2021-2022 General Fund Budget Parameters

March 22, 2021

This presentation includes information to begin the General Fund Budgeting process for FY 2021-2022.

FY 2020-2021 General Fund Budget Recap

On October 12, 2020, the Board approved a Budget Amendment outlining:

1. $2,358,801 reduction in Budgeted Expenditures
2. $1,337,076 reduction in Budgeted Revenue
3. $1,021,725 reduction in Budgeted Operational Balance use
4. **NEW Budgeted Revenues and Expenditures of $196,524,672**
5. Operating Millage Rate (with reassessment) of 246.10 mills

FY 2020-2021
General Fund Budget Recap (continued)

December 14, 2020
Board approved an Appreciation Bonus for Staff

The General Fund Unassigned Reserve Funds were $43,344,184 as of June 30, 2020. Based on the 18% requirement outlined in Board Policy DFAB, the Board approved using $3,000,000 to provide all permanent employees an Appreciation Bonus.

What do we know as of now?

- The FY 2021-2022 State budget is on the way to the House Floor for debate.
  - $50,000,000 – EFA recurring to increase the Base Student Cost to $2,500 (currently $2,489)
  - $44,665,000 – EIA recurring increase
  - $17,288,000 – EIA increase – non-recurring
- EIA highlights include increases for Industry Credentials (CATE), School Nurses, Full-day 4K, 1% Retirement increase for Teachers, Instructional Materials & SROs.
- The Step for the FY 2020-2021 year has passed the House & Senate to be paid retroactively for this School Year no later than June 15, 2021. This is the "frozen" step.

Dates to Remember

March 2021

- March 22 — Parameters for the FY 2021-2022 General Fund Budget presented to the District 5 Board
- *Late March* — *House approves their version of the Budget and passes it to the Senate*

April 2021

- April 26 — Discussion Reading of the FY 2021-2022 General Fund Budget
- *Late April* — *Senate Finance finalizes their version of the Budget to send to the Senate Floor*

May 2021

- May 10 — First Reading of the FY 2021-2022 General Fund Budget
- *Early May* — *Senate passes their version of the Budget*
- *Mid May* — *Recess of the Legislative Session*

June 2021

- June 14 — Public Hearing and Second (final) Reading for the FY 2021-2022 General Fund Budget
- *Early June* — *Conference Committee is named, if needed, to deliberate the differences in the House & Senate Versions*
- *Mid/Late June* — *Final Budget is passed and Signed by the Governor*

Data Points of Interest

FY 2020-2021 Estimated Statewide Weighted Pupil Units (WPU) = 994,217
(actual 965,564.90 at 45th day)

FY 2020-2021 Appropriated Base Student Cost (BSC) (Implied) = $2,489

FY 2021-2022 Estimated Statewide WPU = 990,514

FY 2021-2022 Ways & Means Proposed BSC = $2,500

FY 2021-2022 Budget Considerations

- H. 3609 provides for the FY 2020-2021 step increase for teachers (cost for all staff)
- Step Increases teachers for FY 2021-2022 (cost for all staff)
- Retirement Employer Contribution Increase (1%)
- Instructional staff members for Piney Woods Elementary School
- Staffing to meet requirements for Board Policy IIB and AR IIB-R on teacher-student ratios, federal and state requirements for IDEA and ELL, and to increase the safety and well-being of our students and staff and how that is impacted based on enrollment and funding

Calculation for FY 2021-2022 Allowable Operating Millage Increase

Section 6-1-320 of the SC Code of Laws

Consumer Price Increase (CPI) *	1.23%
*Lex/Rich 5 Population Growth * (not available until May 2021)*	
Allowable Percentage Increase *	
FY 2020-2021 Operating Millage Rate	246.10
FY 2021-2022 Operating Millage Increase Cap	???
Allowed but not Previously Imposed Mills (look back) (Section 6-1-320 (A)(2))	*22.60 mills*

*Source: SC Revenue And Fiscal Affairs Office

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