



REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee met on Thursday, February 20, 2020, at 1:30 PM at the Cincinnati Public Schools Education Center in the Board Conference Room.

ATTENDEES

Finance Committee Members

Chairperson Eve Bolton, Melanie Bates, Ben Lindy

Administrators

Laura Mitchell, Superintendent; Keyin Ashley, Director of Financial Reporting; Vera Brooks, Director of Early Childhood; Lauren Roberts, Director of Internal Audit; Nathan Tyahur, Accounts Receivable Supervisor

CPS Government Liaisons

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

Community Members/Parents

Dureka Bonds; Hector Polanco, Preschool Promise; Craig Rozen

Governmental Liaison Presentation

Mr. Glover updated the Committee about the Ed Choice Voucher and reported that Governor Mike Dewine will be intervening in the process and welcomes leaders of the House to assist when negotiations begin.

EdChoice is Ohio's voucher program that allows public school students to attend private schools if their zoned school is deemed with a failing grade.

Committee Chair Bolton inquired about the status of the Report Card and if Glover and Kearney have had a conversation with State Representative Don Jones, Chair of the Primary and Secondary Education Committee, regarding a solution.

Mr. Glover reported that there is a lot of support in the House and the Senate to fix the report card system, as well as the Ed Choice Voucher piece.

Mr. Glover recommended that the Board send another resolution in order to stay in the forefront of the issues.

ASSIGNMENT Mr. Kearney will draft a second resolution about the Board's position and concern about the Report Card and the pending voucher increase. The Finance Committee will recommend the document to the Board for approval at the March 2, 2020, Business meeting.

Superintendent Mitchell shared with the Committee the following list of priorities that she believes captures what she and the Senior Leadership Team (SLT) believe the Board has expressed and the SLT

has suggested to the Board. The Superintendent suggested, with the Finance Committee's and Board's approval, that these would be the target areas for the Mr. Kearney's and Mr. Glover's work in Columbus.

Cincinnati Public Schools 2020 Government Relations Strategy

Superintendent Mitchell updated the Committee on the following outline for the Cincinnati Public Schools Government Relations Strategy in 2020. The document will adapt and change as issues arise.

1) Priority Goals

Cincinnati Public Schools has identified the following issues as priority issues for legislative consideration for the benefit of CPS, the administration, and the children and community. These issues may change from time to time.

- A. Invite legislative champions, as appropriate, to CPS Finance Committee meetings. This would build upon the recent visit of Senator Blessing who spoke at the CPS Finance Committee on education issues at the Statehouse. He is a member of the Senate Education Committee and Senate Finance Primary and Secondary Education Sub-Committee.
- B. Fair School Funding. Cincinnati Public Schools is eager to learn more about how the proposed Fair School Funding will impact the District's state foundation funding. The District is eager to work with legislative leaders to enact a fairer funding formula for charter school costs and EdChoice Voucher costs.
- C. State Report Cards. Cincinnati Public Schools supports the work of the General Assembly to review the current state report card and collaborate to effectively measure student achievement.
- D. Wellness Curriculum. Cincinnati Public Schools has established a thorough health, physical education, and wellness curriculum through a significant community engagement process and consideration of the best practices from across the country. CPS is willing to support state leaders in the establishment of state standards that meet the expectations of our local curriculum.
- E. Social-Emotional Learning. Cincinnati Public Schools has a robust positive school culture system, and the new infusion of social-emotional learning funds in the state budget are helping us achieve our efforts to provide more support to students.
- F. Health and Safety. Cincinnati Public Schools supports legislation and policies that maintain the health and safety of our students and staff. We support House Bill 559 because immunizations are essential to maintain healthy and safe school environments.
- G. Growth. As Cincinnati Public Schools continues to grow, we will continue to work with the Ohio General Assembly on growth and expansion funding opportunities, particularly funding preschool expansion and facilities.
- H. Funding of Charter Schools as it relates to CPS Funding
- I. Graduation Requirements
- J. Transportation Costs
- K. CPS Innovation and Educational Leadership Branding. Cincinnati Public Schools is revolutionizing urban, public education in Ohio and in the United States.
- L. Relationship with Local Governments and Districts
- M. Improved Relationship with Ohio Department of Education

2) Identify Our Legislative Champions

We need to identify those legislators and executive branch members whose positions align with Cincinnati Public Schools. Additionally, we need to identify those legislators who are most active on education issues. Beyond those legislators who are active and interested, we need to include our local representatives (two of whom are former CPS Board members).

- A. Education Committee Chairs in the House and Senate
- B. Finance Committee Members in the House and Senate (2)

- C. Local Delegation in the House and Senate
- D. Representatives in the Ohio Department of Education (2)
- E. Representatives of Local Municipal Government
- F. Representatives on Ohio Board of Education
- G. Monitor discussions on social media of elected discussing education issues
- H. Communicate with Urban 8
- I. Communicate with Labor and Business Community (CBC and CRBC)
- J. Communicate with Community Leaders
- K. Monitor Bill Filings
- L. Monitor Constituent Mailings
- M. Monitor Town Halls dealing with education

3) Build Relationships with Legislative Champions

After identifying legislative champions, we need to build relationships with those legislators and their staff.

- A. Schedule Meetings with Superintendent and Champions
- B. Schedule Meetings with Board and Champions
- C. Meetings Should be consistent and focused (once or twice annually)
- D. Government Relations Professionals should make regular calls to Champions
- E. Government Relations Professionals and CPS should attend Champions Events
- F. Compliment Champions for role in favorable policy
- G. Distribute positive literature and articles to Champions

4) Track Legislation and Communications

In building and maintaining the relationship with CPS Champions, we need to monitor legislation and communication. Focused Capitol Solutions and Kearney & Kearney provide monthly reports. We will work with the Cincinnati Public Schools' communication team to disseminate appropriate and impactful messages.

- A. Monitor Legislation
- B. Monitor News Articles
- C. Monitor TV Reports
- D. Monitor Communications (e.g., Twitter, Facebook, etc.)

