



# GROSSE ILE TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS

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**Board of Education Finance Subcommittee Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday, January 25, 2011**  
**6:00 p.m.**

**Attendees:** Teri Hunter, Suzanne Sassack, Pat Selby, Greg Goyert, Bill Eis, Tony Krukowski

Discussion: (relevant documents were circulated to the entire board prior to this meeting)

**1. 2010-2011 Budget:**

Compared to original budget, revenue approximately \$1,000,000 greater; expenditures approximately \$263,000 greater. If projections were to continue without change, instead of the fund balance decreasing by \$452,000, the fund balance would increase \$263,000 leaving the fund balance at \$1,800,000 on June 30, 2011 (10.24%). Several caveats were emphasized including 1) the possibility of a State of Michigan pro-ration and 2) the uncertain impact of a pending teacher arbitration hearing (potential cost \$325,000 vs. \$ 139,000 vs. zero).

**2. Potential Bond/SF Projects:**

Tony reviewed current available proceeds as well as the status of planned and potential projects. The full board will need to determine if the district will initiate the water pumping project (\$230,000) or use the proceeds for technology upgrades. The administration will present a recommendation at the next work session.

**3. Bus Garage Renovation:**

It is anticipated that the scaled-back project (\$50,000) will be started and finished this spring before the end of the school year with DCTC students.

**4. SR2S:**

The revenue was received, the check cleared, and the architect was paid. There were no district funds expended on the SR2S project.

**5. Contract Negotiation:**

Bill Eis plans to start negotiations late spring/early summer. Some confounding factors include the pending arbitration hearing, State of Michigan plans, and an anticipated greater participation than in the past on Grosse Ile by MEA representatives in the process. The committee informed the superintendent that the BOE strongly preferred having a settled contract before the 2011-12 academic year begins.

**6. 2011-12 Budget:**

Some factors that need consideration in the formulation of this budget include SOC, the arbitration hearing, the negotiation process, and the foreign tuition student program.

**7. Crazy Talk:**

With respect to contract negotiations, the committee recommends that time be devoted during the March or April work session to provide the superintendent with the degree of guidance and instruction that the board deems appropriate.

Adjourned: 6:45pm

Next Meeting: TBD

Respectfully submitted: Gregory Goyert