

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
CINCINNATI, OHIO**

PROCEEDINGS

**BUSINESS MEETING
Remote Video Conferencing by BlueJeans**

December 2, 2020

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REGULAR MEETING

The Board of Education of the City School District of the City of Cincinnati, Ohio, met pursuant to its calendar of meetings using Remote Video Conferencing by BlueJeans, Wednesday, December 2, 2020 at 4:26 p.m., President Jones in the chair. The pledge to the flag was led by Member Messer.

ROLL CALL

Present: Members Bates, Bolton, Bowers, Lindy, Messer, Moroski, President Jones (7)

Absent: None

Superintendent Catherine L. Mitchell was present.

REPORT OF THE BUDGET, FINANCE and GROWTH COMMITTEE

The Budget, Finance and Growth Committee met on Thursday, November 19, 2020, at 1:30 PM via the Blue Jeans Video Conferencing Tool.

The public viewed the meeting via Video Conference.

ATTENDEES

Finance Committee Members

Chairperson Eve Bolton, Melanie Bates, Ben Lindy

Administrators

Laura Mitchell, Superintendent; Jennifer Wagner, Treasurer/CFO; Kevin Ashley, Director of Finance Reporting; Loren Johnson, Director of Transportation; Lauren Roberts, Director of Internal Audits

CPS Government Liaisons

Eric Kearney, CEO, Kearney and Kearney
George Glover, Co-Managing Director, Focused Capital
Solutions

Governmental Liaison Report on Particular and Immediate Legislative Topics

Mr. Kearney began his update with a recap of the November 3, 2020 election.

He also reported that Robert R. Cupp will remain the speaker for the House of Representatives and that former CPS School Board member Bill Seitz will be the House Majority Leader. Senator Matt Huffman will also serve as the new Senate President.

Mr. Kearney reported that Paul LaRue's appointment to the State Board of Education passed the Senate Education Committee.

He also informed the Committee that the House Session will meet on November 19, 2020, and the Senate Session will be conducted on December 2, 2020.

REPORT OF THE BUDGET, FINANCE and GROWTH COMMITTEE
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Governmental Liaison Report on Particular and Immediate Legislative Topics (cont.)

Mr. Kearney informed the Committee about the following Senate Bills.

- CPS, Loren Michael Johnson, Director of Transportation, Provide Testimony
S.B. 350 (Brenner) To prohibit school districts from providing vouchers for public transportation to students enrolled in grades kindergarten through eight for the 2020-2021 school year. Education Committee. 4th Hearing on November 17, 2020. CPS testimony is found in the link above. Opposed by OSBA, BASA, and OASBO testimony.
- Sub. S.B. 89 (Huffman) To amend sections 3302.03, 3313.14, 3313.482, 3313.618, 3313.903, 3317.023, 3319.226, 3326.032, 3333.162, 3333.94, 3365.01, 3365.02, 5709.62, 5709.63, 5709.632, 5709.82, and 5709.83, to enact sections 3301.0730, 3317.037, and 3319.2211, and to repeal section 3313.6113 of the Revised Code with regard to career-technical education and the compensation of joint vocational school districts located in enterprise zones, and to make changes regarding STEM school report cards. Passed Senate (31-0) 10/23/19. Passed House on 2/5/20. House insists on amendments and asks for conference committee on February 12, 2020.

Various Amendments were added including:

- * the value-added progress dimension shall not apply to career-technical course or joint vocational school;
 - * fiscal officers not liable for acting with reasonable care; permits a career center to receive a STEM or STEAM school equivalent designation;
 - * moves back one year, the DOE's study of economically disadvantaged students;
 - * changes Ed Choice program to Buckeye Opportunity Scholarship program;
 - * specifies that base family income to be eligible for the scholarship is 250% of the federal poverty guidelines; and
 - * establishes the State Education Assessments Study Committee comprised of 5 Representatives and 5 Senators which must submit a report on October 1, 2020.
- H.B. 305 (Cupp & Patterson) To create a new school financing system, and to make an appropriation. Referred to House Finance Committee on June 30, 2019.

Mr. Kearney reported that he feels something may happen on this issue at the end of year 2020. He and Mr. Glover are monitoring the Bill on the Democratic and Republican sides. Mr. Kearney stated that this Bill is the number one issue for school districts in the State of Ohio.

A copy of the full monthly legislative report is available upon request and in the Board Office.

Treasurer Wagner inquired if Senator Huffman has provided any information about an Alternative Funding Formula. Mr. Kearney advised that he has not received any information.

