

**MINUTES
FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE
GUILFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION
JUNE 8, 2009**

IN ATTENDANCE:

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS: Alan Meyers, Keith Bishop, William Bloss and Barbara Dudley. Mary Beeman and Ted Zuse joined the meeting in progress.

BOARD OF EDUCATION STAFF: Thomas Forcella, Andrew Potochney and Linda Trudeau

Dr. Meyers called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm.

Mr. Bloss reviewed the financial reports for May 2009. Expenditures to Milliman & Robertson, Inc., ERACE and Renaissance Learning were discussed. The Student Activity accounts were discussed. Mr. Potochney explained that the Substitute account was lower than the prior year due to a reduction in the need for long-term substitutes.

Mr. Potochney stated that the projections for the end of the 2008-09 fiscal year was approximately \$200,000.00 under budget. The Electric, Heat and Health Insurance accounts were discussed. A discussion of encumbering funds for Engineering services was held. The 2009-10 Budget was discussed. Dr. Forcella stated the agreements with the teacher's and the custodial unions have been finalized. The meetings held regarding the retirement incentives for teachers was discussed.

Dr. Forcella stated that the Guilford Fund for Education has awarded a grant to Calvin Leete School for a Math Club. Dr. Forcella stated that the Math club would incorporate the use of 24 in every classroom. Dr. Forcella noted that the math problems all have 24 as the answer and that the challenge is to determine how to get to that answer.

Dr. Forcella discussed the possibility of creating a program for students with autism utilizing the ARRA funds. The program created by Madison Public Schools was discussed. Training of teachers for the program was discussed. Dr. Forcella noted that there are teachers in the District that are trained in some areas but would require some additional training.

Upon a motion made by Mrs. Beeman and seconded by Mrs. Dudley the Board voted to adjourn to executive session discussion of contract negotiations. Mr. Bloss invited Mr. Potochney and Mrs. Trudeau to join the Board in executive session.

Upon a motion made by Dr. Meyers and seconded by Mr. Bishop the Board unanimously voted to adjourn from executive session at 7:30 p.m.

Upon a motion made by Mrs. Dudley and seconded by Mrs. Beeman the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Trudeau