Regional School District 13 Board of Education Finance Committee Minutes of the meeting of Wednesday, March 27, 2013

Committee members present: Mary Jane Parsons, Bob Fulton, Jeremy Renninghoff, Joe Ochterski.

Administrators present: Mrs. Viccaro, Mr. Melnik, Mr. Fielding Other Board members present: Mrs. Flanagan, Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Buckheit, Mrs. Boyle

Mr. Fulton called the meeting to order at 5:44 p.m in the conference room at the Frank Ward Strong School.

Public comment: There was no public comment. Members of the public were present.

Approval of agenda: A motion was made by Mr. Renninghoff, seconded by Dr. Ochterski to approve the agenda with addition of approval of minutes from the 13th. By a voice vote with all in favor, the motion passed.

Approval of minutes: A motion was made by Dr. Ochterski, seconded by Mr. Renninghoff to approve the minutes of the meetings 13th and 20th March. By a voice vote with all in favor, the motion passed.

Next meeting: 5:30 PM, 24^h April at Korn.

Budget discussion: Capital Reserve- Nancy Boyle went over the projects that are being planned for FY 14. Since \$50K was cut at the last meeting, furniture replacement will be deferred. Mr. Renninghoff suggested that in order to avoid the perception that the Fund is becoming a "slush fund" that all appropriations be designated for specific projects. The \$18K difference between the \$250K transfer from the General Fund and the \$232K in project expenditures should be reconciled by designating the \$18K toward "District-Wide Major Building Repairs" (total now \$68K).

Mrs. Flanagan arrived at 5:50. Mrs. Buckheit and Ms. Parsons arrived at 6:03.

Request from Ted Lombardo: Mr. Lombardo would like to purchase a golf cart using excess gate receipts. The Committee chose to defer this decision to the administration. Mr. Renninghoff expressed that he is not opposed to the concept, as long as the gate receipts are fully paying for all the event-related expenditures (mainly officials), and any surplus can be used to enhance the athletic programs.

Mr. Fulton offered a proposal to reduce the special education budget and allow the administration to best determine how to reduce headcount, rather than be told to cut this position or that position.

Mr. Melnik gave written answers to Mr. Renninghoff's budget vs. actual analysis

spreadsheet.

A motion was made by Mr. Renninghoff, seconded by Dr. Ochterski to adjourn. By a voice vote with all in favor, the meeting was adjourned at 7:24 PM.

Jeremy Renninghoff