5) Communicate Updates to Champions

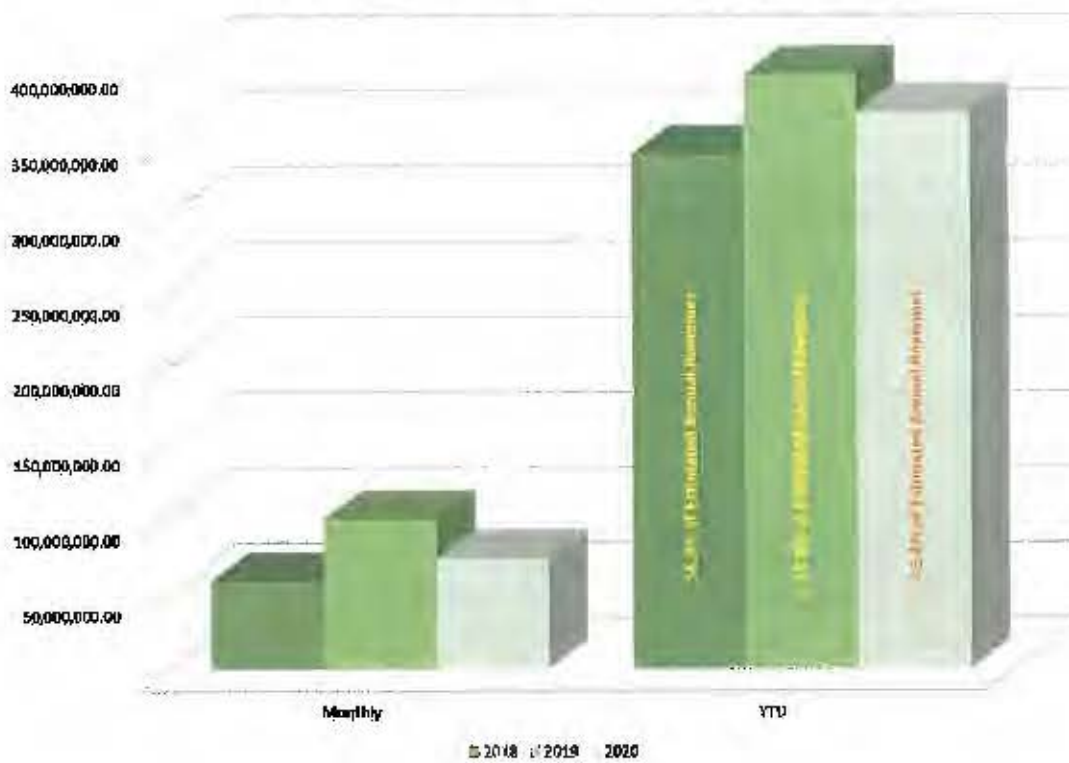
Besides monitoring and working with CPS Champions, we need to reach out to our Champions. Building a relationship is a two-way street. CPS should invite Champions to our schools, provide them with schedules for arts performances, communicate big announcements (e.g., School Openings, First Day of School, Legislators' Day), and send newsletter. While providing opportunities to engage, we do not want to inundate their in box.

- A. Invite Champions to CPS Schools
- B. Create a Legislators' Day
- C. Invite Champions to school performances
- D. Communicate big announcements to our Champions
- E. Send Newsletters