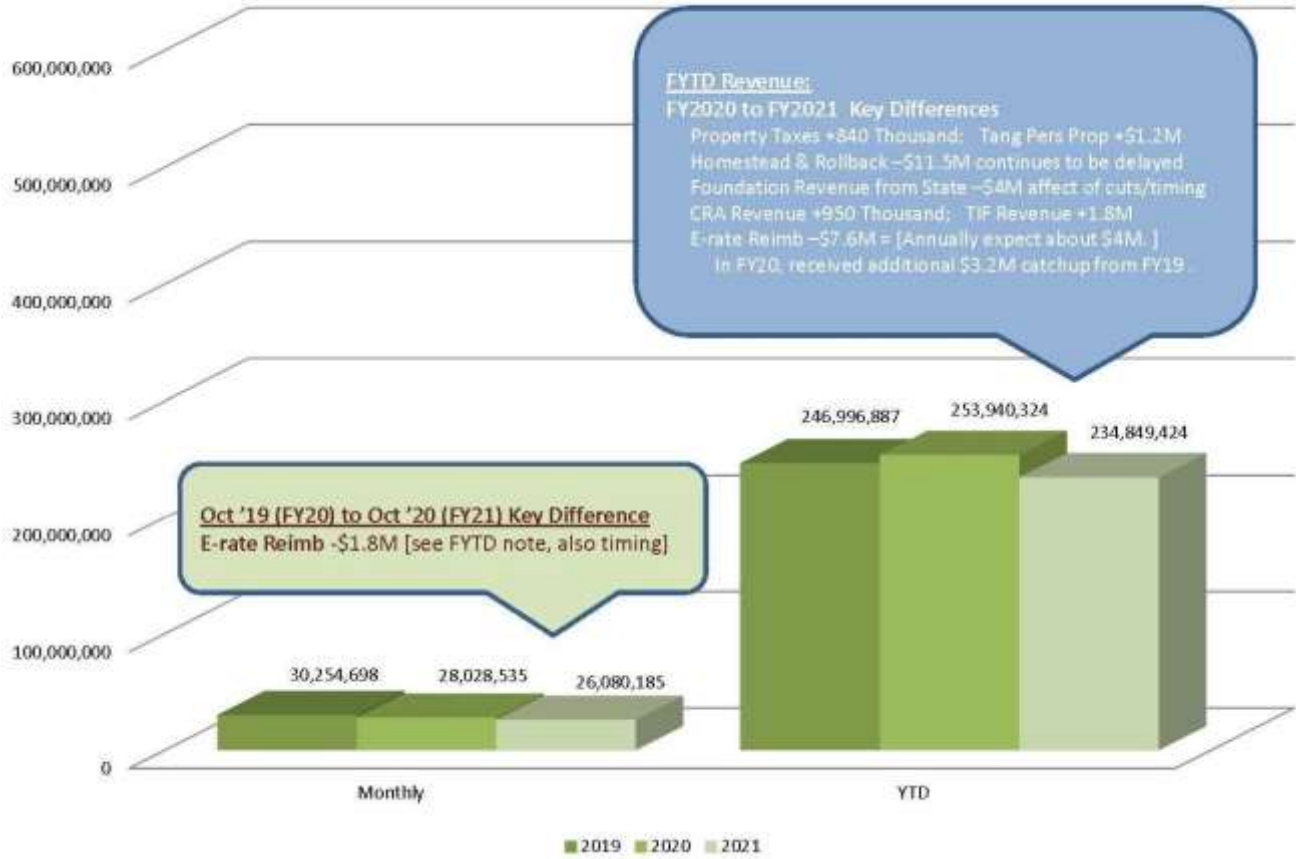
A copy of the full report is available in the Board office and upon request.

Treasurer Financial Update

Kevin Ashley, Director of Financial Reporting, updated the Committee on the following financials.

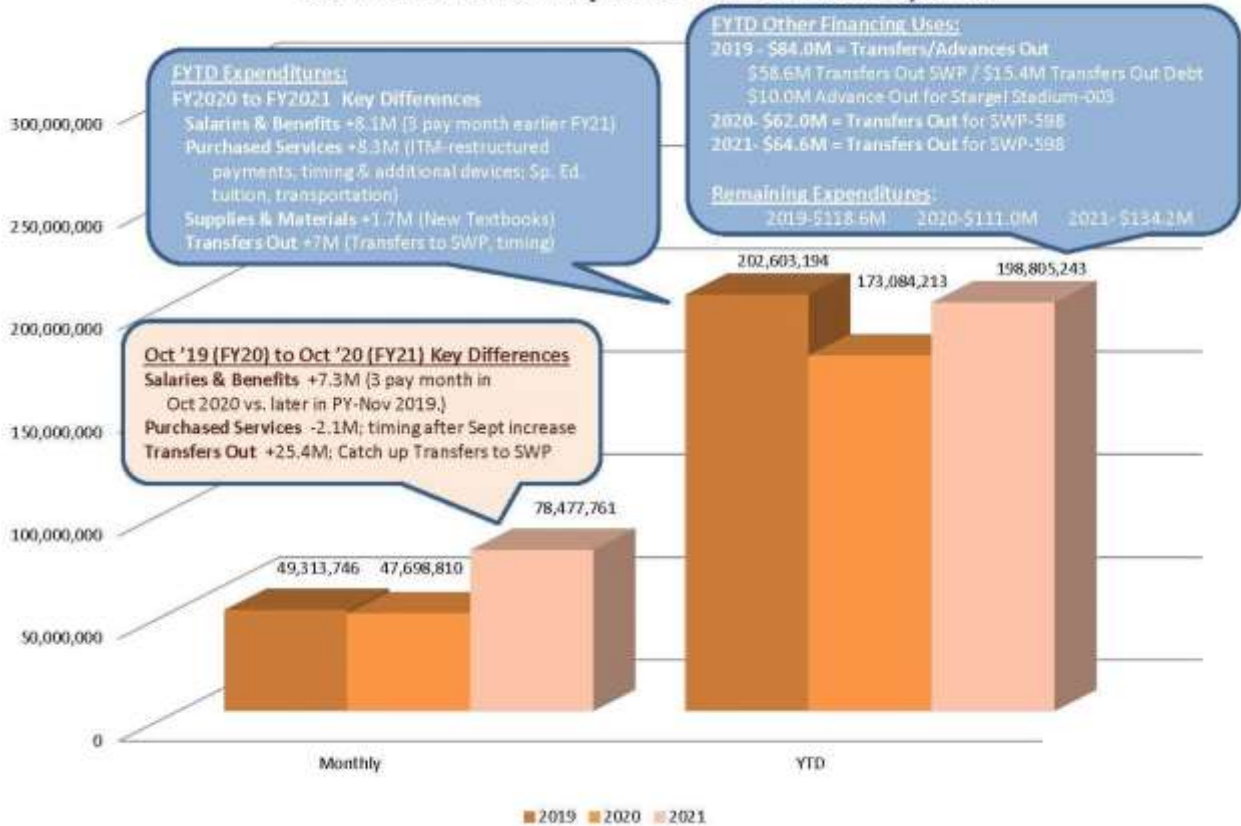
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CPS General Fund: Revenues - October 31, 2020

