Regular Board Meeting

September 15, 2025

AGENDA SECTION: Action Agenda

SUBJECT: Approval of Budget Amendment

BOARD POLICY: CE (Legal)

STRATEGIC GOAL(S): Financial Stewardship

FISCAL NOTE: See Administrative Considerations

PREPARED/PRESENTED BY: LaTisha Griffin/Darla Moss, Chief Financial Officer

Background Information

The Board of Trustees adopts the annual budget in June prior to the start of the fiscal year. Amendments are sometimes necessary to ensure the budget reflects current operational needs and unforeseen expenditures. This amendment proposes adjustments in the general operating budget and the child nutrition budget to align budget amounts with program requirements. There are no adjustments to the debt services budget.

Administrative Considerations

General Operating Budget – The general operating budget deficit has been reduced by \$1,354,272. By reviewing historical spending, funds that were not being utilized in previous years were identified and adjusted in the current year's budget accordingly. As a result, the deficit decreases from \$18,058,442 to \$16,704,170. The 2% salary increase approved by the Board in July is included. The district continues to evaluate expenditures each month with a focus on efficiency, sustainability, and academic priorities.

Child Nutrition Budget – The child nutrition budget deficit has been reduced by **\$193,827**. Cost savings were recognized through an assessment of staffing and operational efficiencies. The district will continue to evaluate expenditures each month to ensure resources are used effectively.

Debt Service Budget – There are no adjustments to the debt services budget.

Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board approve the proposed budget amendment to ensure that district resources are properly aligned to support instructional programs, operational needs, and financial compliance.

Communication Deployment

If approved, this amendment will be updated in the official budget documents and shared with budget managers. Adjustments will be reflected in the monthly financial reports presented to the Board.

Suggested Motion

"I move that the Board of Trustees approve the budget amendment as presented."

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. T. Lamar Goree Superintendent