DATE: October 6, 2014

COMMITTEE: Budget/Finance Committee

LOCATION: District Office

TIME: 7:00 PM – 7:40 PM

CHAIRMAN: Timothy W. Stayer

ASSIGNED MEMBERS: Kay Kurtz and Tim Stauffer

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Timothy Stayer and Tim Stauffer

BOARD MEMBER ABSENT: Kay Kurtz

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Kristee Reichard, Business Manager/Board Treasurer

BOARD ACTION ITEMS

I. Exonerations
After review and discussion the Committee endorsed the Administrative recommendation to approve the following Real Estate Tax Exonerations:

- Clay Township 2014-2015 $ 4,027.80
- Ephrata Borough 2014-2015 $ 852.83
- Ephrata Township 2012-2013 $ 431.29
- 2013-2014 $ 435.51
- 2014-2015 $ 476.60

TOTAL $ 6,224.03

II. Business Associate Agreement with St. Joseph Health Ministries, Lancaster, PA
After review and discussion the Committee endorsed the Administrative recommendation to approve the Brush. Brush. Smile! Business Associate Agreement with St. Joseph Health Ministries, Lancaster, PA. St. Joseph Health Ministries provides free comprehensive dental care to eligible children in EASD elementary schools.

III. Service Agreement with Trane
After review and discussion the Committee endorsed the Administrative recommendation to approve a five year Scheduled Service Agreement with Trane, Harrisburg, PA. Trane will provide planned maintenance for the EASD HVAC systems. The attached agreement includes the service fee.

IV. Special Education Supplemental Contracts
After review and discussion the Committee endorsed the Administrative recommendation to approve contracts to provide Special Education Services for the following school districts for the 2014-2015 school year:

A. Service contract with Conestoga Valley School District, Lancaster, PA to provide Emotional Support Services for elementary students. The cost is $16,125.00 per student plus additional related services billed on an hourly basis.
B. Service contract with Cocalico School District, Denver, PA to provide Emotional Support Services for elementary students. The cost is $16,125.00 per student plus additional related services billed on an hourly basis.

C. Service contract with Cocalico School District, Denver, PA to provide Emotional Support Services for Intermediate/Middle School students. The cost is $16,125.00 per student plus additional related services billed on an hourly basis.

V. Special Education Supplemental Contact with Eastern Lancaster County School District

After review and discussion the Committee endorsed the Administrative recommendation to approve Special Education Services provided by Eastern Lancaster County School District, New Holland, PA, for the 2014-2015 school year:

A. Two elementary student to receive Life Skills Support at a cost of $15,738.00 per student for a total contract amount of $31,476.00 plus any related services.

B. One elementary student to receive Emotional Support at a cost of $17,821.00 per student, plus any related services.

C. Eight students (2 elementary; 6 secondary) to receive Autistic Support at a cost of $33,210.00 per student for a total contract amount of $265,680.00 plus any related services.

D. Five students (3 elementary; 2 secondary) to receive Multiple Disabilities Support at a cost of $26,720.00 per student, total cost $133,600.00 plus any related services.

BOARD DISCUSSION ITEMS

I. General Fund Budget -- 2015-2016

The Committee was informed that the PDE Act 1 base index for the school district is 2.0% and the adjusted Act 1 index is 2.5%, maximum without exceptions for the 2015-2016 fiscal year.

II. 2015 NSBA Conference

Judy Beiler, Glenn Martin and Timothy Stayer consented to attend the 2015 NSBA Conference Nashville, TN, from March 21- 23, 2015

III. Update on Tax Assessment Hearings

An update from the appeal hearings was shared. If the appeals are approved as presented by District solicitors the increase to annual tax revenue would be $20,977.00.

IV. Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Performance Audit

The Committee was informed the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania completed a performance audit for the district, for the period ending June 30, 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012. The audit found that the district complied, in all significant respects, with applicable state laws, contracts, grant requirements and administrative procedures related to the audit areas examined. The audit report contains no findings or observations.

V. IU Health Center Initiative

The committee discussed the concept of medical clinics, the possible savings and that the IU is currently working on developing one for themselves and some districts. At this point, no data for the possible savings has been shared. The IU will be conducting a meeting on November 13th for all Board members for more information.