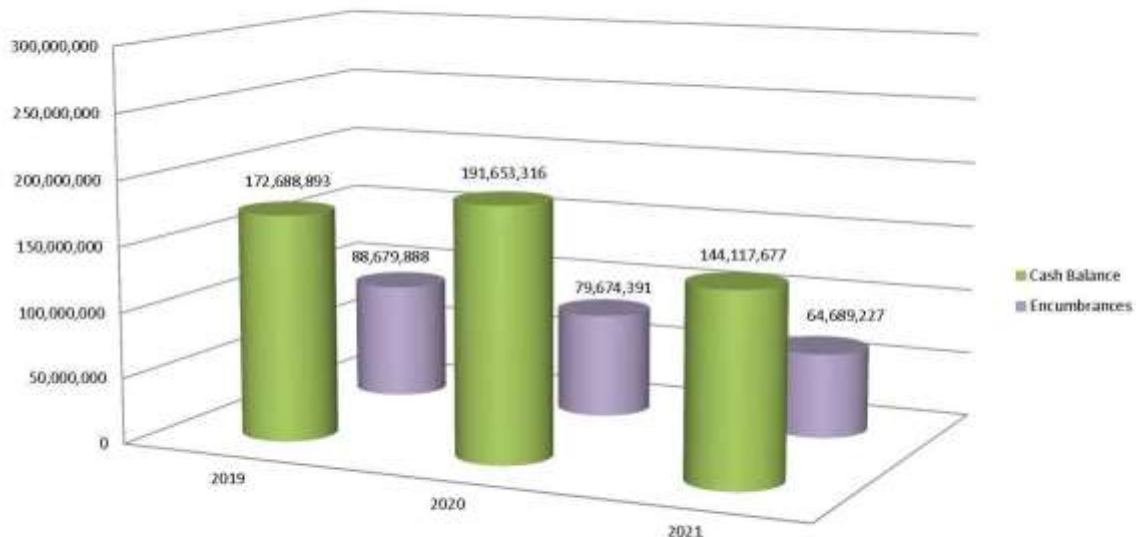


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CPS General Fund: Expenditures - October 31, 2020



CPS General Fund - Cash & Encumbrances - October 31, 2020



Cash Balance decrease results from decreased Cash Balance at 7/1/20 vs. 7/1/19, and:
Decreased FYTD Revenues for delayed Homestead & Rollback and less E-rate Reimbursement for FY21, and
Increased FYTD Expenditures for Payroll timing, Purchases Services and Transfers Out to SWP.

REPORT OF THE BUDGET, FINANCE and GROWTH COMMITTEE
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State & Federal Grants

October 2020 (FY21)

	State	Federal	Combined FY21 Oct 2020	PRIOR FY20 Oct 2019
Beg Cash, July 1	\$11,162,779	\$14,424,711	\$25,587,490	\$7,425,983
FYTD Receipts	8,682,860	8,979,655	17,662,515	16,614,597
FYTD Expenditures	5,205,801	18,951,474	24,157,275	19,986,900
Current Encumbrances	5,438,978	8,311,327	13,750,305	6,298,112
Current Ending Cash	\$9,200,860	(\$3,858,435)	\$5,342,425	(\$2,244,432)

Note: FY21 Beginning Balance includes additional funds related to CARES Act funds allocated to Fund 507; increased Title I Funds (Federal) and Student Wellness & Success Funds (State) received later in the Prior Year. FY21 Receipts related to Reimbursements are currently delayed. FY21 Expenditures and Encumbrances are higher, due in part, to Student Wellness & Success Funds.

Mr. Ashley updated the Committee on the following 2018 Certificates of Participation (COPS). COPS is a debt issuance that works like a lease. Mr. Ashley reported that the COPS are used to fund various building improvement projects. The District makes lease or debt payments.

He reported that since August 2020, \$300,000 of what was encumbered has now been expended.

2018 Certificates of Participation (COPS) Debt Issuance
Spend Down of Proceeds - Status

Spend Down Deadline = 09/27/21

As of October 31, 2020			Through Oct 31, 2020	As of Oct 31, 2020	Total Expenditures Plus O/S Enc	Unencumbered/ Remaining Balance	
Fund-SCC	Building Improvement Project	Object Description	All Years Total Expenditures	Current Outstanding Encumbrances			
003-1321C	Mercy	Other Prof Tech Services	\$352,449.78	\$349,984.28	\$0.00	\$349,984.28	\$2,465.50
		Buildings	10,955,432.49	10,832,291.77	123,886.34	10,956,178.11	(745.62)
		Equipment	1,156,154.65	1,156,154.65	0.00	1,156,154.65	0.00
			12,464,036.92	12,338,430.70	123,886.34	12,462,317.04	1,719.88
003-1322C	CANS	Other Prof Tech Services	172,578.49	158,812.07	12,022.88	170,834.95	1,743.54
		Buildings	4,504,631.68	4,457,693.59	42,574.93	4,500,268.52	4,363.16
		Improvements (Non Bldg)	108,687.47	96,404.10	0.00	96,404.10	12,283.37
		Equipment	32,258.36	32,258.36	0.00	32,258.36	0.00
	4,818,156.00	4,745,168.12	54,597.81	4,799,765.93	18,390.07		
003-1323C	Carthage/LEAP	Other Prof Tech Services	34,250.00	32,971.83	1,278.17	34,250.00	0.00
		Buildings	1,985,750.00	1,158,829.82	826,920.18 *	1,985,750.00	0.00
			2,020,000.00	1,191,801.65	828,198.35	2,020,000.00	0.00
003-1324C	North Fairmount	Other Prof Tech Services	34,250.00	30,060.54	4,189.46	34,250.00	0.00
		Buildings	1,985,750.00	1,985,750.00	0.00 *	1,985,750.00	0.00
			2,020,000.00	2,015,810.54	4,189.46	2,020,000.00	0.00
		Totals	\$21,322,192.92	\$20,291,211.01	\$1,010,871.96	\$21,302,082.97	\$20,109.95

Footnote:

* - Contracts related to these Improvement projects exceed available COPS Proceed Funds and the remaining contract expenses are encumbered in the General Fund.