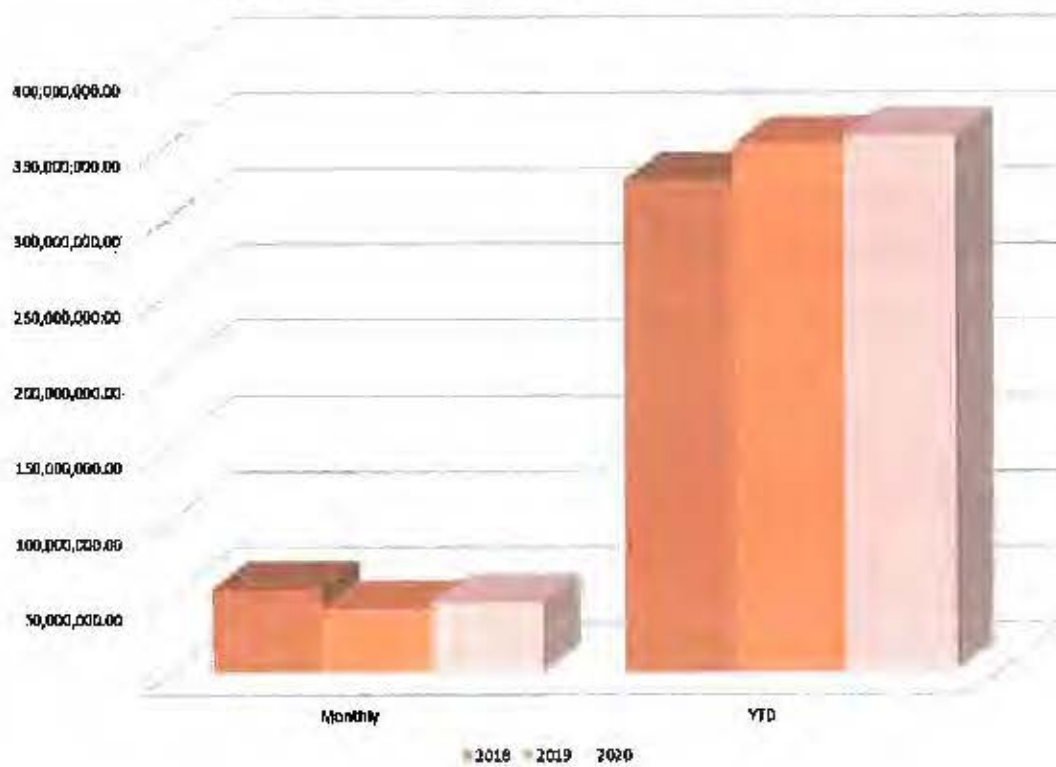
Treasurer Monthly Updates

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

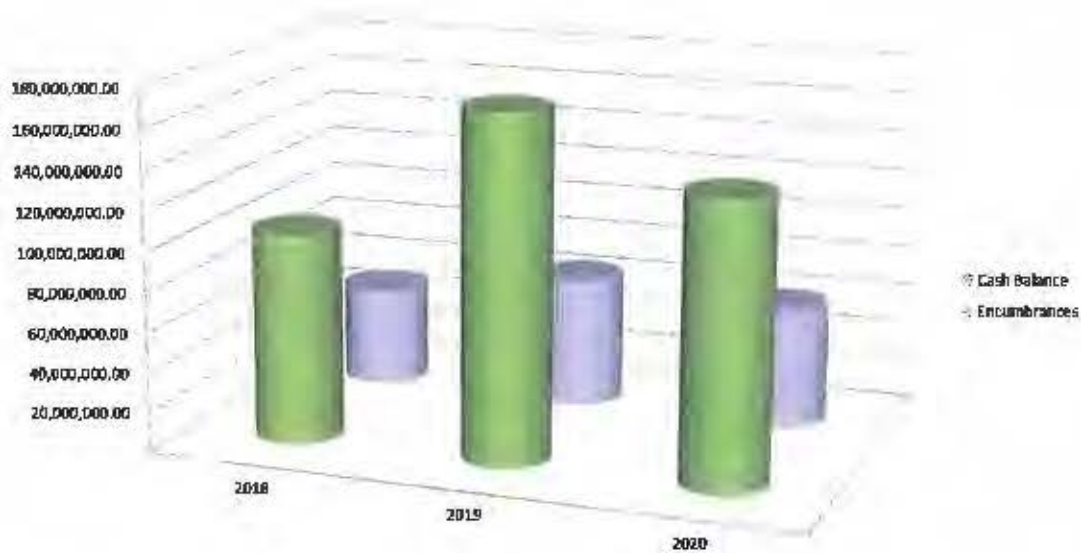
CPS General Fund: Revenues January 31, 2020



CPS General Fund: Expenditures January 31, 2020



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



State & Federal Grants January 2020

	State	Federal	Combined	Jan 2019
Beg Cash	\$1,672,558	\$5,753,426	\$7,425,984	\$9,749,721
Receipts	9,982,325	28,340,729	38,323,054	31,881,144
Expenditures	6,026,775	28,966,747	34,993,522	35,137,949
Encumbrances	865,834	4,890,978	5,756,812	5,341,910
Ending Cash	4,762,274	236,430	4,998,704	1,151,006

CPS Tuition Assistance Summary

	Income	FT	HT	Total	Days	Tuition Assist \$
JAN	<200 %	738	57	795	14,822	\$539,916.83
	200-250	36	7	43	817	\$41,099.03
s/t		774	64	838	15,639	\$681,015.86
YTD				838	76,175	\$3,302,588
LY				685	51,809	\$2,299,727

Note: The data in the chart above represents only the CPS preschool students who participate in the Preschool Expansion Tuition Assistance program. CPS currently has enrolled 1,924 preschool students.

CPS Preschool Expansion

	Budget FY20	JAN YTD FY20	JAN YTD FY19
Revenues: (*-Updated)	\$ 14,800,000*	\$ 10,719,680	\$11,449,641
Expenses:			
CPS Tuition Assistance	4,376,878	3,290,715	2,299,727
Payments to United Way	8,887,251	3,811,345	3,679,937
Workforce Development	183,015	21,503	54,325
Special Education Support	751,439	370,740	316,786
Administrative Support	200,000	80,929	26,307
P5 Classroom Expansion	131,900	103,121	0
Professional Development	60,000	700	0
Meeting Expense	400	0	0
Total	\$14,590,883	\$7,679,053	\$6,377,081
Net Income	\$209,117	\$2,540,627	\$5,072,560

Community Reinvestment Act (CRA) Agreements

Nathan Tyahur, Accounts Receivable Supervisor, informed the Committee about the following Agreements related to the Community Reinvestment Act.

- New Agreements For Approval (3)

Agreement	Years of Agreement	Estimated Annual Revenue	Estimated Total Agreement Revenue
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(A.) **222 Mohawk, LLC** 12-years \$8,896.57 \$106,758.81

Description: the improvements made to the real property located at 222-226 Mohawk Street in Over-the-Rhine neighborhood of Cincinnati, in connection with the remodeling of an existing building into approximately 7,000 square feet of residential space - Ordinance #463-2019, Contract #05x2020-271.

(B.) **509 E12 St, LLC** 12-years \$7,085.47 \$85,025.59

Description: the improvements made to the real property located at 509 East 12th Street in the Pendleton neighborhood of Cincinnati, in connection with the remodeling of two existing buildings into seven residential units - Ordinance #467-2019, Contract #05x2020-269.

(C.) **DREA 6 - Exchange, LLC** 12-years \$71,746.51 \$860,958.11

Description: the improvements made to the real property located at 126 E. 6th Street in the Central Business District of Cincinnati, in connection with the remodeling of the building thereon into commercial and residential space, which remodeling shall be completed in compliance with LEED Silver, Gold, or Platinum standards or LBC standards as more particularly specified in the agreement - Ordinance #143-2017, Contract #85x2018-053.

*NOTE—the proposed 3 agreements are submissions from the City of Cincinnati and were signed in 2019 under the 1999 Master Agreement.

• **Billed But Not Collected (Aging)**

Billed But Not Collected (Thru January 31)

Year	0-30 Days Old	31-60 Days Old	61-90 Days Old	90+ Days Old	Total
FY18	\$ 3,174,725.03	\$ 332,290.53	\$ 0.02	\$ 188.34	\$ 3,507,203.92
FY19	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18,647.78	\$ 18,647.78
FY20	\$ 4,305,340.75	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 13,230.81	\$ 4,318,571.56

*Note – FY19 (1st Half of tax year 2018) was billed on 2/15/2019.

ASSIGNMENT: The Superintendent, Treasurer, and General Counsel will continue to review the City's proposed Abatement Agreement and track the varying expiration dates of current CRAs agreed upon under the previous agreement. The Administration will provide an update at the Board meeting on February 24, 2020.

