



January 27

2020

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee met on Thursday, January 23, 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

Board President

Carolyn Jones, ex-officio

Administrators

Laura Mitchell, Superintendent; Jennifer Wagner, Treasurer; Kevin Ashley, Director of Financial Reporting; Dan Hoying, General Counsel; Lauren Roberts, Internal Auditor

Ohio State Senator

Louis W. Blessing (OSD8)

CPS Government Liaisons

Eric Kearney, CEO, Kearney and Kearney

George Glover, Co-Managing Director, Focused Capital Solutions

Community Members/Parents

Craig Rozen, Kenyona Bell

Election of Committee Chair

Committee member Melanie Bates nominated Eve Bolton as Committee Chair. Committee member Ben Lindy seconded the motion. Ms. Bolton accepted the nomination and was elected Chair of the Committee for calendar year 2020.

2020 Committee Meeting Schedule

The Committee agreed to conduct their meetings on the third Thursday of each month at 1:30 PM.

Treasurer Monthly Updates

Moody's Investors Service

Treasurer Wagner shared very good news regarding a very positive rating by Moody's Investors Service. The specifics of the report are outlined below and a full copy of the report is available in the Board Office.

Cincinnati City School District, OH: Annual Comment on Cincinnati City SD (School District)

Issuer Profile

Cincinnati City School District is located in Hamilton County in the southwestern corner of Ohio. The county has a population of 808,703 and a high population density of 1,985 people per square mile. The county's median family income is \$71,692 (2nd quartile) and the November 2019 unemployment rate was 3.5% (3rd quartile). The largest industry sectors that drive the local economy are health services, professional/scientific/technical services, and manufacturing.

Credit Overview

Cincinnati City SD has a very high quality credit position, and its AaZ rating is a little stronger than the US school districts median of Aa3. Key credit factors include a robust financial position, a large tax base, a sizable debt burden, an elevated pension liability, and a somewhat weak wealth and income profile.

Finances: The district's financial position is healthy when compared to the assigned rating of AaZ. The cash balance as a percent of operating revenues (30.1%) is on par with the US median, and grew modestly from 2014 to 2018. Additionally, Cincinnati City SD's fund balance as a percent of operating revenues (40.2%) is stronger than other Moody's-rated school districts nationwide.

Economy and Tax Base: Overall, the district has a satisfactory economy and tax base in comparison to its AaZ rating. The total full value (\$18.5 billion) greatly exceeds the US median, and increased from 2014 to 2018. On the contrary, the full value per capita (\$55,520) is slightly below the US median. Furthermore, the median family income equals 71.9% of the US level.

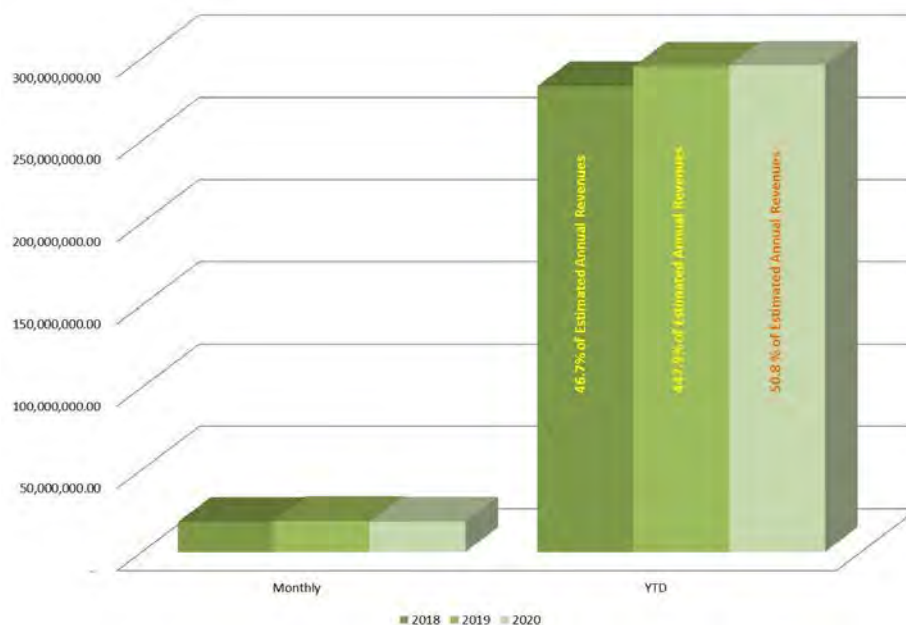
Debt and Pensions: Cincinnati City SD's debt and pension burdens are heavy overall when compared to the AaZ rating assigned. The district's net direct debt to full value (3%) is materially higher than the US median. That said, this percentage declined from 2014 to 2018. Additionally, the Moody's-adjusted net pension liability to operating revenues (2.7x) unfavorably is materially above the US median.

