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### AMITY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5

Bethany Orange Woodbridge 25 Newton Road, Woodbridge, Connecticut 06525

Dr. Jennifer P. Byars Superintendent of Schools

# AMITY REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING AGENDA Monday, January 13, 2025 6:30 pm 25 Newton Road, Woodbridge, CT

Lecture Hall

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3. RECOGNITION OF AMITY REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL 2024 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
  - a. Board of Education Special Meeting December 16, 2024 page 4
- 5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON SETTING 2025-2026 SCHOOL CALENDAR page 6
- 6. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 7. CORRESPONDENCE
- 8. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT
  - a. Committee Reports
    - 1. ACES
    - 2. CABE
    - 3. Communications
    - 4. Curriculum
      - Questions about proposed revisions to English, AP US History, and Mandarin Curriculum
    - 5. District Health and Safety
    - 6. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Executive Committee
    - 7. District Technology page 7
      - a. Monthly Report
    - 8. Facilities page 8
      - a. Monthly Report
    - 9. Finance
      - a. Discussion of Monthly Financial Statements page 9
        - i. Special Education Update
      - b. Director of Finance and Administration Approved Transfers Under \$3,000 page 38
      - c. Discussion and Possible Action on Budget Transfers over \$3,000 page 39
      - d. Other
- i. CNR Report page 41
- ii. Educational Expenditure Report page 42
- iii. Grant Report page 43
- 10. Policy
  - a. First Reads
    - i. Policy 5141.231 Psychotropic Drugs page 48
    - ii. Policy 5142.4 School Resource Officer page 50

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#### b. Second Reads

- i. Policy 4118.11 Nondiscrimination/Equal Employment Opportunity page 53
- ii. Policy 5145.53 Transgender and Gender Non-Conforming Youth page 56
- iii. Recommendation to rescind Policies 2111 (Equal Employment Opportunity), 4111.1 (Equal Employment Opportunity) and 5145.4 (Nondiscrimination-Transgender and Gender Non-Conforming Students)

#### 11. Personnel

- a. Personnel Report page 58
- 9. NEW BUSINESS & ANNOUNCEMENTS
  - a. Special Joint AFC and Amity BOE Meeting January 27, 2025
- 10. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING AGENDA Due to Chairperson by January 31, 2025
- 11. ADJOURNMENT

Jennifer P. Byars, Ed.D. Superintendent of Schools

pc: Town Clerks Bethany, Orange, Woodbridge

Working to "enable every Amity student to become a lifelong learner and a literate, caring, creative and effective world citizen."

**District Mission Statement** 

If you require accommodations to participate because of a disability, please contact the office of the Superintendent of Schools in advance at 203-397-4811.

# AMITY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5 BOARD OF EDUCATION



Bethany Orange Woodbridge

#### **NORMS**

#### **BE RESPECTFUL**

- Model civil discourse and discussion, respecting all viewpoints, welcoming ideas, and disagreeing with courtesy.
- Collaborate as a team.
- Listen actively and refrain from interruptions or side conversations.
- Respect each others' time by brevity of comment.
- Be fully present and mindful of the distractions caused by electronic devices.
- Grow and learn from each other.

# HONOR THE POSITION

- Work within the Board's statutory and policy duties.
- Prepare for Board & Committee meetings by reading the packet prior to the meeting.
- Treat each student, parent, and stakeholder respectfully and assist them in following the designated chain of command.
- Be reflective, including conducting an annual Board self-evaluation.

### REPRESENT THE BOARD WITH UNITY AND PRIDE

- Make decisions based on what is best for the collective student body of Amity Regional School District No. 5.
- Respect the professional expertise of the staff.
- Be flexible in response to challenges.
- Collaboratively engage in discussions and actions and once voted on, provide undivided support
  of Board decisions in both public and private.

### AMITY REGIONAL BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

# Monday, December 16, 2024 6:30 pm 25 Newton Road, Woodbridge, CT Lecture Hall

### **BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Paul Davis, Carla Eichler, Sean Hartshorn, Andrea Hubbard, Christina Levere-D'Addio\* (left at 7:55 p.m.), Dana Lombardi, Michael McDonough, Dr. Carol Oladele, Patrick Reed, Donna Schlank and Donna Schuster\* (attended via telephone/ exited at 8:00 p.m.)

### **BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

Cathy Bradley, Dr. Karunakaran

#### STUDENT BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Sophia Messina

#### STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Dr. Jennifer Byars, Andre Hauser, Kathy Burke, Dr. Jason Tracy

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Davis called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

#### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Amity Board of Education Chair Paul Davis

#### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Board of Education Regular Meeting – December 09, 2024

MOTION by Donna Schlank, SECOND by Carla Eichler to approve, with suggested edits, the December 09, 2024 minutes.