REPORT OF THE BUDGET, FINANCE and GROWTH COMMITTEE
(cont.)

Current Total Usage (Ridership, Resource Holding Costs and Contract Status for Transportation)

Loren Johnson, Director of Transportation, reported that he has seen decreases in yellow bus service or ridership levels due to Distance learning.

Mr. Johnson reported that vendors are doing attendance counts on the vehicles. This process is a week's worth of data that is provided on a daily basis and teams of individuals identify if students are riding or not riding the bus. This also includes charter and non-public schools.

He also reported that notifications are sent to parents if a student is noted to not be riding the bus for more than five days. Conversations will take place with the parents about the whereabouts of the child.

He informed the Committee that yellow bus ridership has decreased in the thousands since October and since going to remote based learning. This is also occurring with charter and non-charter schools because of remote learning.

Mr. Johnson is working with Metro on overall services for students. He reported that his audit for charter services identified 2,000 to 3,000 unrestricted Metro cards that were allocated for students. He reported the cards are \$315 per individual. A credit will be given back to the District once the cards are returned back.

Mr. Johnson reported that three yellow bus vendors provide transportation services for the District on a daily basis (First Student and UTS combine accounts for approximately 95 percent of CPS services; with remaining services provided by Queen City Transportation. Chartered services for nonpublic and community schools are allocated to First Student Inc., Petermann, and Queen City Transportation LLC. UTS is the only vendor that exclusively provides services to CPS schools only.

He also reported that both vendors' rates fluctuate during the week. Fluctuation in cost is due to the day that buses provide service and when the buses are in full service. It also varies based on how schools are shutting down, which changes cost projections.

Mr. Johnson informed the group that transportation contracts are now in their fifth and final year, and that he will be working with Superintendent Mitchell, Mr. Hoying, and Ms. Trimble-Oliver about how to proceed with the contracts for the upcoming year.

Ms. Bolton informed the group that the Finance Committee will be reviewing contracts in December 2020. Traditionally on an annual basis, the Finance Committee reviews those vendor contracts that are \$200,000 or more; however this year the contracts reviewed will be for a lesser amount.

Mr. Johnson informed the Committee that transportation costs for UTS since the opening of school in August, are over \$1 million. UTS services all CPS schools.

He reported that costs for First Student are close to \$1.7 million, since August. They also provide transportation for the satellite locations.

The total approximate usage cost to the District is \$2.5 million for the months of August, September, and October 2020.

ACTION: Mr. Johnson, at the December 17 Finance Committee meeting, will update the group about how much it costs the District to hold the resources available to CPS whether or not those services are needed for in person or not. The report will include the specific daily costs for the first and second semesters, as well as disaggregating the data until the public knows how much the District is paying for charter, non-public, and CPS schools transportation.

ACTION: Mr. Johnson will inform the Committee about how many high school and charter school students have Metro cards.

REPORT OF THE BUDGET, FINANCE and GROWTH COMMITTEE
(cont.)

Current Total Usage (Ridership, Resource Holding Costs and Contract Status for Transportation) (cont.)

Mr. Johnson reported that he works with Metro to give students special passes to use outside of school for special purposes like getting to work, a need to leave school early, taking tests and other special circumstances.

Ms. Bolton informed the group that the Board and CPS partners may be requesting transportation to help students maintain vision and dental services. This will occur in year 2021.

Preview and Discussion Regarding the Five-Year Forecast with Special Focus on the Financial Impact of COVID 19 and The Reconsideration of the CPS Strategic Plan's Third Year

Treasurer Wagner's presentation states that the purpose of the Five-Year Forecast is to:

- Monitor and report school district solvency – Focus on the General Operating Fund
- Supports Financial Transparency
- Tool to plan for future financial decision making
- The Format of Forecast is standardized and required by the Ohio Department of Education
 - Three years of actual data, current year (budget) and four years of forecasted data
- Filed twice a year
 - November
 - May

Ms. Wagner reported during her update on Revenues, Expenditures and Cash, that the new budget cycle will be used as a scope to help determine the impact on how things for the Strategic Plan would impact the budget.

A copy of the full report is available upon request and in the Board office.

THE FOLLOWING PORTION OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING
IS FOR INFORMATION ONLY DUE TO THE LACK OF A QUORUM

Established Cuts, Pauses, Repurposes and Revenue Assumptions for the Current FY2021 Budget

Treasurer Wagner updated the Committee on the following variables contained in her report.

- FY2021 Budget Rebuild Timeline (Post COVID) June – November
- The Budget Story (1) CPS FY2020 + FY21 Enrollment Growth; Strategic Plan Investments; COVID Expenses; Other
- Efforts to Close the GAP
 - Review Revenue Assumptions (Sep)
 - November Forecast Impact
- General Fund Budget Status
- Cancellations/Deferrals/Reductions
- Employee Position Analysis
- Staffing Dilemma

REPORT OF THE BUDGET, FINANCE and GROWTH COMMITTEE
(cont.)

Audit Committee Appointments and Regular Business

Internal Audit Director Lauren Roberts updated the Committee on the reappointments.

The Audit Committee discussed the reappointments at their October 21, 2020, Audit Committee meeting and recommended the following reappointments with the specified terms:

Audit Committee Members	Period of Term
Jennifer Couser	1/1/2021 - 12/31/2023
Christine Fisher	1/1/2021 - 12/31/2023
Carol Mitchell-Lawrence	1/1/2021 - 12/31/2023
Clarice Warner	1/1/2021 - 12/31/2023

Due to the lack of a quorum, the Budget, Finance and Growth Committee will submit the recommended appointments to the Board at the November 23, 2020, Regular Business meeting for review and action.

Chairperson Bolton reported that the Local School Decision Meeting Committee meeting that took place on November 18, 2020, was a very good and constructive meeting.