Management and Governance: Ohio school districts have an institutional framework score 3 of "A", which is moderate. The sector's major revenue sources are property taxes and state aid, with wealthier districts relying more heavily on property tax. Local property tax do not have a rate cap, but can be increased with voter approval only. Some school districts also levy a local income tax, which requires voter approval. Revenues and expenditures tend to be predictable. Ohio has public sector unions, which can limit the ability to cut expenditures.

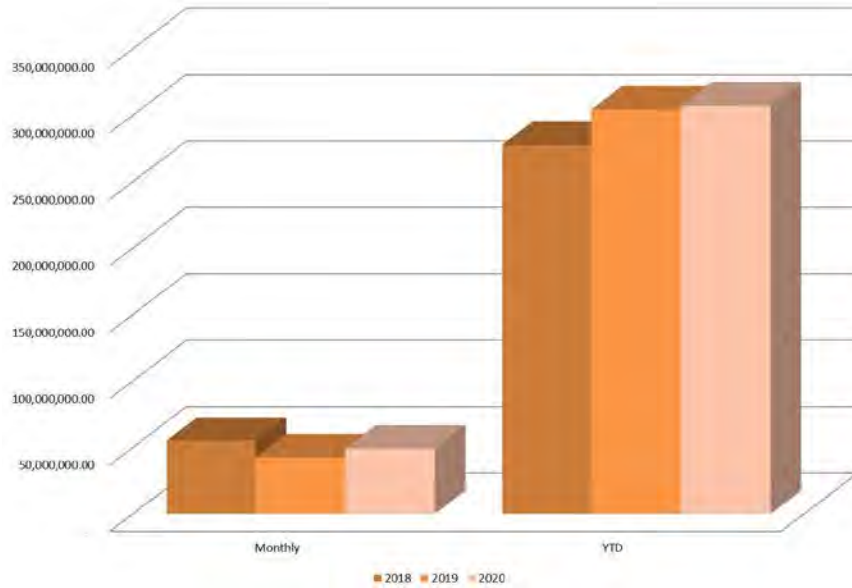
ASSIGNMENT: Treasurer Wagner will present the results at the January 27, 2020 Regular Business Meeting.

Treasurer Monthly Updates

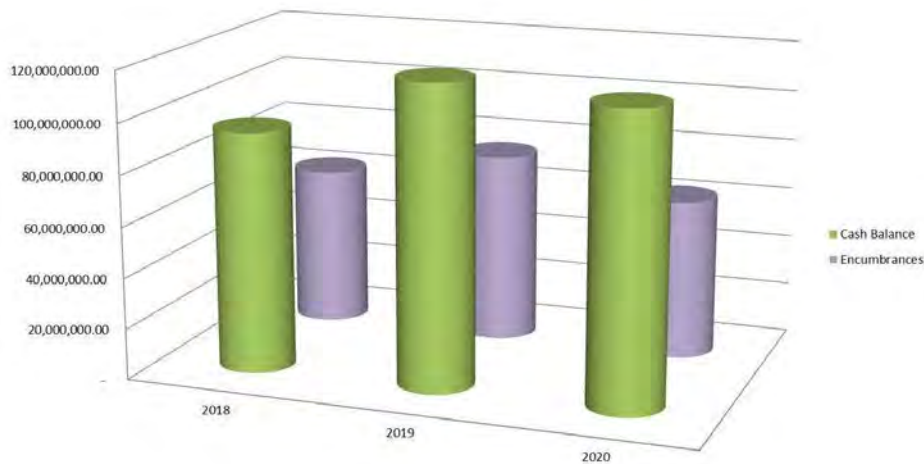
Treasurer Wagner updated the Committee on: *CPS General Fund: Revenues December 31, 2019.*



Treasurer Wagner updated the Committee on: *CPS General Fund: Expenditures – December 31, 2019*



Treasurer Wagner updated the Committee on: *CPS General Fund–Cash + Encumbrances–December 31, 2019*



Treasurer Wagner updated the Committee on: *State and Federal Grants – December 31, 2019*

	State	Federal	Combined	Dec 2018
Beg Cash	1,672,558	5,753,426	7,425,983	9,749,721
Receipts	9,807,716	26,788,852	36,596,568*	25,695,822
Expenditures	5,274,811	25,188,324	30,463,134	30,714,242
Encumbrances	753,275	4,451,076	5,204,352	6,542,972
Ending Cash	5,452,187	2,902,877	8,355,065	(1,811,671)

Treasurer Wagner updated the Committee on: *CPS Tuition Assistance Summary*.

