

School Board Meeting/Workshop Date:

January 23, 2017

Subject:

2017-18 Budget Assumptions

Presenter:

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SUGGESTED SCHOOL BOARD ACTION:

Approve 2017-18 Budget Assumptions

DESCRIPTION:

The 2017-18 Budget Assumptions will provide the framework for developing next year's budget. The assumptions match those used in generating the financial projections for the next three years which was presented at the January 9th board work shop. However, there is a slight change in the superintendent contingency positions. The forecast included 12.3 FTE positions for the regular education program. The final total is set at 12.95 FTE positions, 10 of which have already been allocated to the sites leaving a net total of 2.95 FTE positions. Additionally, although not called out specifically, the forecast included a 1.0 FTE special education position.

The recommendation for the 2017-18 Budget Assumptions are as follows:

- Enrollment projections based on the November 2016 enrollment report
- \$189.55 board approved referendum approved in 2013-No additional referendum authority
- General Ed revenue formula allowance increases 1% and moves to \$6,128 for 2017-18
- Kindergarten projection assumes 99% of the students will attend full day program
- Special Education aid increases 1.0% (one percent)
- Literacy Aid implemented in 2012-13 continues through 2017-18
- OPEB contributions continue in 2017-18
- Maintain 2014-15 approved staffing ratios also used for 2016-17
- 1.0 FTE special education staffing contingency
- 2.95 FTE Superintendent Contingency staffing to address staffing issues (see note above)
- Continuation of 6.0 FTE for Class Size Reduction-includes Marketing budget and social workers
- Continuation of 6.0 FTE addition for Location Equity Revenue funding
- Salary and benefit changes based on settlements in place and market conditions for non-settled contracts
- Non-Salary, Non-Benefits Costs are estimated to increase at 0-5%
- Continued cost containment initiatives such as joint purchasing agreements, energy use reduction, paper reduction, insurance contracts, and other operational efficiencies
- QComp (PPD) continues for 2017-18 assuming matching revenues and expenditures
- \$400,000 to be allocated to assigned fund balance for technology set aside to be spent in the future