Monthly CPS/CPP Preschool Financial and Enrollment Data

Mr. Polanco reported that the CPP Finance Committee did not meet due to the lack of quorum, which resulted in no current data to report.

Mr. Polanco did ask who to contact when the CPS Treasurer is on medical leave. The Committee agreed that Kevin Ashley, Director of Financial Reporting, would be his report.

The Finance Committee will provide Mr. Polanco with the Board's two required Budget Hearing dates.

Vera Brooks, Director of Early Childhood, reported that out of nearly 2,000 children, 823 of them are receiving tuition assistance.

February Workplan Items

Post-Audit Discussion

Mr. Ashley reported that Plattenburg has not released the audit. The Board will first meet with Plattenburg in an Executive Session, and then meet with the Audit Committee on April 23, 2020.

Lauren Roberts, Director of Internal Audit, reported that the CAFR will be presented at the February 26, 2020, Audit Committee meeting.

Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 Budget Process Status Review and Update

Mr. Ashley reported the following regarding the FY2021 budget.

1. The deadline for submission of central office non-personnel budgets has been adjusted from February 28 to March 6, 2020. This change will allow for the following.
 - A. Human Resources has the time to complete the verification of school staffing budgets before working with the Treasurer's office to load central office staffing into OpenGov.
 - B. Central office budget managers have additional time to perform analysis of their non-personnel general fund budget resulting in a stronger central office budget.
2. Equity Requests have been reviewed by PLT, and the Budget Team has begun entering them in OpenGov.
3. Vision 2020 budget worksheets with allocation amounts have been created in school budget proposals within OpenGov.
4. Clerical overtime has been successfully loaded into OpenGov at the amount of \$877 plus fringes for elementary schools and \$1,787 plus fringes for high school. The budget team is currently reviewing the other centrally determined items (Copy Clicks, Sub Allocation, and Home Instruction) and those will be loaded very soon.

Proposed Calendar Year 2020 New Workplan Discussion and Adoption

Chairperson Bolton provided and updated the Committee with a draft of the Finance Committee's Workplan that was merged with the Treasurer's workplan, the Strategic Plan, and the Ad Hoc Committee's recommendation for the Board Bylaws.

Chairperson Bolton asked the Committee to review and make suggestions to the proposed Workplan she and the Treasurer developed and distributed (copy attached). The Committee will adopt for recommendation to the Board at the March 19, 2020, Finance Committee meeting.

Strategic Plan and Ad Hoc recommendations that would be included in the Budget, Finance and Growth Committee work plan are: 1.3, 4.2, 4.3, 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 1.f, 5.a, 5.b, and 5.c.

DRAFT Resolution Declaring it Necessary to Levy a Tax in Excess of the Ten-Mill Limitation

The Committee reviewed the *Resolution Declaring it Necessary to Levy a Tax In Excess of the Ten-Mill Limitation*.

A portion of the resolution states that the electors of the Cincinnati School District approved a renewal tax in excess of the ten-mill limitation at the November 8, 2016 election in order to raise the amount of the \$48,000,000 per year for a period of five (5) years, for the purpose of providing funds for the emergency requirements of the School District, and that the Board of Education has determined that it is necessary to renew the tax levy for five (5) years.

ASSIGNMENT: The Committee reviewed the resolution and will recommend approval of the document to the full Board and the February 24, 2020, Business meeting.

Opening Discussion Regarding "Per Student Expenditure Amount and Ways to Determine, Categorize and Ultimately Compare and Measure Impact"

Mr. Lindy reported that he would like to see cost per student data, and trends over time.

The Administration stated that OpenGov contains all the District's financial transactions and includes individual expenditures.

ASSIGNMENT: Ms. Roberts and Mr. Ashley will inform Treasurer Wagner about the request and review OpenGov with Mr. Lindy.

Purchase of Property Resolution

A resolution to purchase a property on the Westside will be presented for approval at the Board meeting on February 24, 2020.

CPS Magnet Lottery Round One Waiting List Summary Report

At Member Bates' request, the initial wait list numbers for Round One were reviewed.

Monthly Government Liaison Columbus Report

The Committee discussed if the monthly Legislative Liaison reports should be done in an Administrative or Board Committee or in an appointment with Government Liaisons and the Superintendent and General Counsel.

The Committee discussed the question and could not come to consensus.

ASSIGNMENT: The Committee will recommend this topic to the full Board for discussion.

Governmental Liaison Presentation

Eric Kearney, CEO/President of Kearney and Kearney, and George Glover, Co-Managing Director of Focused Capitol Solutions, submitted their following monthly written report to the Committee:

Focus of Work

- *Execute against CPS 2020 Government Relations Plan
- *Meet with Superintendent Laura Mitchell regarding CPS priorities
- *Create and cultivate strategic relationships
- *Local Delegation Meeting

Topics for Today's Meeting

Statehouse Update

Statehouse Calendar for 2020

Meeting with Superintendent and General Counsel
Legislative Activity

Ohio House - Primary and Secondary Education Committee

Chair, Don Jones (R)

Vice Chair, Susan Manchester (R)

Ranking Minority Member, Phillip M. Robinson, Jr. (D)

Local Delegation: Catherine D. Ingram (D)

H.B. 23 (Antani) To amend section 3313.5315 of the Revised Code to authorize any student from a country or province outside the United States who holds an F-1 visa to participate in interscholastic athletics. 1st Hearing on February 19, 2019.

H.B. 43 (Ingram) To amend sections 3313.41, 3318.08, and 5705.10, to enact new section 3313.411, and to repeal sections 3313.411, 3313.412, and 3313.413 of the Revised Code to eliminate the right of first refusal for certain schools in the acquisition of school district real property. 2nd Hearing on June 11, 2019.

