

# **Livonia Public Schools**

## ***Business Services Office***

Date: September 29, 2015

To: Andrea Oquist, Interim Superintendent

From: Lisa Abbey, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services

Re: Update on 2014-15 Financial Statements

We would like to update the Board of Education on the 2014-2015 audit and financial statements at the next Finance Committee meeting, October 5, 2015.

As you know, our fiscal year end is June 30 and throughout the summer we finalize our accounting entries and prepare for the annual audit of our financial statements. Typically, we will present the financial statements and the auditor's opinion in October or November.

This is the year that we are required to implement GASB #68. This pronouncement requires district's to include their portion of the underfunded statewide employee retirement system obligation. This new liability will be included in the district-wide portion of our financial statements. It does not affect the fund balance in our general fund or any future budgeting decisions. Again, the liability strictly reflect our district's proportionate share of the state's retirement system unfunded liability.

Many of the figures required to be incorporated into the financial statements must be provided by the Office of Retirement System (ORS) and audited by the Auditor General of the State of Michigan. The Auditor General has not yet issued an opinion and we cannot finalize the financial statements until their reports are complete. The Auditor General has indicated the report will be completed October 19, 2015 and Plante Moran can then complete the financial statements.

We plan to bring the financial statements to the November 2, 2015 finance committee. As we do not want to wait until November to update the Board of Education, we will bring our preliminary information to the October finance committee meeting.

Please add this item to the agenda and feel free to contact me if you have any questions. Thank you.

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c: Board of Education