2.1 PUBLIC HEARING ON THE 2025-2026 BUDGET

A. SUBJECT

This item is included on the agenda so the Board can conduct a public hearing on the budget, which is required by law.

B. INFORMATION

The Illinois Compiled Statutes (ILCS, in Chapter 105, Section 5/17-1), requires that a budget be on display for public inspection for at least thirty days prior to final action. The public notice of the public hearing must also be published in the newspaper 30 days prior to the public hearing. The proposed budget has been on display beyond the thirty-day period of time, having been placed on public display and having the notice published in <u>The Woodstock Independent</u> on August 20, 2025.

The Illinois Compiled Statutes, also require, that at least one public hearing be held regarding the budget prior to final action. Therefore, the Board is required by law to conduct this public hearing.

The purpose of this hearing is to give Board members and citizens of District 200 an opportunity to comment on the proposed budget. The 2025-2026 school year budget was presented in detail at the August 12, 2025 Board of Education meeting. The budget has been provided as a separate document.

When there is no longer any discussion related to the proposed budget, the Board will move on to the next agenda item; no action is taken during the public hearing.

An overview of the budget will occur under New Business at which time the Board will need to approve appropriate resolutions related to the 2025-26 budget.