PIEDMONT UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Jennifer Hawn, Ed. D., Superintendent
Ruth Alahydoian, Chief Business Officer

DATE: June 26, 2024

RE: **DETERMINE SPENDING OF EDUCATION PROTECTION ACCOUNT FUNDS (PART of the LOCAL CONTROL FUNDING FORMULA) FOR 2024-25**

PURPOSE: The Board is required to determine how to spend Education Protection Account (EPA) funds in open session of a public meeting. This resolution satisfies this Constitutional requirement.

BACKGROUND:

In response to the financial challenges and the cuts to school funding during the Great Recession, the voters of California approved Proposition 30 on November 6, 2012, and Proposition 55 on November 8, 2016, which added Article XIII, Section 36 to the California Constitution effective November 7, 2012. The tax revenues generated under this Article are received and disbursed in the Education Protection Account (EPA) and are allocated as a part of the Local Control Funding Formula. However, unlike the State aid and property tax portions of LCFF revenues, EPA revenues cannot be used for salaries or benefits for administrators or any other administrative cost.

The law has two other requirements in addition to the use restrictions: (1) the determination of how the monies will be spent must be made in open session of a public meeting of the governing board, which is satisfied with this board action item; and (2) an accounting of how much EPA money was received and how that money was spent should be posted on the District's website, which is posted after the books are closed in September.

The District expects to receive approximately $461,584 EPA funds in 2024-25. The adopted budget for 2024-25 has all of the EPA funds allocated to teaching positions.

RECOMMENDATION: Review and approve the spending of EPA funds expected to be received in 2024-25 on the salaries and benefits tied to teaching positions.

Attachment