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To: Dr. Dave Palzet, Superintendent From: Griffin L. Sonntag, Business Manager/CSBO/Director of Transportation Date: February 1, 2023 Re: Five-Year Financial Projections Executive Summary

## Purpose

Annually, following the completion and presentation of the audit, the Board is provided with a report examining the financial health of the district five years into the future. This is an important step in the process of keeping the district on a successful financial path going forward. This report illustrates the district's ability to pay for and provide the necessary services to educate our students. It also supports the preparation of the next fiscal year's budget as well as long-term planning.

The ability to examine different scenarios is vital as there are so many unknowns each year. We use a powerful web-based product called 5Cast which allows us to change the variables within the models that we create. These variables are called assumptions and are outlined below.

## Assumptions

There are many assumptions that must be made as the future is unknown. These assumptions include trends, history, current data, enrollment, staffing, capital needs, technology, salaries, benefits, economic conditions, new property growth, and new legislation just to name some of them. By making changes to these assumptions, the impact can be extrapolated out into the future.

## Upcoming Known Capital Expenditures

Following the five-year capital spending plan conducted last school year, there are some known expenditures needed. This summer, we are planning to replace the middle school roofs, the APR roof at the elementary, rooftop HVAC units at both the elementary school and middle school, and remove the first-grade walls. Looking ahead to the future years, we need to replace the univents at the elementary school, replace the building automation system across the district (HVAC controls), redesign play spaces/parking lots at the middle school, and other items identified in the five-year capital spending plan. While we don't have the exact costs of these expenditures, we have estimates that are factored into our five-year projections.

## Conclusions

Overall, the district's financial health is very good. As is reported in the FY22 Annual Financial Report, our fund balances are \$15,755,929. I want to acknowledge and give credit to past school boards, administrators, and staff who have been great stewards of our taxpayers' money while providing an exceptional education for our students. While these capital projects are necessary, the projections show that if the district continues to monitor its overall spending, these projects, and others that may come up, can be accomplished while maintaining the overall financial health of the district.