H.B. 83 (Brown & Schaffer) To amend sections 4511.751 and 4511.76 of the Revised Code to allow images captured by a camera installed on a school bus to be used as corroborating evidence for the offense of failing to stop for a school bus. Referred to the Criminal Justice Committee on March 5, 2019. **H. B. 89 (Antani)** To amend sections 4503.03 and 4511.75 of the Revised Code to enhance the penalties for failing to properly stop for a school bus, to establish requirements related to informing the public about that prohibition, and to make an appropriation. Referred to the Criminal Justice Committee on March 5, 2019.

H.B. 111 (Ingram) To amend sections 3314.03, 3326.11, and 3328.24 and to enact section 3319.324 of the Revised Code to require that public and private schools transmit a transferred student's records within five school days. 4th Hearing on 11/19/19. Voted out of Committee 15-1.

H.B. 121 (Schaffer) To amend sections 5747.08 and 5747.98 and to enact section 5747.72 of the Revised Code to allow a credit against the personal income tax for amounts spent by teachers for instructional materials. 1st Hearing March 19, 2019.

H.B. 122 (Koehler) To amend sections 3301.0711, 3301.0714, 3301.163, 3302.036, 3302.10, 3310.51, 3317.03, 3365.07, and 5727.84; to enact new sections 3310.01, 3310.02, 3310.03, 3310.04, 3310.06, 3310.07, 3310.08, 3310.09, 3310.10, 3310.11, 3310.12, 3310.13, 3310.14, 3310.15, 3310.16, and 3310.17; and to repeal sections 3310.01, 3310.02, 3310.03, 3310.031, 3310.032, 3310.035, 3310.04, 3310.05, 3310.06, 3310.07, 3310.08, 3310.09, 3310.10, 3310.11, 3310.12, 3310.13, 3310.14, 3310.15, 3310.16, 3310.17, 3313.974, 3313.975, 3313.976, 3313.977, 3313.978, and 3313.979 of the Revised Code to eliminate the Educational Choice Scholarship Pilot Program and Pilot Project Scholarship Program and to create the Opportunity Scholarship Program. Creates scholarships to attend chartered non public schools. Establishes maximum scholarship amounts at \$5,000 for students in grades K-8 and at \$7,500 for students in grades 9-12, but reduces scholarships amounts for students who qualify based on family income and whose family income increases. 1st Hearing on March 19, 2019

H.B. 127 (Smith & Hambley) To enact section 3302.103 of the Revised Code to prohibit the creation of new academic distress commissions. This bill would prohibit the Superintendent of Public Instruction from establishing any new academic distress commissions on or after the bill's effective date. 2nd Hearing on April 9, 2019.

H.B. 132 (Manning) To amend sections 3314.03 and 3326.11 and to enact section 3313.675 of the Revised Code regarding notice of school child immunization requirements and exemptions. Voted out of Committee 16-0.

H.B. 165 (Liston, Galonski) To enact new section 3301.0718 and to repeal section 3301.0718 of the Revised Code regarding the adoption of health education standards. From the analysis, the bill requires the State Board to adopt either the most recent health education standards developed by the American Association for Health Education, or health education standards developed and prescribed by the State Board itself. Further, it repeals the current prohibition on the State Board of Education from adopting or revising any standards or curriculum in the area of health unless the standards, curriculum, or revisions are approved by both houses of the General Assembly through concurrent resolution.

H.B. 231 (Greenspan) To amend section 3313.719 and to enact sections 3301.135 and 3345.371 of the Revised Code to require the Department of Education to notify public and private schools of free epinephrine autoinjector programs and to enact the "Allison Rose Suhy Act" with regard to food allergy training for public schools and institutions of higher education. 3rd Hearing on January 23, 2010.

H.B. 239 (Manning, G., Crawley) To amend sections 3301.0712 and 3301.0729 of the Revised Code to reduce the number of end-of-course assessments required for high school graduation and to require each school district to form a work group to evaluate the amount of time students spend on testing. In Summary this bill would: * Beginning with the class of 2022, eliminates the requirement that high school students take a nationally standardized college admission assessment. * Beginning with the class of 2022, reduces the number of end-of-course examinations required for graduation from seven to three. * Requires each school district and other public school to form a work group to examine the amount of time students spend on district required testing and to submit a report of its findings and any recommendations to the district board or school governing authority or body on how to reduce testing. * Permits a district or school to exceed the time limitations that students may spend on state testing through an annual resolution after considering recommendations from the testing work group. * Requires the Department of Education to annually publish a report on the amount of time students spent on required state and district or school testing.

H.B. 310 (Greenspan) To amend sections 2903.31, 3301.22, 3313.661, 3313.666, 3314.03, and 3326.11 and to enact sections 3301.165, 3313.669, 3319.318, and 3345.19 of the Revised Code to enact the "Ohio Anti-Bullying and Hazing Act" with regard to school discipline and bullying and hazing policies at public schools and colleges. 5th Hearing on 1/23/20, OAESA, BASA, OSBA provided testimony supporting and opposing the bill.

H.B. 321 (Lipps & Kelly) To amend sections 3313.60 and 3319.073 and to enact sections 3314.0310 and 3326.091 of the Revised Code with respect to age-appropriate student instruction in child sexual abuse and sexual violence prevention and in-service staff training in child sexual abuse prevention. 1st Hearing (as re-referred) on 1/21/20.

H.B. 322 (Jones & Manning) To amend sections 3319.111, 3319.22, 3319.223, 3319.227, 3319.229, and 3319.26 of the Revised Code to revise the Ohio Teacher Residency Program. Third hearing December 10, 2019.

H.B. 333 (Cruss) To amend sections 3314.03, 3326.11, and 3328.24 and to enact section 3301.943 of the Revised Code to permit public schools to enter into agreements with third parties to provide digital student record storage, management, and retrieval. 1st Hearing 11/12/19.

H.B. 336 (Robinson & Sobocki) To enact sections 103.44, 103.45, 103.46, 103.47, 103.48, 103.49, and 103.50 of the Revised Code and to amend Section 311.10 of Am. Sub. H.B. 166 of the 133rd General Assembly and to repeal Section 733.40 of Am. Sub. H.B. 166 of the 133rd General Assembly to reinstate the Joint Education Oversight Committee, make an appropriation, and declare an emergency.

