

GASB Statement 34 (Accounting System)

1. Purpose

The Board recognizes the need to implement the required accounting and financial reporting standards set out in Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement 34 (“GASB 34”)

The primary objectives of implementing the GASB 34 are to assure compliance with state requirements, and to properly account for both the financial and economic resources and to provide new and additional information to users of District financial statements.

2. Authority

Participation of and reporting shall be in accordance with Board policy. State of Idaho Fiscal Policies manuals as prepared by the office of the State of Idaho Controller’s Office and GASB 34.

3. Delegation of Responsibility

The responsibility to coordinate the compilation and preparations of all information necessary to implement this policy is delegated to the Superintendent in cooperation with the Director of Business/Treasurer.

The designated individual shall be responsible for implementing the necessary procedures to establish and maintain a fixed asset inventory, including depreciation schedules.

The Superintendent in Cooperation with the District’s Accountant shall prepare the required Management Discussion and Analysis (MD&A). The MD&A shall be in the form required by GASB Statement 34 and shall be submitted to the board for approval, prior to publication.

4. Guidelines

In order to associate debt with acquired assets, and to avoid net asset deficits, any asset that has been acquired with debt proceeds shall be capitalized, regardless of the cost of the asset. The asset life of these assets shall be considered relative to the time of the respective debt amortizations.

For all other assets not acquired by debt proceeds, the dollar value of any single item for inclusion in the fixed assets accounts shall be not less than \$4000.00

The assets listed below do not normally individually meet capitalization threshold criteria:

1. Library books. 2. Classroom texts. 3. Computer equipment. 4. Classroom furniture. 5. Curriculum materials.

These asset category costs shall be capitalized and depreciated as groups when that group's acquisition cost exceeds the capitalization threshold in any given fiscal year.

Assets that fall below the capitalization threshold for GASB 34 reporting purposes may still be significant for insurance, warranty service, and obsolescence/replacement policy tracking purposes.

Policy History:

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