

Finance Committee
Meeting Minutes

March 13, 2014

Present: Mr. Jay McMullin, Dr. Mark Schmitz, Mrs. Pat Wilson, Mr. Matthew Szuchy, Mr. Bill Murray, Dr. Brian Repici, Mrs. Janet Glover

Next meeting: April 17, 2014

I. Announcements

No new announcements

II. Discussion

SRO Contracts – Gloucester Township’s request for payment increased from \$ 212,254. to \$ 300,000, which needs some justification. Dr. Repici will meet with Gloucester Township officials to negotiate this number. He requested the boards’ parameters on settlement terms.

2014-2015 Budget – Based on increases in teacher salaries and benefit costs we are requesting a 2% increase. Everyone was in agreement.

Mr. Szuchy stated that tuition and one special needs child is coming into the district that will significantly increase costs next year. The purchase of Chromebooks for PARCC assessments was discussed.

Cafeteria Analysis – The cafeteria suffered poor sales due to all the snow. Mr. Murray stated that the rate for a cafeteria substitute should match the Federal minimum wage guidelines of \$ 10.10 an hour.

Highland Irrigation – The Facilities Committee has a meeting with Jefferis Engineering on March 25, 2014 to discuss the drainage problems at Highland. Proposed repairs range from \$ 30,000 to \$ 130,000.

Highland Bleachers – Dr. Repici reported that our architects and township officials have looked at our bleachers and press box and determined that we must become ADA compliant. Since the press box equals a second story structure an elevator or long ramp is required. Other schools with long ramps experience skateboarder and biker problems. Discussion took place as to whether or not we could save money having our employees do the work.

Triton Generators – Dr. Repici shared that the proposals received for the generators were higher in cost and need than anticipated. The architects have been requested to research and reduce the proposal.