**VOTES IN FAVOR, 11 (UNANIMOUS)** 

**MOTION CARRIES** 

### 4. STUDENT RECOGNITION – CAPSS Superintendent Student Award Recognition Program

Presented by Amity Region 5 Superintendent of Schools Dr. Jennifer Byars, Amity Region 5 AMSB Principal Dr. Jason Tracy, Amity Region 5 AMSO Principal Kathy Burke and Amity Region 5 High School Principal Mr. Andre Hauser

#### 5. STUDENT REPORT

a. Monthly Report

Presented by Board of Education student representatives Sophia Messina

#### 6. 3 A's (Academics, Arts, Athletics) AND POG (Portrait of the Graduate) FOCUS PRESENTATION

a. Grade 11 POG Culminating Portfolio – Andrea Drewry and Vicki Hulse

#### 7. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

a. Superintendent Report

# b. 2023-2024 Next Generation Accountability Data Presentation Presented by Amity Region 5 Superintendent of Schools Dr. Jennifer Byars

### 8. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

- a. Committee Reports
  - 1. Curriculum
    - a. <u>Presentation of Curriculum Writing Process</u> Andrea Drewry, Vicki Hulse, Marissa Nall
    - b. Draft Curriculum for February 10, 2025 Approval
      - i. English Grade 9
      - ii. English Grade 10
      - iii. English Grade 11
      - iv. AP US History
      - v. ECE Chinese
- 9. PUBLIC COMMENT Public Comment will be limited to those items noticed in this agenda

# Woodbridge, Parent spoke

10. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING AGENDA – Due to Chairperson by December 31, 2024

### 11. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned, without objection, at 8:35 p.m by Chairperson Davis.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Zaleski

Lisa Zaleski

**BOE** Recording Secretary

# **Amity Regional School District No. 5** 2025-2026 District Calendar

August 19	Date	Event or Holiday		Aug	gus	t 20	25 (	5/5)	
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August 26	August 21	Prof. Dev Teachers Only	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
September 1	August 25	1st Day of School - Students Early Dismissal	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
September 4	August 26	Students Early Dismissal	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
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If emergency closings extend beyond June 30, 2026, then any additional days will be taken from Spring Recess, beginning with April 13, 2026. Amity Regional High School Graduation is traditionally held on the actual last day of school for students. Total Days For Students = 181; Total Days For Teachers =

# December Ticket Summary

Tickets addressed and closed: 357

Tickets open: 14

# HS Student Help Desk

Students helped: 382

Amity Regional School District No. 5

25 Newton Road

Woodbridge, CT 06525 Phone: 203-397-4817

Fax: 203-397-4864

# Amity Regional School District No. 5

# **Technology Department Monthly Report**

# **Completed Projects:**

- Additional data cables have been pulled throughout the District to support additional RFiD card access points as well as upgrade and add additional security cameras
- Reconfiguration of network switches has been completed to address intermittent phone issues at the two middle schools
- Magic School AI has been implemented and made available for teacher use
- Initial Technology Budget has been built and presented

# **Projects in process:**

- 10 Promethean boards have been ordered and are planned for deployment across the District
- Two new District wide Al tools are implemented and currently being evaluated and monitored.
  - Magic School
  - PowerBuddy
- Control cable for three new door access readers has been installed, currently waiting on vendor to install door latch hardware.
- Website redesign is ongoing and major updates have been completed
- Technology Budget
  - Requests are submitted and entered into the new Technology Budget
  - Full audit of current budget is complete in preparation for building the technology budget



January 2025

# **CLEAN**

# SAFE

# **HEALTHY**

# **SCHOOLS**

# Amity Regional School District No. 5

# **Facilities Department Monthly Report**

# Completed Projects:

- New ice machines were installed in each Middle School kitchen by our in house maintainers.
- A faulty zone valve for a heating unit at AMSO was replaced by our in house HVAC mechanic.
- Two broken door locks were replaced by our in house building maintainer.
- Three ceiling lights in the Brady Center were replaced by our in house electrician.
- A deep cleaning of the schools was done over Christmas break.
- The State required Tool for Schools checklists have been completed and submitted. They can be viewed on the District's website at the Facilities page under the Tools for Schools checklist tab: www.amityregion5.org/departments/facilities They are also available for viewing at the District Office by appointment.

# **Projects in Process:**

- One of the two VFD's that were found to be damaged as a result of the microgrid test were replaced by the vendor, the second one was on backorder from the factory and scheduled for a January 21st install.
- The District is working with the Town of Woodbridge to address concerns with the fuel cell and microgrid. District met with the Town of Woodbridge on October 30th to discuss the recent failed microgrid test and will continue to work together to resolve the ongoing concerns. At the time of this report, another meeting with the Town, the District and the State is scheduled for January 10th.
- The fire pump in Bethany needs to be replaced. The District is working with Van Zelm engineers to draft specifications so the project can go out to bid.
- Facilities is working with Van Zelm and Silver Petrucelli to design the scope of work for the HVAC improvements as part of the Media Center upgrade.
- The District met with Titan energy to discuss solar options at ARHS. Another meeting with Titan energy and the Facilities Committee is scheduled for January 27th.