H.B. 367 (Miranda & Manchester) To enact section 3319.091 of the Revised Code to require the Department of Education to make recommendations for a job description for school counselors and to designate at least one staff member as a school counselor liaison. Third Hearing 12/10/19.

H.B. 409 (Kochler) To amend section 3314.03 and to enact section 3314.261 of the Revised Code regarding student attendance at internet- or computer-based community schools that are not dropout prevention and recovery schools. 3rd Hearing 1/28/20.

H.B. 504 (Sweeney) To enact section 3317.28 of the Revised Code and to amend Sections 265.10 as subsequently amended, 265.210 as subsequently amended, and 265.220 of H.B. 166 of the 133rd General Assembly to prescribe a per pupil funding guarantee for 5 certain school districts and to make an 6 appropriation.

S.B. 4 (Rulli & Kunze) To amend Section 237.30 of H.B. 529 of the 132nd General Assembly and Section 237.10 of H.B. 529 of the 132 General Assembly, as subsequently amended, to make a capital appropriation for school facilities assistance. Increase from \$375M to \$475M, the amount of general obligation bonds that can be issued by the Ohio Public Facilities Commission for the purpose of paying the state share of the cost of constructing classroom facilities. Passed the Ohio Senate on March 27, 2019 (31-0). Passed House Committee 26-0. Re-referred.

S.B. 26 (Kunze) To amend section 5747.01 of the Revised Code to authorize a state income tax deduction of \$250 for teachers' out-of-pocket expenses for professional development and classroom supplies. Passed into law 10/23/19. Effective 2/5/20.

* **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.

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.

Ohio Senate - Education Committee

Chair, Peggy Lehner (R)

Vice Chair, Andrew Brunner (R)

Rank Minority Member, Teresa Fedor (D)

Local Delegation: Louis W. Blessing, III (R)

Sub. S.B. 34 (Kunze) To amend sections 2953.25, 3314.03, 3314.101, 3319.151, 3319.227, 3319.31, 3319.311, 3319.313, 3319.316, 3319.40, 3319.99, 3326.081, 3326.11, 3328.18, 3319.393, 3328.24, and 5153.176 and to enact sections 3319.0812, 3319.318, 3319.319, and of the Revised Code regarding school employee employment and educator licensure and conduct. 8th Hearing 2/4/20. Passed Committee 10-0.

S.B. 40 (Brenner & McColley) To amend sections 3345.021 and 3345.21 and to enact sections 3345.0211, 3345.0212, 3345.0213, 3345.0214, and 3345.0215 of the Revised Code to enact the

"Forming Open and Robust University Minds Act" regarding free speech on college 5 campuses. 4th Hearing 1/28/20. Passed Senate 33-0.

S.B. 81 (Maharath) To amend section 3319.46 of the Revised Code to prohibit the use of seclusion in public schools. 1st Hearing 10/1/19.

S.B. 84 (Maharath) To enact section 3313.675 of the Revised Code to allow an individual enrolling a student to voluntarily state if student's parent or guardian is a member of the Armed Forces. 1st Hearing 10/1/19.

Sub. S.B. 102 (Brenner & Lechner) To enact new section 3323.25 and to repeal section 3323.25 of the Revised Code to establish the Dyslexia Screening Program for school districts and other public schools. 6th Hearing 1/28/20. BASA, OSBA, OAESA provided testimony supporting the substitute bill: clarity regarding applicability to public schools, allowance of changes to be made by administrative rule by the State Superintendent, and inclusion of stakeholders on advisory committee.

S.B. 110 (Manning) To enact section 3302.103 of the Revised Code to modify the operation of academic distress commissions in certain school districts. Modifies the composition and operation of an academic distress commission (ADC) of a school district for which (1) an ADC was established in 2013 under former law and (2) the ADC was re-established under continuing law. Requires the ADC to conduct and submit to the district board at least one annual performance evaluation of the chief executive officer (CEO) appointed by the ADC. Specifies that the CEO must appear at least quarterly before the district board to report on the district's progress. Requires the Auditor of State to conduct a performance audit of the district each year that it is subject to the ADC. Requires the Department of Education to initiate a site evaluation in the district in each year that the district is subject to the ADC. 3rd Hearing on April 9, 2019.

S.B. 121 (Sykes & Kunze) To amend sections 3301.0718 and 3313.6011 and to enact section 3301.0727 of the Revised Code to require the State Board of Education to adopt health education standards and to require that only statewide venereal disease education standards and curriculum be approved by the General Assembly. * Removes the requirement of the adoption of a concurrent resolution when adopting or revising state standards or curriculum for health education. * Requires the adoption of a concurrent resolution when adopting or revising state standards for venereal disease education. * Requires the State Board of Education to develop and adopt health education standards for grades K-12 health education. 4th Hearing 12/3/19

S.B. 157 (Williams) To amend section 3321.141 of the Revised Code regarding notification of student absences. 1st Hearing 10/1/19

S.B. 168 (Yuko & Maharath) To amend sections 3314.03, 3326.11, and 3328.24 and to enact section 3313.818 of the Revised Code to enact the "Hunger-Free Students' Bill of Rights Act" to require schools to provide certain services to students who are eligible for free or reduced price meals. 1st Hearing 10/1/19

S.B. 200 (Lerner & Brenner) To amend sections 3314.03, 3323.11, 3326.11, and 3328.24 and to enact sections 3319.077 and 3319.078 of the Revised Code with regard to professional development for screening and intervention for children with dyslexia. 2nd Hearing on 1/21/20

S.B. 218 (Williams) To amend sections 3314.03, 3326.11, and 3328.24 and to enact section 3313.4812 of the Revised Code to prohibit public schools from beginning the school day earlier than eight-thirty a.m. 1st Hearing on 2/11/20.

S.B. 219 (Williams) To enact section 3303.08 of the Revised Code to establish a career pathways apprentice program. 1st Hearing on 2/11/20.

