

BAC MEETING MINUTES 9/28/10

The meeting began at 6:30 in the district office conference room.

The following members attended: Alan Sacher, Mike Isernia, Perry Russell, Ed Hudson, Jim Mayers, Paul Killian, Liz Morrison and Terri Ahearn. From the district office was James Nolan, Ron Sacks and Bruce Singer. From the BOE was Rob Scavo. There were no visitors.

The following topics were discussed:

- !) The committee welcomed new BAC member Terri Ahearn.
- 2) Superintendent James Nolan was welcomed to meet the committee and discuss the future direction of the BAC. The committee discussed with Mr. Nolan their past experiences with the district office, what the committee has done in the past and the relationship they would like to have with Mr. Nolan in the future. The committee expressed their frustration in not playing an active role in reviewing the budget process and would like more open communication. Mr. Nolan talked about the district offices responsibility in keeping involved in the BAC's fact-finding requests.
- 3) Members of the district discussed the loss of State Aid. The effects of losing Federal and State funding and what funds will retain teachers for this year. They discussed retirees and health insurance.
- 4) Mike Isernia distributed documents regarding alternate sources of revenue for school districts.
- 5) The BAC would like restrictions placed on the committee in the past to be lifted and more cooperation between the BAC, the district office and the BOE.
- 6) Mr. Scavo will ask the BOE for a more specific charge for the BAC at looking at next years budget.
- 7) A request was made for definitions of funding programs.
- 8) There was a discussion of unfunded mandates by the state and federal governments.
- 9) Mr. Sacks reviewed the agenda for the 10/6 BOE meeting and the extension of the budget adoption.
- 10) There was a review of district personnel changes.

- 11) The committee discussed different areas of interest and which items would be a priority.
- 12) There was a review of the committees previous years of work and where they are today.

The meeting ended at 8:30 and the next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday October 13th at 7:00 pm in the district office conference room.