### Outstanding issues to be addressed:



Amity Regional School

Woodbridge, CT 06525

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District No. 5

25 Newton Road

		COLUMN 1	COLUMN 2	COLUMN 3	COLUMN 4	COLUMN 5	COLUMN 6	COL 7
		2023-2024	2024-2025	NOV 24	CHANGE	DEC 24	VARIANCE	FAV
LINE	CATEGORY	ACTUAL	BUDGET	FORECAST	INCR./(DECR.)	<b>FORECAST</b>	OVER/(UNDER)	UNF
1	MEMBER TOWN ALLOCATIONS	53,388,441	55,272,025	55,272,025	0	55,272,025	0	FAV
2	OTHER REVENUE	369,550	247,545	275,710	0	275,710	28,165	FAV
3	OTHER STATE GRANTS	839,037	922,082	795,971	0	795,971	(126,111)	UNF
4	MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	15,385	15,000	19,867	0	19,867	4,867	FAV
5	TOTAL REVENUES	54,612,413	56,456,652	56,363,573	0	56,363,573	(93,079)	UNF
6	SALARIES	29,108,667	31,251,456	31,227,268	(135,436)	31,091,832	(159,624)	FAV
7	BENEFITS	5,796,459	6,828,489	6,813,607	0	6,813,607	(14,882)	FAV
8	PURCHASED SERVICES	9,433,792	10,242,333	9,971,684	(15,539)	9,956,145	(286,188)	FAV
9	DEBT SERVICE	4,417,942	3,858,211	3,858,211	0	3,858,211	0	FAV
10	SUPPLIES (INCLUDING UTILITIES)	3,161,505	3,459,384	3,467,678	140,590	3,608,268	148,884	UNF
11	EQUIPMENT	169,506	200,101	216,261	0	216,261	16,160	UNF
12	IMPROVEMENTS / CONTINGENCY	272,756	392,500	373,215	0	373,215	(19,285)	FAV
13	DUES AND FEES	169,465	224,178	229,178	0	229,178	5,000	UNF
14	TRANSFER ACCOUNT	1,091,054	0	0	0	0	0	FAV
15	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	53,621,146	56,456,652	56,157,102	(10,385)	56,146,717	(309,935)	FAV
16	SUBTOTAL	991,268	0	206,471	10,385	216,856	216,856	FAV
17	PLUS: CANCELLATION OF PRIOR YEAR'S ENCUMBRANCES	59,412	0	0	0	0	0	FAV
18	DESIGNATED FOR SUBSEQUENT YEAR'S BUDGET:	0	0	0	0	0	0	FAV
19	NET BALANCE / (DEFICIT)	1,050,680	0	206,471	10,385	216,856	216,856	FAV

Column 7: FAV=Favorable Variance

		COLUMN 1	COLUMN 2	COLUMN 3	COLUMN 4	COLUMN 5	COLUMN 6	COL 7
		2023-2024	2024-2025	NOV 24	CHANGE	DEC 24	VARIANCE	FAV
LINE	CATEGORY	ACTUAL	BUDGET	FORECAST	INCR./(DECR.)	FORECAST	OVER/(UNDER)	UNF
1	BETHANY ALLOCATION	9,075,014	9,012,104	8,828,986	0	8,828,986	(183,118)	UNF
1a	PRIOR YEAR CREDIT BETHANY	242,337		183,118		183,118	183,118	
2	ORANGE ALLOCATION	25,388,491	27,479,040	26,964,444	0	26,964,444	(514,596)	UNF
2a	PRIOR YEAR CREDIT ORANGE	715,253		514,596		514,596	514,596	
3	WOODBRIDGE ALLOCATION	17,504,540	18,780,881	18,427,914	0	18,427,914	(352,967)	UNF
3a	PRIOR YEAR CREDIT WOODBRIDGE	462,806		352,967		352,967	352,967	
4	MEMBER TOWN ALLOCATIONS	53,388,441	55,272,025	55,272,025	0	55,272,025	0	FAV
5	ATHLETICS	27,229	28,000	28,000	0	28,000	0	FAV
6	INVESTMENT INCOME	151,963	60,000	85,000	0	85,000	25,000	FAV
7	PARKING INCOME	32,019	31,150	31,150	0	31,150	0	FAV
8	RENTAL INCOME	33,887	25,000	21,000	0	21,000	(4,000)	UNF
9	TUITION REVENUE	124,453	103,395	110,560	0	110,560	7,165	FAV
10	TRANSPORTATION BOWA AGREEMENT	0	0	0	0	0	0	FAV
11	OTHER REVENUE	369,550	247,545	275,710	0	275,710	28,165	FAV
12	ADULT EDUCATION	4,521	4,754	4,754	0	4,754	0	FAV
14	SPECIAL EDUCATION GRANTS	812,416	893,928	769,117	0	769,117	(124,811)	UNF
15	TRANSPORTATION INCOME-MAGNET	22,100	23,400	22,100	0	22,100	(1,300)	UNF
16	OTHER STATE GRANTS	839,037	922,082	795,971	0	795,971	(126,111)	UNF
17	INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE	0	0	0	0	0	0	FAV
18	OTHER REVENUE	15,385	15,000	19,867	0	19,867	4,867	FAV
19	TRANSFER IN	0	0	0	0	0	0	FAV
20	MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	15,385	15,000	19,867	0	19,867	4,867	FAV
21	TOTAL REVENUES	54,612,413	56,456,652	56,363,573	0	56,363,573	(93,079)	UNF