She also informed the Committee that a budget hearing will take place during the November 19, 2020, Budget, Finance and Growth Committee meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 3:09 pm.

Finance Committee

Eve Bolton, Chair
Melanie Bates
Ben Lindy

Staff Liaisons

Jennifer Wagner, CFO/Treasurer
Laura Mitchell, Superintendent

Mr. Messer moved that the Report of the Budget, Finance and Growth Committee be accepted.

Passed viva voce.

President Jones declared the motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS

1. Gallup Employee Survey – Susan Bunte, Assistant Superintendent
2. Safety Planning Update – Sarah Trimble-Oliver, Chief Strategy Officer

ANNOUNCEMENTS/HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

Kudos to:

1. Member Messer – Matt Woods of Woods Hardware donated 30,000 masks, 36,000 3 ply masks and 24 boxes of N95 masks and 180 gallons of hand sanitizer for thinking about our district during these challenging times and delivering those supplies.

The following persons addressed the Board regarding the topics indicated:

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Yousuf Munir 2. Alice Flanders 3. Seth Webber 4. Ozzie Davis 5. Julie Sellers 6. Brian Taylor | <p>Cincinnati Police Department/School Resource Officers removal from CPS schools</p> <p>Cincinnati Police Department/School Resource Officers removal from CPS schools</p> <p>Cincinnati Police Department/School Resource Officers removal from CPS schools</p> <p>Extend time of Executive Session or change Board meeting start time, Administration decide if parents should be allowed to attend Athletic events</p> <p>CFT</p> <p>Cincinnati Police Department/School Resource Officers removal from CPS schools</p> |
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BOARD MATTERS

1. Continued Review of Anti-Racism Policy
2. Board Development and Planning

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING AUTHORITY FROM THE HAMILTON COUNTY BUDGET COMMISSION TO FILE A MODIFIED TAX BUDGET FOR THE 2020/2021 FISCAL YEAR

WHEREAS, Section 5705.28 of the Ohio Revised Code requires a board of education to adopt an annual tax budget on or before January 15th for the next succeeding fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, Section 5705.281 of the Ohio Revised Code authorizes the county budget commission to waive the requirement that a school district adopt a tax budget as provided under Section 5705.28 of the Ohio Revised Code, and instead authorize the board of education to provide such information to the county budget commission as may be required by the commission to perform its duties under Chapter 5705 of the Ohio Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, the Hamilton County Auditor has informed the Board of Education of the Cincinnati City School District (the "Board of Education") that it is required to pass a Resolution authorizing the Treasurer of the Board of Education to make a request to waive the requirement of the adoption of a tax budget, and instead request to file a modified tax budget in accordance with Section 5705.281 of the Ohio Revised Code; and

**A RESOLUTION REQUESTING AUTHORITY FROM THE HAMILTON COUNTY BUDGET COMMISSION TO
FILE A MODIFIED TAX BUDGET FOR THE 2020/2021 FISCAL YEAR**

(cont.)

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has utilized a modified tax budget in prior years and believes that its continued use is advantageous since it provides additional information on the long-term financial plan of the District and utilizes a format that has become familiar to the Board of Education and its community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Cincinnati City School District Board of Education as follows:

Section 1. The Treasurer of the Board of Education is hereby authorized and directed to request the ability to file a modified tax budget for the 2021/2022 fiscal year. The Treasurer shall make said request by sending a letter addressed to the Hamilton County Budget Commission and including a copy of this Resolution with the letter.

Section 2. The Treasurer of the Board of Education is hereby authorized and directed to do all things necessary to ensure the Board of Education may utilize the modified tax budget for the 2021/2022 fiscal year.

Section 3. It is found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning or related to the adoption of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board, and all deliberations of this Board and any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were adopted in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all applicable requirements of the Ohio Revised Code.

Eve Bolton

Ms. Bolton moved and Mr. Moroski seconded the motion A Resolution Requesting Authority from the Hamilton County Budget Commission to File A Modified Tax Budget for the 2020/2021 Fiscal Year be approved.

Ayes: Members Bates, Bolton, Bowers, Lindy, Messer, Moroski, President Jones (7)

Noes: None

President Jones declared the motion carried.

**A RESOLUTION COMPLETING THE EVALUATION OF
SUPERINTENDENT CATHERINE LAURA MITCHELL**

WHEREAS, on May 9, 2017, the Cincinnati Board of Education unanimously selected Catherine Laura Mitchell to become the 27th Superintendent of Cincinnati Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, the Cincinnati Board of Education completes an annual performance review of the Superintendent; and

WHEREAS, the Cincinnati Board of Education agreed upon individual Superintendent Competencies with Measureable Indicators;

**A RESOLUTION COMPLETING THE EVALUATION OF
SUPERINTENDENT CATHERINE LAURA MITCHELL**
(cont.)

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Cincinnati Board of Education acknowledges her dedication and hard work within the District; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Cincinnati Board of Education also acknowledges her outreach to the greater Cincinnati Public Schools community and recommends a performance stipend of \$12,000.00;

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Cincinnati Board of Education further acknowledges her desire to set measurable goals against the backdrop of challenging urban educational and economic challenges.

CINCINNATI BOARD OF EDUCATION

Carolyn Jones, President
Ryan Messer, Vice President
Melanie Bates
Eve Bolton
Pamela Bowers
Ben Lindy
Mike Moroski

Mr. Moroski moved and Mr. Messer seconded the motion A Resolution Completing the Evaluation of Superintendent Catherine Laura Mitchell be approved.

Ayes: Members Bates, Bolton, Bowers, Lindy, Messer, Moroski, President Jones (7)
Noes: None

President Jones declared the motion carried.