	Income	FT	HT	Total	Days	Tuition Assist \$
DEC	<200 %	728	56	784	11,510	494,807,.95
	200-250	36	7	43	645	32,446.60
s/t		764	63	827	12,155	527,254.55
YTD				827	60,536	2,621,572
LY				660	51,124	1,910,703

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 1,866 preschool students.

Treasurer Wagner updated the Committee on: *CPS Preschool Expansion*.

	Budget	DEC YTD	YTD FY19
Revenues:	\$ 16,489,276	\$ 7,385,305	\$7,215,266
Expenses:			
CPS Tuition Assistance	4,376,878.00	2,609,699	1,973,424
Payments to United Way	8,887,251	1,586,155	1,458,124
Workforce Development	183,015	21,503	45,471
Special Education Support	751,439	315,966	269,238
Administrative Support	200,000	68,914	23,685
PS Classroom Expansion	131,900	100,768	0
Professional Development	60,000	0	0
Meeting Expense	400	0	0
Total	\$14,590,883	\$4,703,005	\$3,769,941
Net Income	\$1,898,393	\$2,682,600	\$3,445,325

Mrs. Wagner stated that discussions are taking place around opening at least five new preschool classrooms prioritizing the Westside.

Preschool Promise Finances

Mr. Polanco updated the Committee on the following reports.

He reported that Year-to-Date reflects an underspending of approximately \$143,000.00, which is improved as compared to previous years.

Summary FY20 Actuals

As of December 31, 2019

CPP ONLY (Corrected)

	July	Aug	Sept	Oct ¹	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Actual's FY20 YTD	Budget FY20 YTD	Budget minus Actuals FY20 YTD	Budget FY20
Tuition Assistance	\$0	\$111,479	\$308,930	\$354,803	\$418,301	\$382,028	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,375,544	\$1,981,183	\$405,639	\$4,430,887
Quality Improvement	\$7,926	\$125,684	\$251,825	\$694,937	\$208,390	\$72,761	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,361,525	\$691,238	\$670,287	\$1,439,350
Cost of Quality (Wages)	\$850	\$7,667	\$16,500	\$9,000	\$8,834	\$9,534	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$52,384	\$147,900	\$95,516	\$569,400
Contingency	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$500,000
SUM OF PROGRAMS	\$8,778	\$244,830	\$577,256	\$1,058,743	\$635,524	\$464,323	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,989,453	\$2,820,320	\$169,133	\$6,939,637
Data & Enrollment Systems, Evaluation	\$31,322	\$31,322	\$48,555	\$31,980	\$31,980	\$31,980	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$207,141	\$370,500	\$163,359	\$675,000
Communications & Outreach	\$523	\$21,185	\$20,649	\$18,454	\$16,401	\$672	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$77,854	\$100,720	\$22,866	\$214,873
M&A - General	\$7,744	\$5,304	\$618	\$7,531	\$3,904	\$959	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$26,660	\$42,950	\$16,290	\$140,900
M&A - Staff Related	\$47,268	\$51,051	\$38,351	\$35,601	\$63,470	\$49,696	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$285,438	\$307,136	\$101,898	\$774,672
M&A - Facilities	\$2,363	\$1,846	\$3,007	\$3,685	\$3,282	\$3,037	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$19,220	\$26,220	\$7,000	\$55,680
UWGC Admin Fees	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$100,000
SUM OF ADMINISTRATIVE	\$89,830	\$112,299	\$110,890	\$97,563	\$119,038	\$86,294	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$615,713	\$927,726	\$312,013	\$1,981,125
TOTAL	\$98,408	\$357,128	\$688,146	\$1,156,305	\$754,562	\$550,617	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,605,167	\$3,748,046	\$142,879	\$8,900,762