Column 7: FAV=Favorable Variance

		COLUMN 1	COLUMN 2	COLUMN 3	COLUMN 4	COLUMN 5	COLUMN 6	COL 7
		2023-2024	2024-2025	NOV 24	CHANGE	<b>DEC 24</b>	VARIANCE	FAV
LINE	CATEGORY	ACTUAL	BUDGET	FORECAST	INCR./(DECR.)	FORECAST	OVER/(UNDER)	UNF
1	5111-CERTIFIED SALARIES	23,917,065	25,596,300	25,640,908	(74,350)	25,566,558	(29,742)	FAV
2	5112-CLASSIFIED SALARIES	5,191,602	5,655,156	5,586,360	(61,086)	5,525,274	(129,882)	FAV
	SALARIES	29,108,667	31,251,456	31,227,268	(135,436)	31,091,832	(159,624)	FAV
4	5200-MEDICARE - ER	407,317	455,244	455,244	0	455,244	0	FAV
5	5210-FICA - ER	337,860	360,217	360,217	0	360,217	0	FAV
6	5220-WORKERS' COMPENSATION	158,561	165,818	158,586	0	158,586	(7,232)	FAV
7	5255-MEDICAL & DENTAL INSURANCE	3,611,804	4,574,718	4,549,222	0	4,549,222	(25,496)	FAV
8	5860-OPEB TRUST	265,890	291,313	291,313	0	291,313	0	FAV
9	5260-LIFE INSURANCE	48,405	64,396	64,396	0	64,396	0	FAV
10	5275-DISABILITY INSURANCE	12,106	12,062	12,062	0	12,062	0	UNF
11	5280-PENSION PLAN - CLASSIFIED	726,430	670,604	670,604	0	670,604	0	FAV
12	5281-DEFINED CONTRIBUTION RETIREMENT PLAN	189,595	197,327	197,327	0	197,327	0	FAV
13	5282-RETIREMENT SICK LEAVE - CERT	0	0	0	0	0	0	FAV
14	5283-RETIREMENT SICK LEAVE - CLASS	0	0	0	0	0	0	FAV
15	5284-SEVERANCE PAY - CERTIFIED	0	0	0	0	0	0	FAV
16	5290-UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION	36,600	7,590	25,436	0	25,436	17,846	UNF
17	5291-CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	1,891	2,200	2,200	0	2,200	0	FAV
18	5292-TUITION REIMBURSEMENT	0	27,000	27,000	0	27,000	0	FAV
19	BENEFITS	5,796,459	6,828,489	6,813,607	0	6,813,607	(14,882)	FAV
20	5322-INSTRUCTIONAL PROG IMPROVEMENT	61,690	64,200	64,200	0	64,200	0	FAV
21	5327-DATA PROCESSING	132,568	138,302	138,302	0	138,302	0	FAV
22	5330-PROFESSIONAL & TECHNICAL SRVC	2,129,837	2,298,132	2,356,124	0	2,356,124	57,992	UNF
23	5440-RENTALS - LAND, BLDG, EQUIPMENT	109,700	112,566	112,566	0	112,566	0	FAV
24	5510-PUPIL TRANSPORTATION	3,833,125	4,020,506	3,918,264	30,529	3,948,793	(71,713)	FAV
25	5521-GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE	282,623	305,004	309,835	0	309,835	4,831	UNF
26	5550-COMMUNICATIONS: TEL, POST, ETC.	103,472	115,076	115,076	0	115,076	0	FAV
27	5560-TUITION EXPENSE	2,712,997	3,093,272	2,862,042	(46,068)	2,815,974	(277,298)	FAV
28	5590-OTHER PURCHASED SERVICES	67,780	95,275	95,275	0	95,275	0	FAV
29	PURCHASED SERVICES	9,433,792	10,242,333	9,971,684	(15,539)	9,956,145	(286,188)	FAV

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		COLUMN 1	COLUMN 2	COLUMN 3	COLUMN 4	COLUMN 5	COLUMN 6	COL 7
		2023-2024	2024-2025	NOV 24	CHANGE	DEC 24	VARIANCE	FAV
LINE	CATEGORY	ACTUAL	BUDGET	FORECAST	INCR./(DECR.)	FORECAST	OVER/(UNDER)	UNF
30	5830-INTEREST	523,986	368,978	368,978	0	368,978	0	FAV
	5910-REDEMPTION OF PRINCIPAL	3,893,956	3,489,233	3,489,233	0	3,489,233	0	FAV
32	DEBT SERVICE	4,417,942	3,858,211	3,858,211	0	3,858,211	0	FAV
33	5410-UTILITIES, EXCLUDING HEAT	679,399	712,402	715,511	125,000	840,511	128,109	UNF
34	5420-REPAIRS, MAINTENANCE & CLEANING	792,147	802,305	821,590	0	821,590	19,285	UNF
35	5611-INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES	371,596	444,802	439,802	0	439,802	(5,000)	FAV
36	5613-MAINTENANCE/CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	172,498	240,780	240,780	0	240,780	0	FAV
37	5620-OIL USED FOR HEATING	63,373	60,930	60,930	0	60,930	0	FAV
38	5621-NATURAL GAS	84,228	104,180	104,180	0	104,180	0	FAV
39	5627-TRANSPORTATION SUPPLIES	197,523	180,913	180,913	15,590	196,503	15,590	UNF
40	5641-TEXTS & DIGITAL RESOURCES	117,975	178,281	178,281	0	178,281	0	FAV
41	5642-LIBRARY BOOKS & PERIODICALS	17,715	20,550	20,550	0	20,550	0	FAV
42	5690-OTHER SUPPLIES	230,134	257,296	257,296	0	257,296	0	FAV
43	5695-OTHER SUPPLIES-TECHNOLOGY	434,917	456,945	447,845	0	447,845	(9,100)	FAV
44	SUPPLIES (INCLUDING UTILITIES)	3,161,505	3,459,384	3,467,678	140,590	3,608,268	148,884	UNF
45	5730-EQUIPMENT - NEW	36,099	2,000	2,000	0	2,000	0	FAV
46	5731-EQUIPMENT - REPLACEMENT	60,136	52,301	52,301	0	52,301	0	FAV
47	5732-EQUIPMENT - TECH - NEW	317	0	0	0	0	0	FAV
48	5733-EQUIPMENT - TECH - REPLACEMENT	72,954	145,800	161,960	0	161,960	16,160	UNF
49	EQUIPMENT	169,506	200,101	216,261	0	216,261	16,160	UNF
50	5715-IMPROVEMENTS TO BUILDING	175,146	73,500	73,500	0	73,500	0	FAV
51	5715-FACILITIES CONTINGENCY	100,000	100,000	100,000	0	100,000	0	FAV
51a	TRSF. FROM FACILITIES CONTINGENCY	-100,000	0	(19,285)	0	(19,285)	(19,285)	FAV
52	5720-IMPROVEMENTS TO SITES	97,610	69,000	69,000	0	69,000	0	FAV
53	5850-DISTRICT CONTINGENCY	137,162	150,000	150,000	0	150,000	0	FAV
53a	TRSF. FROM CONTINGENCY TO OTHER ACCTS.	-137,162	0	0	0	0	0	FAV
54	IMPROVEMENTS / CONTINGENCY	272,756	392,500	373,215	0	373,215	(19,285)	FAV

