

**Beaver Dam Unified School District
Board of Education Minutes**

**Operations Committee Meeting
January 24, 2022**

A meeting of the Operations Committee of the Board of Education was held on the above date at the Educational Service Center at 6:00 p.m. Board/Committee members present: Marge Jorgensen, Maria Mason, Gary Spielman, and Joanne Tyjeski.

Ms. Malkovich provided an update on Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) funding. The program is part of the third federal COVID-19 relief law which provides one-time funds for school districts. She reviewed the amount of funds the district is expected to receive in ESSER III funding and how the funds must be used. The district is obtaining feedback from all stakeholder groups via surveys, meetings, and public hearings. She shared the survey results in response to student needs and prevention and mitigation. She reviewed planning considerations and potential Teaching and Learning expenditures. There will be an opportunity for the public to provide feedback at an information session on February 14 prior to the regular monthly board business meeting.

Ms. Malkovich reported on the Request for Proposals for Spring 2022, which includes one for Food Service Management and one for Life and Health Insurance. The RfP process for food service management is strictly controlled by the USDA through the DPI. The district has contracted with Taher since 2012 and the contracts are for one year only but may be extended four years for a total of 5 years. The district selected to contract with Taher again in 2017. She shared the timeline and process that will be followed to select a food service management company. She reported that the district was notified last fall that its life insurance carrier is leaving the business of life insurance and will not be renewing policies. The district has received two proposals and a potential third option. She explained that the last RfP for health insurance was in 2017. The district selected Quartz Insurance and renewals have been favorable. The next renewal is expected in mid-February. The district's insurance broker, M3, recommended seeing what other carriers have to offer. M3 will issue the RfP in late January. The contract for health insurance begins on July 1, 2022.

The next committee meeting is scheduled for February 28, 2022, at 5:30 pm.