



Finance & Operations Committee

October 6, 2022

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Meeting called to order by Committee Chair: Brooks 5:00 p.m.

Board of Ed members present: Brooks, Christenson (Kehoe absent)

District staff present: Piesz, Merritt, Kling, Gruszczynski, Jory

Citizen Representatives present: Roderique **Other Citizen(s):** John Johnston

Public Comments - none.

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes – September 22, 2022 - approved.

Financial Statements for Year Ending June 30, 2022 – Ms. Piesz shares with the committee that the auditors will be coming to do their audit presentation at the next meeting. Today we have a more detailed look at the General Fund numbers, while the Plante & Moran auditors will give more of a big picture look that includes all funds. We preview a PowerPoint presentation that will be shown at Tuesday night's Board meeting. The presentation shows final numbers for the 2021-2022 fiscal year. This presentation bridges the gap between the final budget amendment and the actual numbers for the year ended June 30, 2022.

The overall revenue received as of June 30, 2022 was approximately 100.07% of the total budget. This percentage is slightly higher than the final amended budget.

The overall expenditures through June were approximately 99.27% of budgeted amounts, which is consistent with historical averages. Due to the differences in timing of the receipt of goods, and the unanticipated items such as higher than expected payments for teachers covering vacancies, and capital lease payments made in June 2022 for copy machines, the net decrease in fund balance is \$1,521,616 lower than the final amended budget, which results in a fund balance of approximately \$40.9 million or 21.5% of current General Fund expenditures at June 30, 2022.

Annual Summer Tax Levy Resolution – Ms. Piesz explains to the committee that this is an annual resolution that we use to facilitate our communication with all of the municipalities included in our district. The school district covers Canton Township, Plymouth Township, City of Plymouth, Salem Township, Superior Township, and Northville Township. The municipalities need to be notified in writing that this resolution has been approved by December 31st of every year.. This is the 18 mills tax on non-homestead properties within the district.

Property Tax Discussion – We are bringing this to the attention of the committee and the Board so all are aware of the issue. Due to the purchase of the commercial building at 14967 Pilot Drive, we have been assessed for the 2022 property tax on that property. At the time of purchase Webasto paid the summer and winter tax for 2021. However, state statute says that, because Webasto was the owner of the building on December 31, 2021, taxes were assessed for 2022. Since the building later changed hands, the new owner (P-CCS) is responsible for paying those taxes, whether they are a tax exempt organization or not. We have had district counsel review and confirm that P-CCS will be responsible for paying approximately \$73,000 for summer taxes and approximately \$17,000 for winter property taxes for the year 2022 only. For 2023 and beyond P-CCS will be exempt from paying the property taxes associated with the Pilot Drive Property.

Adjourned: **5:39 p.m.**