Column 7: FAV=Favorable Variance

		COLUMN 1	COLUMN 2	COLUMN 3	COLUMN 4	COLUMN 5	COLUMN 6	COL 7
		2023-2024	2024-2025	NOV 24	CHANGE	DEC 24	VARIANCE	FAV
LINE	CATEGORY	ACTUAL	BUDGET	FORECAST	INCR./(DECR.)	FORECAST	OVER/(UNDER)	UNF
55	5580-STAFF TRAVEL	24,997	25,888	25,888	0	25,888	0	FAV
56	5581-TRAVEL - CONFERENCES	53,964	86,855	91,855	0	91,855	5,000	UNF
57	5810-DUES & FEES	90,504	111,435	111,435	0	111,435	0	FAV
58	DUES AND FEES	169,465	224,178	229,178	0	229,178	5,000	UNF
59	5856-TRANSFER ACCOUNT	1,091,054	0	0	0	0	0	FAV
60	TOTAL EXPENDITURES	53,621,146	56,456,652	56,157,102	(10,385)	56,146,717	(309,935)	FAV
61								
Note:	RESTRICTED - RETURN TO TOWNS	1,050,680						

# AMITY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5 REVENUES & EXPENDITURES BY CATEGORY FINANCIAL ANALYSIS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025



#### December 2024

## 2024-2025 FORECAST

#### **OVERVIEW**

The projected unspent fund balance for this fiscal year is \$216,856 FAV, previously \$206,471 FAV, which appears on page 1, column 6, and line 19. The unspent funds from fiscal year 2024, \$1,050,680 once audited will be deducted from the town allocations in March 2025. This is comprised of \$991,268 of FY24 unspent funds and \$59,412 in FY23 unspent encumbrances. This Board approved 2% of the unspent funds as an end-of-year transfer. The appropriation request to the educational expenditure account is shown on line 59 of the Excel file. The District is legally allowed to transfer with Board approval up to 2% or \$1,091,054 of the current budget if funds become available. The item was approved at the September 2024 meeting.

# **REVENUES BY CATEGORY**

The projected yearend balance of revenues is \$93,079 UNF, previously \$93,079, UNF which appears on page 2, column 6, line 21.

# **LINE 5 on Page 2: ATHLETICS:**

The forecast is based on the budget developed on historical payments. *The forecast is neutral*.

### **LINE 6 on Page 2: INVESTMENT INCOME:**

The forecast is based on the budget developed. *The forecast is \$25,000 FAV, previously \$25,000 FAV.* 

		State Treasurer's
<b>Month</b>	M&T Bank	<b>Investment Fund</b>
July 2024	.40%	5.43%
August 2024	.40%	5.41%
September 2024	.40%	5.26%
October 2024	.40%	5.00%
November 2024	.40%	4.82%
December		

### **LINE 7 on Page 2: PARKING INCOME:**

The forecast is based on the budget developed on actual payments. *The forecast is neutral*.

### **LINE 8 on Page 2: RENTAL INCOME:**

The forecast is based on the budget developed on estimated payments for the fiscal year. *The forecast is \$4,000 UNF, previously \$4,000 UNF*.

# **LINE 9 on Page 2: TUITION REVENUE:**

The budget is based on seven tuition students, three at a reduced employee rates. Full tuition rate is \$21,636. The actual tuition charged is higher (\$578 per year). Seven tuition students are enrolled, including three at reduced employee rates, and two students not yet moved into the District paying monthly. The forecast is \$7,165 FAV, including \$2,838 from the rate change, previously \$7,165 FAV.

# **LINE 12 on Page 2: ADULT EDUCATION:**

The forecast is based on historical data of State payments. *The forecast is neutral*.

