

**Evergreen School District  
Budget Advisory Committee (BAC)  
Minutes of October 19, 2017 Meeting**

**I. Call to order**

- a. 5:30 pm; Welcome and introductions

Present: Kathy Gomez, Nelly Yang, Kim McNiven, Jim Zito, Brian Wheatley, Kristi Frankina, Gina Juarez, Phil Bond, Jim Sherman, Pauline Benton, Dianne Hobbs, Stacey Johnston, Conrad Taylor, Dixie Lopes.

**II. Approval of minutes from June 1, 2017 meeting**

- a. Approved.

**III. Budget Update/Board Approved Fiscal Stabilization Option and**

**IV. 2017-18 Work Focus align with District Strategic Objectives – Achieve Financial Stability and Sustainability**

- a. Nelly presented to BAC what was presented to Board regarding current financial forecast (\$11M deficit by 2020-21) and “menu” of fiscal stabilization options.
- b. Nelly showed a graph of historical and projected enrollment, noting that the last time we had enrollment close to our current enrollment (1997-98), the district had three fewer schools.
- c. Nelly showed the Cabinet’s recommendation to the Board that included using committed one-time funds, releasing GASB 45 available fund and consolidating school sites. The Cabinet recommendation contained ongoing reductions of \$1.1M.
- d. The Board approved a different plan, which did not include any school site closing, and included ongoing reductions of \$0.6M.
- e. The Board-approved plan was given to County Office, but subsequently, County has informed District that costs for Special Education may increase by \$1.6M/year.
- f. Discussion ensued: Need to make additional changes to ongoing spending since there is no expectation of enrollment increase in the near to medium term.
- g. Any staffing changes would need to be communicated by March, 2018.
- h. Add December 7 meeting to BAC schedule.
- i. Discussion: upcoming parcel tax proposal, feasibility/timing of closure of schools, charter school funding nuances, other districts with similar challenges.
- j. Subcommittee to meet before next BAC meeting to work on specific recommendation: Kristi, Stacey, Dixie, Conrad, Gina, Nelly, Kathy(?).

**V. Public Comment: None**

**VI. Meeting adjourned: 6:36 pm**

Respectfully submitted,  
Dixie Lopes  
Secretary