REVISED

**RECOMMENDATIONS
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS
CINCINNATI PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

RECOMMENDATION 1 – CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

- A. CHANGE IN STATUS**
- B. ADJUSTMENT OF SALARY**
- C. ADDITIONAL ASSIGNMENT**

RECOMMENDATION 2 – CIVIL SERVICE PERSONNEL

- A. SERVICES COMPLETED**
- B. APPOINTMENT**
- C. ADJUSTMENT OF SALARY**
- D. CHANGE IN STATUS**

RECOMMENDATION 1 - CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

A. CHANGE IN STATUS

(A movement from one position to another, but not considered a promotion.)

The Superintendent recommends approval of a change in status for the following. Funding is from the General Fund. Effective date is as indicated.

<u>Long Term Substitute Teacher</u>			From:	
Randall A. Bennett	AMIS	September 22	Class III Sub	\$127.95 daily
Timek Williams Dah	Rees E. Price	October 11	Class IV Sub	160.00 daily
Paula Denise Davis	Taft High School	October 11	Class III Sub	127.95 daily
<u>Substitute Teacher – Class VI – \$160.00 per day</u>			From:	
Tonya R. Dumas		November 4	Long Term Sub	Riverview

B. ADJUSTMENT OF SALARY

(Occurs when an employee presents documentation of additional training or experience credit.)

The Superintendent recommends an adjustment of salary for the following persons based on degree or additional credit as indicated. Salary is in accordance with the salary schedule. Funding is from the General Fund. Effective date is as indicated.

<u>Teacher - Class V – (Master’s Degree plus 30 semester hours)</u>				
Daneine Fields	To: \$58,193.41	From: \$55,514.73		November 8

C. ADDITIONAL ASSIGNMENT

(Provides for employment of personnel beyond the work day or contractual work period, and administrators beyond assigned work period. Examples: workshops, evening school teaching, club sponsorship, coaching, curriculum writing.)

The Superintendent recommends approval of the following additional assignments. Assignment is subject to the possession of appropriate certification and licensure as required by the Ohio Revised Code and/or Policies of the Cincinnati Board of Education. Salary is in accordance with the salary schedule as indicated. Funding is from the General Fund and (*) denotes other than General Fund.

The following are recommended for a stipend to for the 2020-21 school year. Quarterly payments totaling stipends listed below.

Facilitator Stipend – \$6,500.00 - (Workforce Development)

Laura A. Sanregret*

RECOMMENDATION 1 - CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL (cont.)**C. ADDITIONAL ASSIGNMENT** (cont.)

The following teachers are recommended to receive supplemental contracts for the school year 2019-20. Payment will be as provided under the Athletic and Co-curricular Activities of Schedules E and F of the Professional Salary Schedule for the amount shown as maximum salary. Salaries that include a 10% longevity increment are indicated by a number sign (#) and @ indicates 50% time. Funding is from the General Fund. The supplemental limited contract shall state that the Board of Education gives notice of non-reemployment for the ensuing school year.

<u>Name</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Britton Lynn Thornberry	Walnut Hills	MS Softball Coach	1,415.47

The Cincinnati Public Schools Board of Education authorizes the Treasurer to compensate, either through payout or rollover, for Annual Leave that was unable to be used during the 2019-20 school year due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

RECOMMENDATION 2 - CIVIL SERVICE PERSONNEL**A. SERVICES COMPLETED**

(Marks the end of a temporary assignment.)

The services of the following, temporarily appointed, have been completed effective as indicated.

Shameka Dockery	Food Service Helper	Various	November 20
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B. APPOINTMENT

The Superintendent recommends the appointment of the following on the dates indicated and at the appropriate rate of pay calculated pursuant to the current salary schedule. These appointments are in compliance with Civil Service Rules and Regulations. Positions involving co-curricular activities were filled in compliance with Section 3313.53 of O.R.C. Funding is from the General Fund, except as otherwise noted by an asterisk (*).

<u>Custodian (Classified)</u>			
Ronald Lawson	\$15.76 hr.	To Be Determined	November 30

C. ADJUSTMENT OF SALARY

The Cincinnati Board of Education approves a 3% performance increase for Treasurer Jennifer M. Wagner, effective 8/1/2020 based on her performance evaluation from the 2020-21 school year.

RECOMMENDATION 2 - CIVIL SERVICE PERSONNEL**D. CHANGE IN STATUS**

(A movement from one position to another, but not considered a promotion.)

The Superintendent recommends approval of a change in status for the following. Funding is from the General Fund, except as otherwise noted by an asterisk (*).

<u>Food Service Helper</u> (Unclassified)		From			
Keira Houston	\$16.02 hr.	Woodward	Paraprofessional	\$16.89 hr.	November 23

The Cincinnati Public Schools Board of Education authorizes the Treasurer to compensate, either through payout or rollover, for Annual Leave that was unable to be used during the 2019-20 school year due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

Catherine L. Mitchell
Superintendent of Schools

Mr. Messer moved and Mr. Moroski seconded the motion that The Revised Report of the Superintendent be approved.

Ayes: Members Bates, Bolton, Bowers, Lindy, Messer, Moroski, President Jones (7)

Noes: None

President Jones declared the motion carried.



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REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Fund Legend