YTD = Year To Date; FY = Fiscal Year

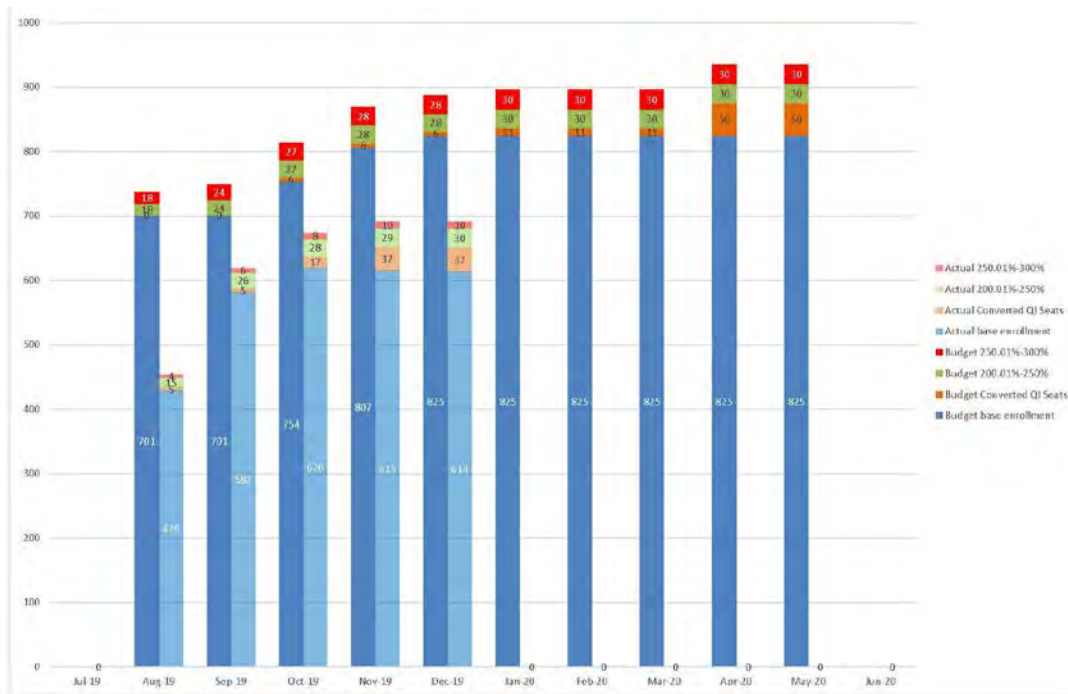
1- Accrual for Q1 spending added as of Oct 2019

Key Differences in Budget minus Actuals FY20 YTD

1. TA = enrollment averaged -180 students below Budget (+\$400k)
2. QI = Learning environment (supplies, materials, equipment) above budget (-\$770k). Education tools and outdoor equipment below budget (+\$60k)
3. COQ = # of teachers enrolled in TPG lower than budgeted
4. Data & Enrollment Systems, Evaluation = timing of evaluation billings
5. Communications & Outreach = smaller P-team (+\$25k)
6. M&A Staff-Related = understaffing