## **LINE 14 on Page 2: SPECIAL EDUCATION GRANTS:**

The current projection is based on budgeted costs for placements and transportation. The budget assumes a 68% reimbursement rate. The State passed legislation in June 2023 which increased the reimbursement rate to 85% but still capped at 68% reimbursement. The latest information indicates the rate for this year may be 67%. This impacts the budget. The forecast is \$124,811 UNF, previously \$124,811 UNF due to current student placement and transportation cost estimates.

# **LINE 15 on Page 2: TRANSPORTATION INCOME:**

The forecast is based on projected State payments and enrollment for magnet school transportation budgeted. *The forecast is \$1,300 UNF, previously neutral*.

# **LINE 18 on Page 2: OTHER REVENUE:**

The forecast is based on the budget developed on historical payments. *The forecast is* \$4,867 FAV, previously \$4,867 FAV.

# **EXPENDITURES BY CATEGORY**

The projected yearend balance of expenditures is \$309,935 FAV, previously \$299,550 FAV which appears on page 5, column 6, line 60.

# LINE 1 on Page 3: 5111-CERTIFIED SALARIES:

The forecast is based on budget. There are still vacant positions. Turnover savings on positions filled to date is currently more than budgeted, \$3,339 FAV, previously \$89,409 UNF. There were 5 retirements budgeted, and only 3 retirements submitted. The salary for staff filling positions due to retirement and resignations is more than budgeted. The budget assumes new hires at step MA5, however the average of new staff is MA9 step. This does translate to a more experienced teaching staff, but not as much of a monetary savings. There is currently \$72,152 FAV from unpaid leaves. *The account is forecasted to be* \$29,742 FAV, previously \$44,608 UNF.

# **LINE 2 on Page 3: 5112-CLASSIFIED SALARIES:**

The forecast is based on budget. The cyber tech position was outsourced, savings of \$58,198 on the salary line. Turnover on positions filled to date exceeds the turnover estimates by \$4,904 FAV, previously \$4,904 FAV. Forecast for all accounts are

\$129,882 FAV, previously \$68,796 FAV. There is a significant turnover in paraeducators, several custodians and secretaries, creating gaps in filling positions.

# LINES 4 & 5 on Page 3: 5200 & 5210-MEDICARE & FICA:

The forecast is based on budget.

# LINE 6: 5220 on Page 3-WORKERS' COMPENSATION:

The workers' compensation premium is more than budgeted. The renewal policy is \$665 UNF. The District received a members' equity rebate for \$7,897 FAV. The forecast is \$7,232 FAV.

# **LINES 7 on Page 3: 5255-MEDICAL AND DENTAL INSURANCE:**

The following charts are included to track how the District's actual claims are comparing against the expected claims. How claims are running for the year has always been a common question, so the charts for claims and fees are shown monthly. However, claims are <u>one</u> piece of the medical budget line shown in the Excel file. Fees, employee contributions, grant funding, employer contributions to employee HSA accounts and reserve funding are other factors built into the Medical and Dental Insurance Budget. The claims chart in the Word document will not equal the Excel line since it is only one factor of the data comprising the medical budget. Certainly claims are a significant factor which is why it is given in detail below. *Claims are forecasted to be 100.8% of budget.* 

The forecast projects actual claims and fees of current employees and retirees will be neutral with the budget, however claims are more than the month-to-month forecast. The projected monthly budget is based on an average of five years of claims. One position was outsourced, projecting a savings of \$25,496 in claims and fees.

#### CLAIMS OF CURRENT EMPLOYEES AND RETIREES

	CLAIMS OF CORRENT EMILETEES AND RETREES											
	2	2024-2025	2024-2025			2	2023-2024	2	2022-2023			
MONTH	I	ACTUAL	BUDGET	VA	VARIANCE		ACTUAL	A	ACTUAL			
JUL*	\$	347,337	\$ 370,320	\$	(22,983)	\$	364,829	\$	34,837			
AUG	\$	488,825	\$ 517,730	\$	(28,905)	\$	641,037	\$	798,616			
SEP	\$\$	404,062	\$ 475,645	\$	(71,583)	\$	412,377	\$	551,212			
<b>OCT</b>	\$	549,988	\$ 390,384	\$	159,604	\$	508,930	\$	297,594			
NOV	\$	458,288	\$ 457,220	\$	1,068	\$	541,882	\$	306,068			
DEC	\$\$	477,519	\$ 607,753	\$	(130,234)	\$	363,042	\$	435,108			
JAN	\$	391,200	\$ 391,200	\$	1	\$	220,714	\$	311,328			
FEB	\$	283,638	\$ 283,638	\$	-	\$	183,906	\$	190,062			
MAR	\$	368,489	\$ 368,489	\$	1	\$	261,829	\$	313,582			
APR	\$	332,509	\$ 332,509	\$	1	\$	266,018	\$	222,547			
MAY	\$	348,408	\$ 348,408	\$	-	\$	456,890	\$	486,004			
JUN	\$	348,237	\$ 348,237	\$	-	\$	369,321	\$	302,891			
TOTALS	\$	4,798,499	\$ 4,891,532	\$	(93,033)	\$	4,590,775	\$	4,249,849			

### ACTUAL/FORECAST CLAIMS AS A PERCENTAGE OF EXPECTED CLAIMS

2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025
ACTUAL	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	FORECAST
75.8%	97.3%	93.6%	99.5%	98.1%