H.B. 123 (Holmes & Manning) To amend sections 3313.536, 3313.60, 3314.03, 3319.073, 3326.11, and 3328.24 and to enact sections 3301.221, 3301.23, 3313.669, 3313.6610, 3313.6611, and 3313.6612

of the Revised Code with regard to school security and youth suicide awareness education and training. Passed House 10/2/19. 3rd hearing 1/21/20.

H.B. 154 (Miller & Jones) To amend sections 133.06, 3302.036, 3302.042, 3302.12, 3302.16, 3302.17, 3302.18, 3310.03, 3311.29, and 3314.102; to enact new section 3302.10; and to repeal sections 3302.10, 3302.101, 3302.102, and 3302.11 of the Revised Code; and to repeal Sections 4, 5, and 6 of Am. Sub. H.B. 70 of the 131st General Assembly to dissolve academic distress commissions and to instead require the creation of community learning centers for buildings in low-performing school districts. In Ohio Senate Education Committee. Passed Ohio House (83-12). Disagreement among several urban districts. Senate Education Committee 4th Hearing 9/24/19

H.B. 164 (Ginter) To amend sections 3313.601, 3314.03, 3326.11, and 3328.24 and to enact sections 3320.01, 3320.02, and 3320.03 of the Revised Code regarding student religious expression and to entitle the act the "Ohio Student Religious Liberties Act of 2019." Passed House 61-31. 2nd Hearing in Senate Education Committee on 2/11/20.

The meeting adjourned at 3:23 p.m.

Finance Committee

Eve Bolton, Chair
Melanie Bates
Ben Lindy

Staff Liaisons

Jennifer Wagner, CFO/Treasurer, *absent*
Laura Mitchell, Superintendent

Budget, Finance, and Growth Committee

Committee Workplan

Calendar Year 2020

OVERARCHING GOAL: To provide financial oversight for the District.

While practicing sound fiscal management and long-range planning, and intentionally expanding the District's physical footprint and program portfolio, the Budget, Finance and Growth Committee will provide budget development and financial review processes that deliver equitable distribution of resources that produce the highest impact, best value and the most community engagement before any District dollar is raised or spent.

(Budget, Finance and Growth Committee suggestions from Strategic Plan items 1.3, 4.2, 4.3, 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 5A, 5B, 5C)

ORGANIZATION

The Finance Committee will meet at 1:30 pm on the third Thursday of each month. The meetings will take place in the Board Office Conference Room.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Eve Bolton, Chair
Melanie Bates
Ben Lindy

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

The specific responsibilities of the Finance Committee shall be as follows:

- A. Review the annual tax budget, annual appropriations resolution, and other appropriations or transfers of funds whether initiated by the Administration or other Board standing committees and make recommendations to the Board.
- B. Review all monthly reports of the Superintendent and the Treasurer regarding the statuses of the General, Capital, and Federal Fund expenditures and income, and furnish written comments on the reports at the discretion of the Committee.
- C. Review projections of the financial status of the District including, but not limited to, authorized level of personnel, labor negotiations and Five-Year Forecast from the Superintendent and the Treasurer/Chief Financial Officer. The Finance Committee shall utilize these projections to formulate such reports or recommendations as the Committee deems appropriate.
- D. Initiate the evaluation of the Treasurer, and facilitate the formal evaluation that shall be completed and approved by the full Board in either executive or public session, at the discretion of the Treasurer.
- E. Receive and review the assumptions that will be used to construct the budget before beginning the annual budget process, and report on same to the Board when approval is recommended by the Administration.

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- F. Formulate, with the assistance of the Superintendent and Treasurer, legislative goals pertaining to school funding that will be the focus of the District's lobbying efforts to the local, State and Federal government, and report on these legislative goals to the Board for consideration.
- G. Receive reports regarding all audits of the District's funds including funds from local, State, Federal, grant and private sources. These audits may be conducted by the State Auditor, the Ohio Department of Education, and/or other financial entities or individuals, and any findings, commendations, and/or recommendations are to be reported to the Board in a timely manner.
- H. The Audit Committee may be convened at the will of the Finance Committee, Treasurer, Internal Auditor, Audit Committee Chair, and the Superintendent of Schools to act in an advisory and/or investigative capacity to the Finance Committee or the full Board.
- I. Review proposals for the sale, lease or purchase of real estate, and all agreements negotiated, or such actions, whether initiated by the Administration or other Standing Committees and make recommendations to the Board.
- J. Review proposals for sale, purchase or lease of real estate, establishment of fees for short-term lease of facilities (as required by Ohio statute), and facilities improvement agreements, as requested by the Finance Committee.
- K. Review proposals for expenditures from the proceeds of the maintenance levy.
- L. Monitor the fair and equitable use of goods and services within the Finance Committee's responsibilities.
- M. Review of operational (non-employment) contracts.
- N. Develop an annual workplan to include the specific responsibilities as stated above to be submitted to the Board for approval.
- O. Receive recommendations from the Superintendent, Treasurer, and other Board committees on items for the Board's legislative agenda, formulate comments on the proposed items, and comment on these items when the Board considers the legislative agenda for approval.
- P. The committee Chair, Board, Board staff, and District administration will engage community members and organizations around responsibilities of the committee; Public Affairs representatives will be assigned to every committee meeting.

Strategic Plan – Goals and Strategies

- 1.3 Institute an annual budget development and review process that provides multiple points of access to influence an equitable distribution of resources to all students individually or commonly required.
- 4.2 Use multiple points of data when considering options and making decisions, prioritizing outcomes with the highest impact and best value.
- 4.3 Explore and implement best practices of financial management, investment, and sustainability in all operational cost centers.
- 5.1 Increase CPS market share by positioning it as the educational provider of choice and actively recruiting families to CPS schools.
- 5.2 Evaluate preschool, elementary, and high school portfolios to create great choices, giving more families more access to innovative and diverse schools.
- 5.3 Design the existing District offerings geographically to limit transportation demands, expand accessibility of programs, and expand the District's footprint through strategic property acquisitions and building renovations.
- 5.4 Develop a long-range financial plan to support the District's growth outlined in the strategic measures.

