

Advisory Council Meeting  
January 5, 2012

In attendance: Dr. Tova Ben-Dov, Denise Heitman, Tony Vouvalides, Mike Henzel, Rosemary Kurac, Abbey Burns-Patterson, Helen Hodges, Joe Hunter, Christine O'Keefe

1. Budget Process

- Very important budget meeting on Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup>. The district has a \$200,000 deficit. Tova said two to two and a half positions might have to be eliminated. Those staff members would be informed prior to the January 28<sup>th</sup> meeting. This is due to a shrinking of surplus funds. Next year, kindergarten will be full day and the addition of one kindergarten will be added and has already been budgeted.

2. Community Planning Meeting February 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:15 P.M. in New Bridge Center Project Room.

- The River Edge Community will be invited to attend this meeting. River Edge Administrators and four or five REEA staff members are being asked to attend. The presentation will highlight the district's strengths and goals. Also the district's needs and strategies to meet these needs will be discussed.

3. Evaluation Process

- It was commented on some teacher observations that hallway bulletin boards were not displaying student work. This concern was brought to REEA for clarification.

4. Bulletin Boards

- At the last Advisory Meeting Tova asked that bulletin boards display student work. A discussion took place and Tova said bulletin boards must display student work inside

and outside the classrooms. The principals will share this with the staff at the staff meetings.

The next Advisory Meeting will be February 2, 2012 at Roosevelt.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen Hodges