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Budget, Planning, Finance and Audit Committee Meeting
Tom Vaclavek, Committee Chairperson
Tuesday, August 18, 2020
Minutes

Present: Tom Vaclavek, Adam Guss, Jeremy Davis, Ron Ludwig, Steve Olson, Nicole Pavoris, Dave Secret, George DiVenere, Amy Blazer

- **Call to Order**
- **Roll Call**
- **Pledge of Allegiance**
- **Approval of June 11, 2020 Meeting Minutes**
- **Discussion and Recommendation of Swimming Pool Agreement**

Jeremy Davis, Assistant Superintendent - Finance and Operations presented the Sage YMCA Swimming Pool Rental Agreement for the 2020-2021 school year.

Mr. Davis reported that he negotiated an agreement with Sage YMCA regarding the use of its competition swimming pool for all D155 boys and girls swim team practices and home meets. The agreement stipulates practice times from 2:30 to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday, during the fall and winter swim seasons. The 2020-2021 rate will be \$392 per 2-hour practice. The cost of each swim meet will be \$1,000.00; the same rates as last year. The total cost for the pool rental for both the girls and boys seasons will be \$54,392, a slight decrease from last year based on the number of times the district will use the facility.

It was recommended that the Board approve the agreement with Sage YMCA regarding the use of its competition pool for the D155 swim team programs for the 2020-2021 school year.

- **Discussion and Recommendation of Contract for Student Engagement Monitoring System**

George DiVenere, Director of Technology presented AspireEDU, a student engagement monitoring system for the 2020-2021 school year.

Mr. DiVenere presented the monitoring system with the following key points:

- The AspireEDU system works in conjunction with our existing program, Canvas, which is where the information is captured from.

- AspireEDU automatically collects, measures and assess all student engagement.
- The system will show the student schedule, the last time the student logged into the system and what assignments are currently missing, if any.
- Reports which will run automatically will show if there is a trend of missing assignments or engagement with a specific class or across the board in all classes.
- The system has the ability to access student profiles; quickly and easily identify “at-risk” students.
- Notes can be added to the system with any information gathered regarding the student and their engagement. This provides valuable information for other teachers, counselors and DL’s to see and is kept secured within the system.
- The technology team would roll out the program to building administration to utilize identification of “at- risk” students. Building DL’s would monitor students and be able to communicate with the teacher and/or parents to better support the student to be successful with remote learning.

It was recommended that the Board approve the contract regarding the AspireEDU student engagement monitoring system in the amount of \$40,120. The district applied for and has received monies from the CARES Act, which will be used to pay for this purchase.

- **Public Comments**

No Public Comments

- **Adjourn**