<sup>\*</sup>Incomplete billing cycle in July 2023

# FEES OF CURRENT EMPLOYEES AND RETIREES

(Stop-Loss Premiums, Network Access Fees, and Other Fees)

,		024-2025		024-2025		s rees, and		023-2024	2022-2023	
MONTH	MONTH ACTUAL		BUDGET		VA	VARIANCE		ACTUAL		CTUAL
JUL	\$	50,798	\$	37,888	\$	12,910	\$	44,555	\$	30
AUG	\$	54,969	\$	63,533	\$	(8,564)	\$	54,176	\$	83,030
SEP	\$	14,743	\$	52,368	\$	(37,625)	\$	53,028	\$	61,858
OCT	\$	53,552	\$	54,324	\$	(772)	\$	52,666	\$	47,063
NOV	\$	53,061	\$	53,324	\$	(263)	\$	53,732	\$	50,445
DEC	\$	51,875	\$	56,241	\$	(4,366)	\$	53,218	\$	52,888
JAN	\$	45,676	\$	45,676	\$	-	\$	48,165	\$	25,978
FEB	\$	66,557	\$	66,557	\$	-	\$	57,785	\$	46,388
MAR	\$	55,147	\$	55,147	\$	-	\$	(8,744)	\$	74,389
APR	\$	50,345	\$	50,345	\$	-	\$	46,575	\$	43,145
MAY	\$	54,104	\$	54,104	\$	-	\$	41,342	\$	47,499
JUN	\$	44,360	\$	44,360	\$	-	\$	(6,272)	\$	18,816
TOTALS	\$	595,187	\$	633,867	\$	(38,680)	\$	490,226	\$	551,529

# **LINE 9 on Page 3: 5260-LIFE INSURANCE:**

The forecast is based on budget.

# **LINE 10 on Page 3: 5275-DISABILITY INSURANCE:**

The forecast is based on budget.

# **LINE 16 on Page 3: 5290-UNEMPLOYMENT:**

The forecast is based on first quarter billing, \$17,846 UNF, previously \$17,846 UNF.

# LINE 22 on Page 3: 5330-PROFESSIONAL TECHNICAL SERVICES:

The forecast is projected to be over budget due to outsourcing one position for cybersecurity, \$83,694 UNF. This is offset by savings on a student device lease agreement of \$25,702 FAV. *Net for the account is currently,* \$57,992 UNF, previously \$57,992 UNF.

# LINE 23 on Page 3: 5440-RENTALS:

The forecast is based on budget.

# **LINE 24 on Page 3: 5510-PUPIL TRANSPORTATION:**

Special Education Transportation continues to fluctuate to meet student enrollment and needs. The number of students transported each month as well as the facilities students are

transported to each month varies. The change month-to-month reflects students who exited programs early and lower than budgeted expenses for some students. *The forecast including special education transportation is \$71,713 FAV, previously \$102,242 FAV for Vo-Ag and Vo-Tech bussing.* A bus was reduced to Emmett O'Brien tech due to low enrollment, this reduction was captured in the budget and is not an additional savings. The actual Platt Tech bus cost was less than estimated, \$28,168 FAV.

LINE 25 on Page 3: 5521-GENERAL LIABILITY INSURANCE: Various liability policies, including medical professional renewed under budget, while Student Accident insurance renewed over budget. General liability is under \$3,825 FAV and medical professional coverage is under \$306 Student Accident is \$8,962 UNF. Account is \$4,831 UNF, previously \$4,831 UNF.

# LINE 26 on Page 3: 5550-COMMUNICATION: TEL, POST, ETC:

The forecast is based on budget.

### LINE 27 on Page 3: 5560-TUITION EXPENSE:

Special Education tuition is under review as student enrollment and needs are not finalized for the start of the year. The forecast for these accounts is \$277,298 FAV, previously \$231,230 FAV. The tuition rate for vocational and magnet schools was reduced by the State Legislature in June 2024. Data changes based on actual student placements and services.

Tuition for the Vo-Ag schools is based on \$104,238 FAV, previously \$104,242 FAV.

	FY20-21	FY21-22	FY22-23	FY23-24	FY24-25	FY24-25
	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	<b>BUDGET</b>	FORECAST
Sound	5	3	3	3	5	4
Trumbull	3	1	3	4	4	3
Nonnewaug	7	9	7	8	8	4(5)
Common						
Ground						
Charter HS	1	1	3	2	1	0
NH Coop						
Arts	0	0	0	0	0	1
Hill Career						
Magnet	0	0	1	0	0	0
Wintergreen						
Magnet						
	0	1	0	0	0	0
Marine						
Science						
Magnet HS	0	0	1	0	0	0
Engineering						
Science						
Magnet	0	0	0	0	0	1
Lyman						
Hall-Vo-	0	0	0	0	0	1
AG School						

# ECA is \$53,254 FAV, previously \$53,254 FAV.

	FY20-21	FY21-22	FY22-23	FY23-24	FY24-25	FY24-25
	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	ACTUAL	BUDGET	FORECAST
ECA	16	18	19	19	19	19

# Public (ACES) and private out-of-district placements are \$119,806 FAV, previously \$73,737 FAV.

	FY20-21 ACTUAL	FY21-22 ACTUAL	FY22-23 ACTUAL	FY23-24 ACTUAL	FY24-25 BUDGET	FY24-25 FORECAST
Public						
SPED	6	10	9	8	11	9(10)
Private						
SPED	27	20	16	19	16	15
Totals	33	30	25	27	27	24(25)

# LINE 33 on Page 4: 5410-UTILITIES, EXCLUDING HEAT:

The 2024-2025 budget for electricity assumes the use of 3,377,000 kilowatt hours at an average price of 0.07988 or a cost of \$620,567 with delivery charges. Forecast is \$125,000 UNF due to delivery and public benefit charges, previously neutral. It is difficult to estimate the supplemental charges and current rates project a \$195,000 UNF affect on the account. The forecast is projecting a slight decrease in the monthly during the winter months as we have seen in the past but it is unclear if that will materialize.

