

ISD Committee Meeting Minutes
March 17, 2011
9:30 a.m.

Livingston ESA
1425 W. Grand River
Howell, MI 48843
McGuffey Rooms

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order – Dennis Rogoszewski, Chairperson
- II. Introduction of Members/Guests – Dennis Rogoszewski, Chairperson
- III. Approval of February 17, 2011 Meeting Minutes
- IV. Tom DeLuca presented a request for ISDs to respond to a survey that he will be sending out shortly concerning LEA services provided by ISDs. The results of the survey will be shared.
- V. Legislative Update – Dan Olendorf, ESA Legislative Group
 - The emergency financial manager (EFM) bill was signed into law by Governor Snyder this morning.
 - The health care co-pay bill has been through the first hearing.
 - HB 4152 (union contract freeze) is out of committee.
 - HB 4306 (non-instructional services bidding) is still a work in progress.
 - Some push for reductions in community college funding.
 - Fund balance bill on hold – but could still be considered.
 - Governor focused on MPSERS issues.
 - State aid bill to be out of the House end of March, first of April. Some talk of ½ funding for ½ day kindergarten. If income tax on pensions does not pass, then there could be additional cuts to K-12. The Senate is still up in the air – could “roll up” categoricals. Sections 81, 52, and 62 could be in jeopardy.
 - Personal property taxes – considering having new investments be exempt.
 - March message on Monday the 21st to be about local governments.
 - April message to be about e-learning, early childhood, “The Way”, seat-time waivers and virtual university.
- VI. MSBO Update – Bob Dwan
 - Annual conference registrations ahead of last year.
 - a. State budget director to attend
 - b. The conference will be in Detroit in 2012.
 - MDE transparency – the 1011 and 1014 reports have been eliminated from their website
 - LEAs should calculate the effect of \$500 to \$600 per pupil foundation cuts on their 2011-2012 budgets.
- VII. Program:
 - a. Livingston ESA Transportation Collaborative
Presenter: Mike Hubert, Livingston ESA and Brian Marcel, Washtenaw ISD

- Livingston
 - No consultant involved
 - 4 of 5 districts participating
 - drivers employed by ISD (new contract)
 - monthly meeting of superintendents and 1 board member from each district
 - busses purchased from locals for \$1 each. ISD will replace busses over time and bill the locals over the lifetime of the bus.
 - Some allocation for administrative and payroll work billed to LEAs.
 - The busses have Livingston ISD and the LEA name on the side of the bus.
 - Considering buying a charter bus for special trips (athletics, field trips, etc.)
 - Sometimes one LEA's bus transports another LEA's kids.
 - The ISD bills monthly in advance with reconciliation to actual costs with the June billing.
 - Will consolidate purchases this year.
 - Routing is not consolidated at this time.

- Washtenaw
 - Started with consultant in January and implemented in July (doesn't recommend)
 - All 10 LEAs on board to begin, only 3 actually consolidated (but those who didn't join got contract concessions)
 - Must have Board commitment
 - Need to advertise as a part-time job as opposed to a career
 - Advantage of starting with no contract was that you could set the system up the way you want it
 - Using standardized routing software and will be going to central dispatch
 - Strongly suggests buying time keeping software
 - Beware of HR impact
 - Savings have been 15 to 21%.

VIII. Old Business - None

IX. Roundtable Discussion/Announcements

- Steven Ezikian to present to the House Fiscal Agency on March 29 about Section 51a(8) and 56
- MOE issues for districts, some dating back to 2007-2008
- Beware of unemployment costs being charged back to the district after the initial 26 weeks are paid.

X. Adjournment

Next meeting: May 19, 2011
 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
 MSBO