Fund #	Fund Description	Purpose
001	General Fund	Set of accounts used to show all ordinary operations of a school system, generally all transaction which do not have to be accounted for in another fund.
003	Permanent Improvement	Fund provided to account for all transactions related to the acquiring, construction, or improving of such permanent improvements as are authorized by Chapter 5705, Ohio Revised Code.
006	Food Services	Fund used to record financial transactions related to food service operations.
007	Special Trust	The special trust fund may be classified as a special revenue, permanent, or a private purpose trust fund. A special revenue fund should be used if the original contributions can be expended for school district programs. A permanent fund should be used if the only the earnings on the original proceeds can be expended and not the principal. If the original contribution, whether required to be kept intact or not, and the earnings do not support the school district's programs, then the fund will be classified as a private purpose trust fund.
018	Public School Support	Fund provided to account for specific local revenue sources, other than taxes or expendable trust (i.e. profits from vending machines, sales of pictures, etc.), that are restricted to expenditures for specified purposes approved by board resolution. Such expenditures may include curricular and extra-curricular related purchase.
019	Other Grants	Fund used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources, except for State and Federal grants) that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.
021	Intra District Service Fund	A fund to account for functions that provide goods or services to other areas within the school district. Intra-district functions could include central warehousing and purchasing and central data processing.
024	Employee Benefits Self Insurance	A fund provided to account for monies received from other funds as payment for providing medical, hospitalization, life, dental, vision, or any other similar employee benefits. The Employee Benefits Self- Insurance Fund may make payments for services provided to employees, for reimbursements to employees who have paid providers, to third party administrators for claim payment or administration, for stop-loss coverage or for any other reinsurance or other similar purposes.
034	Classroom Facilities Maintenance	A fund used to account for the proceeds of a levy for the maintenance of facilities.
300	District Managed Student Activity	Fund provided to account for those student activity programs which have student participation in the activity but do not have student management of the programs. This fund would usually include athletic programs but could also include the band, cheerleaders, flag corps, and other similar types of activities.

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Fund Legend (cont.)

Fund #	Fund Description	Purpose
401	Auxiliary Services	A fund used to account for monies which provide services and materials to pupils attending non-public schools within the school district.
499	Miscellaneous State Grant	A fund used to account for various monies received from state agencies which are not classified elsewhere. A separate special cost center must be used for each grant.
516	IDEA Part B Special Education	Grants to assist states in providing an appropriate public education to all children with disabilities.
525	Project Head Start	To promote school readiness by enhancing the social and cognitive development of low income children, including children on federally recognized reservations and children of migratory farm workers, through the provision of comprehensive health, educational, nutritional, social and other services; and to involve parents in their children's learning and to help parents make progress toward their educational, literacy and employment goals.
536	Title I School Improvement Stimulus A	To help schools improve the teaching and learning of children failing, or most at risk of failing to meet challenging State academic achievement standards.
551	Title III – Limited English Proficiency	Funds to develop and carry out elementary and secondary school programs, including activities at the pre-school level, to meet the educational needs of children of limited English proficiency. These programs provide structured English language instruction, with respect to the years of study to which the program is applicable, and instruction in the child's native language to the extent necessary to allow a child to achieve competence in English. The instruction must incorporate the cultural heritage of these children and of other children in American society. The instruction must be, to the extent necessary, in all courses or subjects of study which will allow a child to meet grade promotion and graduation standards.
572	Title I – Disadvantaged Children/Targeted Assistance	To provide financial assistance to State and Local educational agencies to meet the special needs of educationally deprived children. Included are the Even Start and Comprehensive School Reform programs.
587	IDEA Preschool Grant	The Preschool Grant Program, Section 619 of Public Law 99 -457, addresses the improvement and expansion of services for students with disabilities, ages three (3) through five (5) years.
598	Schoolwide Building Program	The purpose of this bulletin is to inform you of the creation of a Schoolwide Building Program Fund. The Schoolwide Building Program Fund allows for the pooling of Federal, State, and local funds to be used to upgrade the overall instructional program of a school building where at least 40 percent of children are from low-income families.
590	Improving Teacher Quality	A fund used to account for monies to hire additional classroom teachers in grades 1 through 3, so that the number of students per teacher will be reduced.

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I. AGREEMENTS

That the Treasurer be authorized to enter into an agreement with the following Vendors/Consultants:

Vendor/Consultant Name	Amount Not to Exceed	Agreement Dates
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School/Department Responsible: General Counsel

- (A.) That the Treasurer is authorized to enter into a lease agreement with the Gamble Montessori High School Foundation for the construction of a greenhouse on the Gamble campus. This project is funded from a grant from the Department of Agriculture.
- (B.) The Board approves the Superintendent entering into a memorandum of understanding with the Cincinnati Federation of Teachers to approve additional compensation for teachers who are adding students to their digital/remote learning caseload – beyond their traditional caseload of students – to ensure that students receive the digital/remote instruction that they need. Teachers will receive an additional \$300.00 per student with a maximum of \$2,400.00 per year.

II. AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENTS

That the Treasurer to be authorized to amend the agreements with the following Vendors/Consultants:

Vendor/Consultant Name	Additional Amount Not to Exceed	New Total Amount	Agreement Dates	Funding Source
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School/Department Responsible: Human Resources

(A.) Teach For America	\$72,000.00	\$144,000.00	7/01/2020 – 6/30/2021	General Fund
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Purpose:

An amendment to Contract#C2100609 to add additional funds for recruitment, training, PD or Principal pipeline and Fellow summer tuition. Original agreement was board approved 8/12/2020.

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II. AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENTS (cont.)

That the Treasurer to be authorized to amend the agreements with the following Vendors/Consultants:

Vendor/Consultant Name	Additional Amount Not to Exceed	New Total Amount	Agreement Dates	Funding Source
School/Department Responsible: Student Dining Services				
(B.) Creation Gardens	\$819,895.00	\$893,465.00	9/15/2020 – 6/30/2021	Food Services Fund

Purpose:

An amendment to Contract#C2100703 to add additional funds for fruit, vegetables and staples. Original agreement was board approved 9/14/2020.

III. AWARD OF PURCHASE ORDER(S)

The Treasurer recommends approval be given for the following purchase orders, charged to the appropriate fund:

Vendor/Consultant Name	Amount Not to Exceed
School/Department Responsible: Curriculum	
(A.) KAMI	\$75,775.00

Funding Source: General Fund

Explanation:

To provide a digital resource that will assist instruction and support students in accelerating their learning in a blended and/or distance learning environment.

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III. AWARD OF PURCHASE ORDER(S) (cont.)

The Treasurer recommends approval be given for the following purchase orders, charged to the appropriate fund:

Vendor/Consultant Name	Amount Not to Exceed
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School/Department Responsible: Non-Public/Auxiliary Services

(B.) CDW Government	\$39,150.00
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Funding Source: Auxiliary Services (NPSS) Fund

Explanation:

To Purchase ninety (90) chromebooks with google educational management license and cases to enhance Virtual/distance learning for students.

