

TRINITY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

**Minutes of the
FINANCE/TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING
November 7, 2012
Board Room, Trinity Hall**

Present: Scott Day, Chairman, Penny Caleffe and Shawn Mulac (arrived at 4:45 p.m.)

Also present: Dr. Paul Kasunich, Superintendent and James Shargots, Board Secretary/Business Manager and Paul Kuzman, Director of Facilities/Transportation

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by the chairman, Scott Day.

Dr. Kasunich reviewed the number of students who paid to participate in school activities; the committee requested an update at the November 15 board meeting.

Mr. Shargots reviewed the audited 2011-12 general fund balance. The total fund balance of \$3,903,802.79 is a reduction of \$967,169.08 from the 2010-2011 school year. The unreserved fund balance as of June 30, 2012 is \$2,487,117.54. He also included a list of expenditures that were either not budgeted or over budget for the 2011-12 school year. The Fund Balance Analysis will be placed on the December 2012 agenda for board approval.

The committee agreed not to raise millage above the state index for the 2013-2014 school year.

Mr. Shargots distributed the inventory equipment list as of June 30, 2012.

The committee recommended placing a motion concerning participation in the IU 3 Diesel Fuel Consortium for the 2013-14 school year on the December board agenda.

Mr. Greg Banner and Mr. Dave Metzger addressed the committee regarding a tax abatement request for the Ridgewood Crest Plan of Townhouses located in North Franklin Township.

Mr. Shargots reviewed earned income and mercantile tax collected for July, August and September and compared this year with last year. Tax collection is up \$134,082.

The committee reviewed the 2012-2013 budget through October 31. The committee also reviewed the list of expenditures that were not budgeted in 2012-2013 totaling \$801,325.

The committee discussed allowing tuition students beginning the second semester of the 2012-2013 school year. The current tuition rate is \$9,132.72 for secondary students and \$8,303.10 for elementary.

Old business - none

New business – none

Public comment

Janice Briggs, South Strabane Township, expressed concerns with overcrowding on Bus #62. Mr. Kuzman will review the situation.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Committee members: Scott Day, Chairman; Penny Caleffe; Shawn Mulac