

SHIKELLAMY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Sunbury, Pennsylvania

Work Session -May 9, 2013
Island Park Administration Center

A Work Session of the Shikellamy School District Board of Directors was held on Thursday, May 9, 2013, 2013 at 8:15 pm at the Island Park Administration Center.

Members Present: Mrs. Garman Mr. Garman, Dr. Hartman, Mr. Karpinski, Mr. Kerstetter, Mr. Micahels, Mrs. Van Der Pool, Dr. Walter, and Mrs. Wiest

Student Board Members Present: Miss Snyder

Student Board Members Absent: Miss Pehowic

Others Present: Mr. Patrick Kelley, District Superintendent
Attorney Jeffrey Apfelbaum, Solicitor
Mr. David M. Sinopoli, Business Manager
Mrs. Abbey Walshaw-Wertz, Director of Education
Mrs. Stephanie Michaels, Director of Special Education
Mr. Michael Hubicki, Shikellamy High School Principal
Mrs. Mary Murphy-Kahn, Shikellamy High School Assistant Principal
Mr. Frank Boyer, Shikellamy Middle School Principal
Mrs. Susan Giberson, Beck Elementary Principal
Ms. Holly Judge, Oaklyn Elementary Principal
Mr. Doug Benick, Director of Buildings and Grounds
Mr. Matthew Mitchell, Director of Food Service
Mrs. Bethanne Zeigler, Board Recording Secretary

FINANCIAL DISCUSSION

Mr. Sinopoli stated that he asked Public Financial Management to look at some of the proposals and the scenarios provided by the four architectural firms to work out some numbers clustered around a conventional brick and mortar building, as well as pre-engineered construction.

Ms. Doyle gave a general fund fiscal gap analysis from 2010 through 2018.

Baseline	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Total Revenue	37,780,068	39,319,213	37,923,261	38,102,746	39,390,877	40,854,954	42,241,401	43,453,098	44,673,077
Total Expenditure	37,394,077	38,401,687	35,426,363	40,212,136	42,157,439	42,157,439	44,062,733	45,515,587	46,953,653
Baseline Operating Balance Pre Initiatives	385,991	917,526	2,161,718	(322,890)	(821,259)	(1,302,485)	(1,821,331)	(2,062,469)	(2,280,576)
Baseline Operating Balance Post Initiatives	385,991	917,526	2,161,718	(323,890)	(821,259)	(1,302,485)	(1,821,331)	(2,062,469)	(2,280,576)
Fund Balance (Beginning of Year)				3,074,130	2,750,240	1,928,981	626,495	(1,194,386)	(3,257,305)
Fund Balance (End of Year)				2,750,240	1,928,981	626,495	(1,194,386)	(3,257,305)	(5,537,881)

Using the same information, Ms. Doyle gave figures for a pre-engineered option: which included outstanding debt and 17.42mm -Pre-Engineered Building

Baseline	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Fund Balance (Beginning of Year)				3,074,130	2,750,240	1,928,981	(8,119)	(2,342,110)	(4,922,134)
Fund Balance (End of Year)				2,750,240	1,928,981	(8,119)	(2,342,110)	(4,922,134)	(7,779,650)

Ms. Doyle provided figures for a conventional option: which included outstanding debt 21.53mm - Conventional Building

Baseline	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Fund Balance (Beginning of Year)				3,074,130	2,750,240	1,928,981	(169,867)	(2,702,023)	(5,480,828)
Fund Balance (End of Year)				2,750,240	1,928,981	(169,867)	(2,702,805)	(5,480,828)	(8,535,299)

The PlanCon moratorium was discussed at length. It is unknown if the districts who begin PlanCon projects would be eligible for reimbursement after the fact. If the Board of Education chooses to do construction during the moratorium, there are no guarantees for reimbursement by the state. It would behoove a district to communicate with local representatives in the General Assembly to make them aware of the situation, to ensure that is not a topic that is overlooked in the future. It was also noted that PlanCon still needs to be submitted, regardless of reimbursement.

Looking from 2016 through 2018 and factoring in that the district needs to maintain a certain operating budget, it was asked how many mills, based on the proposed projects, would it take to operate the district annually and could it be reasonably done through Act 1. Looking at 2015, with a 1.3 Million Dollar deficit, the assumption gives a 2.5 mil increase. A discussion on Act 1 and the fund balance ensued. Dr. Hartman stated that regardless of Act 1, there still needs to be some type of reasonable level of reserve, which is no different than running one's own home.

Dr. Hartman suggested that discussion end and be continued at the next work session on May 21, 2013 regarding architects. In addition, a discussion on budgets can be held at the same meeting. Three work sessions are scheduled before the final general operating budget needs to be adopted. Mrs. Wiest stated that she does not believe discussions regarding cuts should be held any later than June 6, 2013.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 pm.