

Attendance: Sheri Gamba, Charles Cowens, Mike Wasilchin, Madeline Kronenberg, Tammy Campbell, Robert Studdiford, Barbara Snaith, Karen Pfeifer, Eileen Thibault

**1. Introductions**

The meeting was brought to order at 6:51 p.m. by Chair, Charles Cowens.

**2. Review and approve agenda**

Mr. Studdiford moved to approve the agenda. The agenda was approved unanimously.

**3. Review and approve minutes**

Minutes for May 22, 2007 and June 26, 2007 were passed out. The committee reviewed and approved the minutes as read.

**4. Report of Chair**

None.

**5. Discuss/take action on filling vacancies and review applications**

Ms. Campbell, Mr. Cowens and Mr. Reeves have applied to remain as members. There was no quorum. The question was asked if it is too much of an added burden for Ms. Kahn to attend the meetings. Ms. Campbell will check with her.

**6. Questions on budget impact for reorganization of legal services**

Ms. Gamba reported that the budget contains several hundred thousand dollars less for legal services than spent last year. The district eliminated the Legal Services Division and hired Jessica Romeo as the Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, also a lawyer. Mr. Cowens asked for two years of expenditures for outside legal fees. Mr. Wasilchin suggested we look into paid administrative leave – not fair to employer, students, staff and taxpayers. Ms. Gamba will do a spreadsheet on two years of legal fees.

**7. Recommendation on improvements for budget process and information per MGT section 3.3**

This committee will revisit the issue at the next meeting.

**8. New budget information**

Ms. Gamba will attend the Finance conference on September 4, and will come back with more information on the new budget. Mr. Wasilchin talked about the district's position on a single payer health care.

Fact-finding is scheduled for August 24. They will have 30 days to do the report. No strike can happen before the report comes back to the district. If they are successful in finding a settlement during fact-finding, that could put an end to fact-finding.

**9. Community comments and questions**

Good luck at the fact-finding meeting.

**10. Good of the order**

Meeting adjourned at 8:39 p.m.