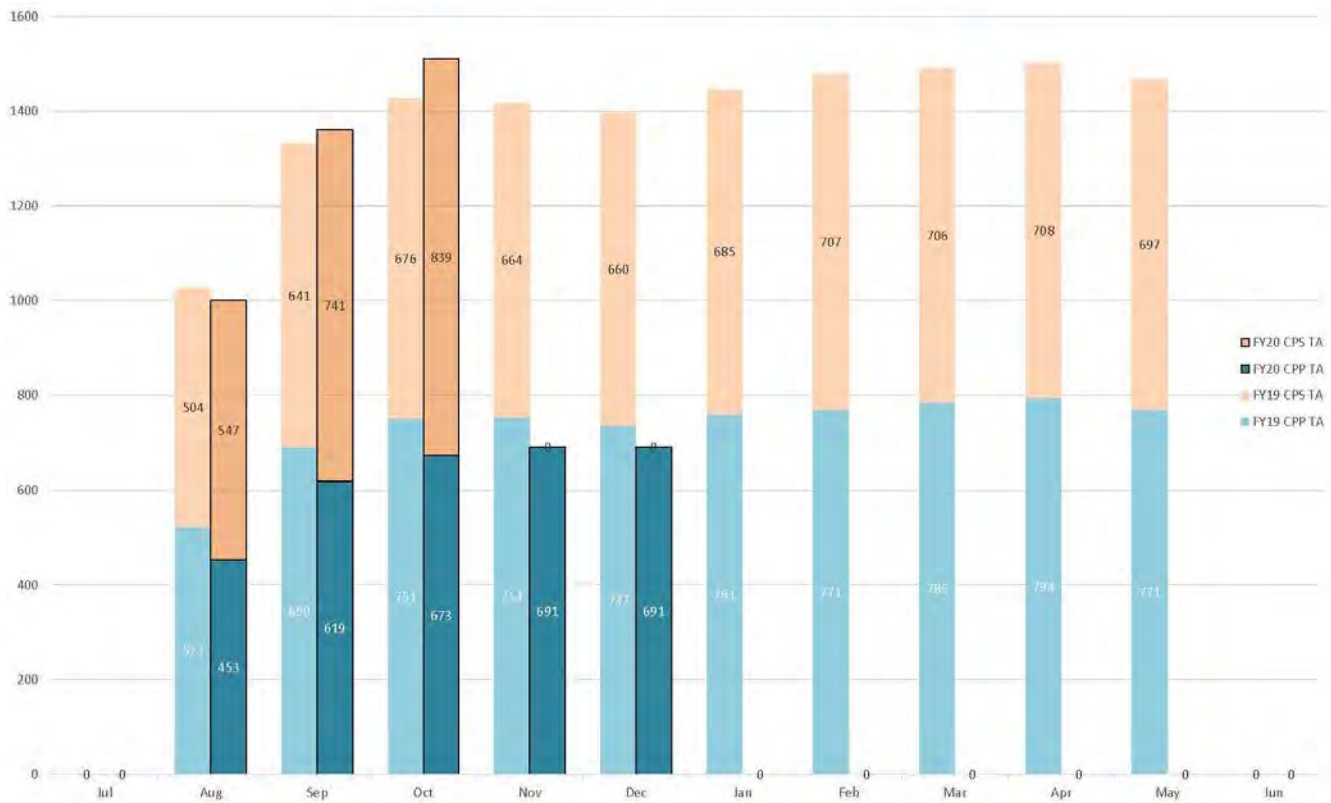
Mr. Polanco updated the group on the Budget – vs – Actual spending for the number of students receiving tuition assistance.

He reported that some categories show improvement in enrollment, others show exact alignment with the budget and that the actual base of enrollment is low.



Mr. Polanco reported that as of September and October combined, more children were being reached, which is more than last year.

FY19 & FY20 Actuals
 # of Enrolled Tuition Assistance Students (CPP + CPS)



Mr. Polanco stated that, “finances are still in an underspent position, and that the budget reach was about 150 students higher than what is being reached in total per month.”

Committee member Bates asked Treasurer Wagner if there could be a Montessori grade 3-6 class co-mingled with traditional preschool classes to meet the needs in the eastern corridor.

Chairperson Bolton pointed out that the Finance Committee will be the committee working on preschool growth.

Committee member Lindy asked how the Finance Committee could be helpful to the Administration. Ms. Wagner advised that when new topics arise, having an opinion from the full Board is always a great help.

Mr. Polanco reported that programs are being discussed to assist and three-, four- and five-star providers coaching to help them remain at that level. He also said that the Preschool Promise board is discussing attendance incentives for parents.

Government Relations

Senator Lou Blessing spoke with Committee about the private schools EdChoice Voucher. He informed the Committee about Matt Dolan’s amendment to the Ed Choice Voucher that would require students attending public school for one year before becoming eligible for a voucher.

Senator Blessing reported that prior to this year there were 270 schools on the traditional EdChoice list, and after the most recent report card and changes in the budget the list grew to 1,270 schools, which amounts to 40 percent of the schools in the State.

The Senator continued to say time was of the essence and that there would most likely be an adjusted compromise of the most extreme proposals. Treasurer Wagner, Superintendent Mitchell and General Counsel Hoying briefed the Senator as to the particular needs and unique characteristics in the CPS experience. Senator Blessing agreed to carry our concerns to the Columbus compromise discussion. He also agreed with Chairperson Bolton that it is wrong to base these decisions on a flawed state report card.

Treasurer Wagner provided the Committee with the following EdChoice Voucher Analysis and will need time to analyze where each of the District’s schools fall under the conditions.