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Strategic Plan – Strategic Outcomes

MEASURE 1F	Increase the number of instructional days for preschool students by six days by 2021
MEASURE 5A	<p>Increase the District's enrollment market share for grades kindergarten through 12th grade from 64.3% in 2018-19 to 66.7%.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — 2019-20 School Year: Increase student enrollment by 398 students to 65.5% market share. — 2020-21 School Year: Increase student enrollment by 427 students to 65.85% market share. — 2021-22 School Year: Increase student enrollment by 457 students to 66.7% market share.
MEASURE 5B	<p>Increase the District's preschool enrollment from 1,823 in 2019 to 2,200 by 2022.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — 2019-20 School Year: Increase preschool enrollment by 177 students. — 2020-21 School Year: Increase preschool enrollment by 100 students. — 2021-22 School Year: Increase preschool enrollment by 100 students.
MEASURE 5C	Increase the number of school buildings from 58 to 62.

CALENDAR

(TO BE DISCUSSED (ROLE/TIMING/GOVERNMENT LIAISON))

Month	Task
January	Selection of Committee Chair
	Financial Reports: Revenue, Expenditures, CRAs
	Preschool Promise/CPS Preschool: Financial and Enrollment Updates
	District Insurance Update
	Financial Audit Update
	Budget Process Outlined/Status Update
	Investment Update
	FY20 Budget Building: Non-personnel allocations, Equity Budget, Department Budgets
	Strategic Plan Items: 1.3, 4.2, 4.3, 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 1F, 5A, 5B, 5C
February	Financial Reports: Revenue, Expenditures, CRAs
	Preschool Promise/CPS Preschool: Financial and Enrollment Updates
	Post Audit Discussions
	Workplan Discussion and Adoption
	CAFR (Comprehensive Annual Financial Report) Discussion
	Budget Development Progress
	FY20 Budget Building: Student Activity Funds, High School Staffing (Master Schedule)
	Strategic Plan Items: 1.3, 4.2, 4.3, 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 1F, 5A, 5B, 5C

Month	Task
March	Financial Reports: Revenue, Expenditures, CRAs
	Preschool Promise/CPS Preschool: Financial and Enrollment Updates
	Budget Update Status
	Disparity and Minority Review
	Labor Negotiations
	FY20 Budget Building: Other School Building Funds
	Strategic Plan Items: 1.3, 4.2, 4.3, 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 1F, 5A, 5B, 5C
April	Financial Reports: Revenue, Expenditures, CRAs
	Preschool Promise/CPS Preschool: Financial and Enrollment Updates
	Budget Update Status
	Treasurer's New Goals
	Transportation Review
	Labor Negotiations
	FY20 Budget Building: All Other Funds, Budget Engagement
May	Financial Reports: Revenue, Expenditures, CRAs
	Preschool Promise/CPS Preschool: Financial and Enrollment Updates
	Five-Year Forecast – DRAFT
	Treasurer's New Goals
	Equity Budget Requests in the Aggregate
	FY20 Budget Building: Budget Engagement
	Strategic Plan Items: 1.3, 4.2, 4.3, 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 1F, 5A, 5B, 5C
June	Financial Reports: Revenue, Expenditures, CRAs
	Preschool Promise/CPS Preschool: Financial and Enrollment Updates
	Annual Appropriations
	Annual Budget Revisions
	Report from Internal Auditor
	FY20 Budget Building: Board Adoption
	Strategic Plan Items: 1.3, 4.2, 4.3, 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 1F, 5A, 5B, 5C
July	Financial Reports: Revenue, Expenditures, CRAs
	Preschool Promise/CPS Preschool: Financial and Enrollment Updates
	Levy Renewal
	Disparity and Minority Review
	Hamilton County Tax Incentive Review Council
	Investment Update
	Strategic Plan Year 1 Final Review and Draft of Strategic Plan Year 2
	FY20 Budget Building: Final Review of Strategic Plan – Year 1
	Strategic Plan Items: 1.3, 4.2, 4.3, 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 1F, 5A, 5B, 5C

Month	Task
August	Financial Reports: Revenue, Expenditures, CRAs
	Preschool Promise/CPS Preschool: Financial and Enrollment Updates
	Levy Renewal
	Draft of Strategic Plan Year 2
	School Budgets
	FY20 Budget Building: Draft of Strategic Plan – Year 2
	Strategic Plan Items: 1.3, 4.2, 4.3, 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 1F, 5A, 5B, 5C
September	Financial Reports: Revenue, Expenditures, CRAs
	Preschool Promise/CPS Preschool: Financial and Enrollment Updates
	Outcomes Measured
	Transportation Update
	FY20 Budget Building: Outcomes/Measures
	Strategic Plan Items: 1.3, 4.2, 4.3, 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 1F, 5A, 5B, 5C
October	Financial Reports: Revenue, Expenditures, CRAs
	Preschool Promise/CPS Preschool: Financial and Enrollment Updates
	Five-Year Forecast Presentation
	Previous FY Budget Review
	Future FY Budget Process
	Levy Renewal Campaign Report
	FY20 Budget Building: Process Planning, Student Projections, Board Retreat, Annual Strategic Scope
November	Strategic Plan Items: 1.3, 4.2, 4.3, 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 1F, 5A, 5B, 5C
	Financial Reports: Revenue, Expenditures, CRAs
	Preschool Promise/CPS Preschool: Financial and Enrollment Updates
	Contract Presentations
	Budget Assumptions for New FY Budget
	FY20 Budget Building: Finalize Student Projections, Staffing, Budget Training
	Strategic Plan Items: 1.3, 4.2, 4.3, 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 1F, 5A, 5B, 5C
December	Financial Reports: Revenue, Expenditures, CRAs
	Preschool Promise/CPS Preschool: Financial and Enrollment Updates
	Annual Tax Budget
	Disparity and Minority Review
	Report from the Internal Auditor
	FY20 Budget Building: Grant Planning; DSS, ELL, Gifted Projections; Budget Training
	Strategic Plan Items: 1.3, 4.2, 4.3, 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 1F, 5A, 5B, 5C