IV. THEN AND NOW CERTIFICATES

That the Treasurer be authorized to pay the following Then and Now Certificates:

Vendor/Consultant Name	Amount	CPS Location
(A.) First Student Inc.	\$3,921.09	Aiken New Tech HS

Inv Date	Req Date	Brd Date
4/20/2020	11/18/2020	12/02/2020

Funding Source: District Managed Stud Act Fund

Purpose of Purchase:

To provide payment for Invoices#R2105116 - Buses used for Aiken Athletic Events SY 19/20.

(B.) Dreambox Learning	\$8,600.00	Bond Hill Academy ES
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Inv Date	Req Date	Brd Date
4/20/2020	11/10/2020	12/02/2020

Funding Source: Schoolwide Building Program

Purpose of Purchase:

To provide payment for Invoices#R2104945 – Expansion <501 DreamBox Site License, Up to 60-minute Webinar, Annual Professional Development Session.

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IV. THEN AND NOW CERTIFICATES (cont.)

That the Treasurer be authorized to pay the following Then and Now Certificates:

Vendor/Consultant Name	Amount	CPS Location
(C.) EL Education	\$3,600.00	College Hill Fundamental Academy

Inv Date	Req Date	Brd Date
7/01/2020	8/21/2020	12/02/2020

Funding Source: Schoolwide Building Program

Purpose of Purchase:

To provide payment for Invoices#16540 - 8345 tuition out of contract 4 national conference slots.

(D.) Franklin Covey	\$16,265.00	Covedale ES
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Inv Date	Req Date	Brd Date
7/06/2020	9/30/2020	12/02/2020

Funding Source: Schoolwide Building Program

Purpose of Purchase:

To provide payment for Invoices#IS10329310, IS10333875 – Leader In Me Membership, Coaching & Empowering Instructions.

(E.) Ketchum & Walton Co.	\$3,337.66	Facilities Management
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Inv Date	Req Date	Brd Date
11/12/2020	11/19/2020	12/02/2020

Funding Source: Classroom Fac Maintenance Fund

Purpose of Purchase:

To provide payment for Invoices#82943BS – filters.

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IV. THEN AND NOW CERTIFICATES (cont.)

That the Treasurer be authorized to pay the following Then and Now Certificates:

Vendor/Consultant Name	Amount	CPS Location
(F.) Lopez Studio Group, LLC	\$5,133.80	ITM Management
Inv Date	Req Date	Brd Date
9/16/2020	10/19/2020	12/02/2020

Funding Source: General Fund

Purpose of Purchase:

To provide payment for Invoices#482 – IT basement renovations/remodel.

(G.) Damar Services	\$4,032.00	Student Services
Inv Date	Req Date	Brd Date
7/31/2020	11/07/2020	12/02/2020

Funding Source: General Fund

Purpose of Purchase:

To provide payment for Invoices#73120CPOPE2, 73120JHARGROVE2 – July 2020 to pay out-of-district services for students with disabilities.

V. LATE REQUESTS

That the Treasurer be authorized to enter into an agreement with the following Vendors/Consultants.

Vendor/Consultant Name	Amount Not to Exceed	Agreement Dates
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School/Department Responsible: Athletics & ExtrCurricular

(A.) First Student Inc.	\$341,445.80	8/31/2020 – 5/31/2021
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Funding Source: General Fund

Purpose:

To provide dedicated pupil transportation services for athletic events. This is the third year of a three year agreement with three renewal options.

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V. LATE REQUESTS (cont.)

That the Treasurer be authorized to enter into an agreement with the following Vendors/Consultants.

Vendor/Consultant Name	Amount Not to Exceed	Agreement Dates
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School/Department Responsible: Asst Supt Secondary Education

(B.) Mayerson Academy	\$190,000.00	7/01/2020 – 6/30/2021
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Funding Source: General Fund

Purpose:

To provide strategic professional development program and other administrative services and the expansion of the Thrive Learning Communities Program. This is the second year of a three year agreement.

Fund	Amount
001 General Fund	\$616,386.60
006 Food Services Fund	\$819,895.00
034 Classroom Fac Maintenance Fund	\$3,337.66
300 District Managed Stud Act Fund	\$3,921.09
401 Auxiliary Services (NPSS) Fund	\$39,150.00
598 Schoolwide Building Program	\$28,465.00
Grand Total	\$1,511,155.35

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VI. DONATIONS

That record is made of a donation from the following Donors:

Donor Name	Amount	Location	Funding Source & Description
(A.) Ndukwe Foundation	\$5,000.00	Taft ES	Fund 018 – Public School Support

Purpose: To be used at the Principal's discretion (A Youth Wellness Program).

Jennifer M. Wagner
Treasurer/Chief Financial Officer

Mrs. Bates moved and Mr. Messer seconded the motion that The Revised Report of the Treasurer be approved.

Ayes: Members Bates, Bolton, Bowers, Lindy, Messer, Moroski, President Jones (7)

Noes: None

President Jones declared the motion carried.

INQUIRIES/UPDATES

1. **Member Lindy** - The Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) assessment is designed to measure a student's academic achievement and growth over time in reading and mathematics. Together with other classroom-based information, MAP results can help teachers make instructional decisions that match the needs of each child. MAP is a computer adaptive assessment. In a computer adaptive assessment, as a student responds to questions, the test responds to the student, adjusting up or down the difficulty of the questions presented to the student. This creates a personalized assessment for every student. Participation was lower in poverty areas.

ASSIGNMENTS

Please note the following assignments:

1. **Administration** – Mr. Hoying, General Counsel to draft A Resolution to the Governor regarding essential employees to be presented at the next board meeting on Monday, December 7, 2020.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned at 6:19 p.m.

Jennifer M. Wagner
Treasurer/CFO