**Cincinnati Public Schools
FY20 Ed Choice Voucher Analysis**

	KG	1-8	9-12	K-12	Annual Cost	Avg
FY19 Nov #2	436.13 9.3%	3356.6 71.9%	875.94 18.8%	4,668.67	\$ 22,649,730.00	\$ 4,851.43
FY19 June Final #1	432.17 9.3%	3348.74 72.0%	870.12 18.7%	4,651.03	\$ 22,501,126.25	\$ 4,837.88
FY20 Nov # 2	452.21 8.5%	3263.55 61.3%	1604.13 30.2%	5,319.89	\$ 26,675,195.40	\$ 5,014.24
Change from June #1	20.04	(85.19)	734.01	668.86	\$ 4,174,069.15	18.6% increase
Change from Nov to Nov	16.08	(93.05)	728.19	651.22		

ASSIGNMENT: The Administration will share materials and information with Senator Blessing.

EdChoice applications open on February 1, 2020.

Financial Audit Update

Kevin Ashley, Director of Financial Reporting, updated the Committee on the District’s following three Interest Revenue reports FYTD Interest Revenue posted July – December 2019, FY20 FYTD Summary-Interest Revenue posted through December 31 and FY20 FYTD – Breakdown Interest Revenue Posted through December 31. Copies of the reports are available in the Board office.

**Cincinnati Public Schools
Prior FY 19 vs Current FY 20 Fiscal Year-to-Date (FYTD)
Interest Revenue Posted
July - December**

Fund	SCC	Description	Totals (Object 414*)		Difference
			Prior FY 19 Actual FYTD	Current FY 20 Actual FYTD	
			July-Dec 2018	July-Dec 2019	
001	00000	General Fund - District Wide SCC	1,043,078.12	1,460,350.49	417,272.37
001	10020	General Fund	356,734.39	80,937.00	(275,797.39)
001	10030	General Fund	171.52	182.96	11.44
001	10040	General Fund	461,733.65	895,322.71	433,589.06
002	15000	2010 QSCB - HB 264 Sinking Fund	126,686.64	143,641.84	16,955.20
002	15010	2010 QSCB - HB 264	11.38	9.76	(1.62)
002	15020	2011 QSCB - HB 264 Sinking Fund	16,127.65	18,626.79	2,499.14
002	15040	2012 QSCB - HB 264	38.95	37.15	(1.80)
002	15050	2012 QSCB - HB 264 Sinking Fund	75,932.18	92,461.48	16,529.30

002	15080	Tax Deposit Account (Co/City pmts)	2,947.09	3,343.82	396.73
003	00000	Permanent Improvement - District Wide SCC	98,141.15	137,016.51	38,875.36
007	70290	Rhodapearl K Bayha Trust (Western Hills Univ HS)	6,787.38	1,953.23	(4,834.15)
007	70650	Western Hills Trust	4,196.28	4,433.82	237.54
007	71040	William J Eckman Trust	7,624.68	7,826.82	202.14
008	78020	Robert Bauer Endowment (Roselawn Condon ES)	4,853.93	5,149.40	295.47
024	04440	Wellness	4,852.36	6,073.54	1,221.18
024	04740	Medical Self Insurance	41,556.13	44,051.46	2,495.33
401	419X0	Auxiliary - Non-Public Schools	8,879.96	5,112.70	(3,767.26)
All		Total	2,260,353.44	2,906,531.48	646,178.04

FYTD Interest Revenue Posted - Through December 31.

Cincinnati Public Schools
2020 Fiscal Year-to-Date Summary Interest Revenue Posted
July 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019

