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**CHELSEA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD UPDATE  
June 12, 2015**

**Closing of School**

We have a very successful and quiet close to the school year. There were no major incidents or discipline issues in the final week.

**Staffing**

As promised at the Board meeting, résumés for Katie Spisich and Jordan Miller are attached for your review. Apologies for the omission.

We interviewed for an early childhood Speech Pathologist and a middle school Teacher Consultant positions this week. We are recommending Jamie Jackson be hired as a speech pathologist and Sarah Radu be hired as the middle school TC; we will bring the recommendation to the June 22 meeting for board approval. Their résumés will be included in the June 22 packet. ☺

Final interviews for the North Creek position will happen early next week. That candidate recommendation will also be on the Board's agenda on June 22.

**Media**

I learned this week that Washtenaw Now will be ceasing publication as of July 1. That leaves just ChelseaUpdate.com and Mlive.com as our two local media outlets.

**Transition**

I am working on the transition plan and process. I have developed a list of topics to cover that are important in the short and longer term. I will be working through June 26. In the midst of that I am taking one more vacation day next Wednesday to address some personal and professional needs in Grand Haven. Additionally, I will be out of the office on June 23 and 24 at the superintendent's certification summer professional development. Be assured that the value of this investment realized here in Chelsea. I thank you for the support and opportunity. I am also supporting the athletic boosters at their golf outing on June 19.

**14-15 and 15-16 Budgets**

We have attached three budget documents in anticipation of the Budget Hearing on June 22. The documents are the 14-15 Year End Amendments, 15-16 Preliminary Budget, and the "Budget Projection" sheet. Here are the notes from Teresa on these three documents:

*“As previously discussed, it was updated just to get our grant funds in agreement with the State Numbers. The year end budget still shows the use of \$551,464 of fund equity.*

*I am still working on finding the remaining "pots" of money unused in 2014-15, but I do anticipate us coming in around \$200,000 better than the budget. It is hard to access the salary/retirement/fica accounts until after the last pay in June, but if anything changes (either way) I will let you know as soon as possible.*

*I have also attached the 2015-16 Preliminary Budget and updated Budget Projection sheet. At the Finance Committee meeting we had estimated using just under \$1 million of Fund Equity. Since that time the State has made a few changes to the State Aid funding which allowed us to lower that use to just under \$750,000. There is still quite a bit up in the air with regards to staff changes and placements that we do not fully know the dollar impact at this time, but we may even be able to take that a bit lower with the Fall Amendment. The remaining funds from 2014-15 will also play into the estimated fund equity percentage for 2015-16.”*

Additionally, we have attached the L-4029 that will be presented at the budget hearing. Important changes include:

- Sinking Fund levy set at 0.500 mills per our discussion at the work session this winter.
- 2009 Bond has dropped off as it was paid off with the May 2015 payment. Yay!

Please do not hesitate to give Teresa or I a call /email if you have any questions.

### **Upcoming Events**

- Monday, June 22 - 6:30 PM - Budget Hearing – WSEC
- Monday, June 22 - Immediately following the Budget Hearing - Board Meeting - WSEC
- Wednesday, June 24 – 6:30 PM – Special Meeting - WSEC
- Monday, July 13, 2015 - 6:30 PM - Board Meeting - WSEC
- Monday, August 10, 2015 - 6:30 PM - Board Meeting - WSEC
- Monday, August 24, 2015 - 6:30 PM - Board Meeting - WSEC

As always, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.