of the five year forecast. The committee should also look at the effect of insurance renewal rates on the five year forecast, especially within the context of making future decisions about district sponsored health care as it relates to the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (“Obamacare”).

IV. Adjournment—the meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Ryan Jenkins

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 16, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. in the Superintendent’s Office