Fund	SCC	Description	Totals (Object 414*)			% Received
			Estimated	Actual	Balance	
001	00000	General Fund - District Wide SCC	2,600,000.00	1,460,350.49	1,139,649.51	56.2%
001	10020	General Fund - Fifth Third	-	80,937.00	(80,937.00)	100.0%
001	10030	General Fund - Star Ohio	-	182.96	(182.96)	100.0%
001	10040	General Fund - US Bank	800,000.00	895,322.71	(95,322.71)	111.9%
002	15000	2010 QSCB - HB 264 Sinking Fund	280,000.00	143,641.84	116,358.16	55.2%
002	15010	2010 QSCB - HB 264	-	9.76	(9.76)	100.0%
002	15020	2011 QSCB - HB 264 Sinking Fund	30,000.00	18,626.79	11,373.21	62.1%
002	15040	2012 QSCB - HB 264	-	37.15	(37.15)	100.0%
002	15050	2012 QSCB - HB 264 Sinking Fund	160,000.00	92,461.48	67,538.52	57.8%
002	15080	Tax Deposit Account - Huntington (Co/City pmts)	-	3,343.82	(3,343.82)	100.0%
003	00000	Permanent Improvement - District Wide SCC	160,000.00	137,016.51	22,983.49	85.6%
007	70290	Rhodapearl K Bayha Trust (Western Hills Univ HS)	1,953.23	1,953.23	-	100.0%
007	70650	Western Hills Trust	22,216.91	4,433.82	17,783.09	20.0%
007	71040	William J Eckman Trust	-	7,826.82	(7,826.82)	100.0%
008	78020	Robert Bauer Endowment (Roselawn Condon ES)	-	5,149.40	(5,149.40)	100.0%
024	04440	Wellness Fund	-	6,073.54	(6,073.54)	100.0%
024	04740	Medical Self Insurance	-	44,051.46	(44,051.46)	100.0%
401	419X0	Auxiliary - Non-Public Schools	-	5,112.70	(5,112.70)	100.0%
All		Total	4,034,170.14	2,906,531.48	1,127,638.66	72.0%

FY20 FYTD - Summary - Interest Revenue Posted - Through December 31.

Cincinnati Public Schools
2020 Fiscal Year-to-Date Breakdown Interest Revenue Posted
July 1, 2019 through December 31, 2019

Fund	SCC	Description	Interest (Object 414*)			BREAKDOWN Dividends (Object 4142*)			Realized Gains/Losses (Object 4143*)		
			Estimated	Actual	Balance	Estimated	Actual	Balance	Estimated	Actual	Balance
001	00000	General Fund - District Wide SCC	2,600,000.00	1,460,350.49	1,139,649.51	-	-	-	-	-	-
001	10020	General Fund	-	80,937.00	(80,937.00)	-	-	-	-	-	-
001	10030	General Fund	-	-	-	-	182.96	(182.96)	-	-	-
001	10040	General Fund	800,000.00	793,181.29	6,818.71	-	-	-	102,141.42	(102,141.42)	-
002	15000	2010 QSCB - HB 264 Sinking Fund	-	-	-	280,000.00	143,641.84	116,358.16	-	-	-
002	15010	2010 QSCB - HB 264	-	-	-	-	9.76	(9.76)	-	-	-
002	15020	2011 QSCB - HB 264 Sinking Fund	30,000.00	18,626.79	11,373.21	-	-	-	-	-	-
002	15040	2012 QSCB - HB 264	-	-	-	-	37.15	(37.15)	-	-	-
002	15050	2012 QSCB - HB 264 Sinking Fund	160,000.00	92,461.48	67,538.52	-	-	-	-	-	-
002	15080	Tax Deposit Account (Co/City pmts)	-	-	-	-	3,343.82	(3,343.82)	-	-	-
003	00000	Permanent Improvement - District Wide SCC	160,000.00	137,016.51	22,983.49	-	-	-	-	-	-
007	70290	Rhodapearl K Bayha Trust (Western Hills Univ HS)	-	-	-	1,953.23	1,953.23	-	-	-	-
007	70650	Western Hills Trust	-	-	-	22,216.91	4,433.82	17,783.09	-	-	-
007	71040	William J Eckman Trust	-	-	-	-	7,826.82	(7,826.82)	-	-	-
008	78020	Robert Bauer Endowment (Roselawn Condon ES)	-	-	-	-	5,149.40	(5,149.40)	-	-	-
024	04440	Wellness	-	6,073.54	(6,073.54)	-	-	-	-	-	-
024	04740	Medical Self Insurance	-	44,051.46	(44,051.46)	-	-	-	-	-	-
401	419X0	Auxiliary - Non-Public Schools	-	5,112.70	(5,112.70)	-	-	-	-	-	-
All		Total	3,760,000.00	2,637,811.26	1,112,198.74	284,170.14	166,578.80	117,591.34	-	102,141.42	(102,141.42)

FY20 FYTD - Breakdown Interest Revenue Posted - Through December 31.

Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR)

Mr. Ashley updated the Committee on Plattenburg's Independent Audit of the District. The auditors' following *Opinion* is contained in the report. A copy of the full report is available in the Board office.

"In our opinion, the financial statements referred to previously present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the District, as of June 30, 2019, and the respective changes in financial position and, where applicable, cash flows thereof for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America."

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

Financial Policies for Review

There were no financial policies needing review.

Ad Hoc Committee

Review Committee Workplan in Alignment with the Strategic Plan and Ad Hoc Committee

The Committee talked about the responsibilities of the Committee and what “success” would look like for the Finance Committee. Ms. Bolton talked about the upcoming levy passing, and about the Committee’s responsibilities that are outlined in the Board’s Bylaws, and Growth being added to the Finance Committee’s responsibilities.

Chairperson Bolton recommended renaming the Finance Committee to the *Budget, Finance and Growth Committee*.

Ms. Bolton recommended that *Growth in Preschool* be added to the Finance Committee’s responsibilities. She also recommended that Governmental Liaisons be a committee of the Administration.

Committee member Bates favors keeping Governmental Liaisons in the Finance Committee.

Ms. Bolton advised the Administration to think about Governmental Liaisons being under their jurisdiction and inform the Board about her recommendation.

Mrs. Mitchell stated she has made arrangements for her and General Counsel Hoying to meet with Mr. Kearney and Mr. Glover on a monthly basis and that they currently have five big topics that they will be addressing.

ASSIGNMENT: The Committee will continue discussions of moving Governmental Liaisons at a full Board meeting under Board Matters.

Tax Abatement Agreement

Mr. Hoying reiterated the Board’s recommendation of standing on the 33 percent abatement, having an annual audit and if this is not accepted by the City, to move forward with creating a Tax Incentive Review Commission (TIRC). He also stated if a third party were to be involved, both entities would need to agree on that third party.

ASSIGNMENT: The Committee will recommend to the Board that a letter be drafted about the Board’s proposal.

Review Committee Workplan in Alignment with the Strategic Plan and AdHoc

Treasurer Wagner and Chairperson Bolton will work on a workplan that will be discussed at the February meeting.

The Committee reviewed its updated responsibilities that were outlined in the Ad Hoc Committee’s January 18, 2020 Committee meeting report.

Governmental Liaison Presentation

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

Projects

- * Execute against CPS Government Relations Plan
- * Meet with Superintendent Laura Mitchell regarding CPS priorities
- * Create and Cultivate Strategic Relationships
- * Local Delegation Meeting

Ohio House - Primary and Secondary Education Committee

Vice Chair, Don Jones (R)

Vice Chair, Susan Manchester (R)

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

Local Delegation: Catherine D. Ingram (D)

H.B. 22 (Antani) To require the Ohio Facilities Construction Commission and the Department of Education to conduct a study regarding certain school building amenities. 1st Hearing on February 19, 2019.

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. 2nd Hearing on January 21, 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. 4th Hearing on January 21, 2020.

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 (Cross) 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 & Sobecki) 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 (Koehler) 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 4 prevention and recovery schools. 1st Hearing 12/10/19.

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.

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. 2nd Hearing on 1/21/20. OSBA, OASBO, BASA provided proponent testimony.

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)

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. 6th Hearing 12/3/19

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. 3rd Hearing 10/15/19

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.

S.B. 102 (Brenner & Lehner) 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. 5th Hearing 1/21/20.

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 or 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

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 5 2019." Passed House 61-31. 1st Hearing in Senate Education Committee on 1/21/20.

Other Business

Tax Incentive Review Commission (TIRC)

Treasurer Wagner reported that she has received emails and volunteers who are interested in participating on the TIRC.

Chairperson Bolton suggested that names of individuals interested in serving on the TIRC be sent to Committee member Bates.

General Counsel Hoying will explore how to create a TIRC.

Committee member Bates, Treasurer Wagner and Internal Auditor Roberts will work together in establishing the TIRC.

2020 Audit Committee Meetings

Ms. Roberts updated the Committee on the Audit Committee's 2020 Committee meeting schedule.

Wednesday, February 26, 2020	Thursday, April 23, 2020	Wednesday, June 24, 2020
Wednesday, August 26, 2020	Wednesday, October 21, 2020	Thursday, December 17, 2020

All meetings will be from 4:30 to 6:00 PM.

The meeting adjourned at 3:18 p.m.

Finance Committee

Eve Bolton, Chair
Melanie Bates
Ben Lindy

Staff Liaisons

Jennifer Wagner, CFO/Treasurer
Laura Mitchell, Superintendent