The budget for propane is \$4,635. *The forecast is neutral*.

The budget for water is \$59,200. *The forecast is neutral*.

Sewer costs are budgeted at \$31,109. *The forecast is \$3,109 UNF, previously 3,109 UNF.* 

#### **ELECTRICITY (KILOWATT HOURS)**

MONTH	2024-2025 FORECAST	2024-2025 BUDGET	VARIANCE	2023-2024 ACTUAL	2022-2023 ACTUAL
JUL	352,636	307,438	45,198	275,363	325,263
AUG	341,068	339,080	1,988	339,333	350,459
SEP	315,393	304,849	10,544	295,827	294,292
OCT	302,667	278,181	24,486	250,944	252,949
NOV	264,619	261,922	2,697	251,734	252,160
DEC	259,642	259,642	-	233,988	245,784
JAN	275,541	275,541	-	271,629	262,051
FEB	270,438	270,438	-	255,916	259,362
MAR	255,558	255,558	-	242,795	249,254
APR	264,677	264,677	-	262,074	250,112
MAY	257,500	257,500	-	288,966	264,292
JUN	302,174	302,174	-	320,107	287,285
Totals	3,461,913	3,377,000	84,913	3,288,676	3,293,263

#### **DEGREE DAYS**

There are 2,351 degree days to date as opposed to 2,415 last year.

LINE 34 on Page 4: 5420-REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE: The forecast is projected to be \$19,285 UNF, previously \$19,285 UNF. A budget transfer was approved in October to cover duct cleaning at AMSO, \$9,800 UNF. A transfer request was approved in November for \$9,485 for 2 variable frequency drives damaged during the microgrid test at ARHS.

LINE 36 on Page 4: 5613-MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES: The forecast is projected to be neutral.

# LINE 37 & 38 on Page 4: 5620 & 5621-OIL & NATURAL GAS:

The budget for natural gas is \$104,180 and the budget for oil is \$2.83 per gallon, and \$60,930 annually. *The forecast is projected to be neutral.* 

LINE 39 on Page 4: 5627-TRANSPORTATION SUPPLIES: The forecast is projected to be \$15,590 UNF, previously neutral. The amount of fuel allocated to drivers has increased in the past two years based on actual daily run mileage and two gasoline fueled busses that have different fuel allotments. This account was over budget last year and the current data indicates it will be over budget this fiscal year. The account has been adjusted in the proposed FY26 budget.

# LINE 43 on Page 4: 5695-OTHER SUPPLIES-TECHNOLOGY:

The forecast is projected to be \$9,100 FAV, previously \$9,100 FAV.

### LINE 45 on Page 4: 5730-EQUIPMENT -NEW:

The forecast is projected to be neutral.

# LINE 46 on Page 4: 5731-EQUIPMENT -REPLACEMENT:

The forecast is projected to be neutral.

<u>LINE 48 on Page 4: 5733-EQUIPMENT -TECHNOLOGY-REPLACEMENT:</u> The forecast is projected to be \$16,160 UNF, previously \$16,160 UNF. A transfer was approved in October to cover the purchase of an additional 20 teacher devices (40 in total).

# LINE 51 on Page 4: 5715-FACILITIES CONTINGENCY:

The budget includes a \$100,000 contingency for unplanned, necessary facility expenditures. The forecast assumes these funds will be entirely used. A transfer request was approved for \$9,800 for duct cleaning at AMSO. A transfer request was approved in November for \$9,485 for 2 variable frequency drives damaged during the microgrid test at ARHS. The facilities contingency balance is \$80,715.

# **LINE 53 on Page 4: 5850-CONTINGENCY:**

The budget includes a \$150,000 contingency for unplanned, necessary expenditures. The forecast assumes these funds will be entirely used.

# LINE 59 on Page 5: 5856-TRANSFER:

This line is used to identify funds for the Educational Expenditures Reserve transfers. The District is legally allowed to transfer with Board approval up to 2% or \$1,129,132 of the current budget. The item will be presented after the final balance for the FY25 is confirmed at the August/September 2025 meeting.

# **LINE 61 on Page 5: RESTRICTED: RETURN TO TOWNS:**

The line is for the unspent funds from FY24. The audited amount of unspent funds of \$1,050,680 FAV will be credited to the member towns' March allocations. This is comprised of \$991,268 of unspent funds in FY24 and unliquidated encumbrances from FY23 of \$59,412. *The town allocations will be reduced in March 2025.* 

#### APPENDIX A

# COST SAVINGS AND EFFICIENCIES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025

# TOTAL ANNUAL SAVINGS TO-DATE OF: \$48,627

**<u>\$7,055 Cable Advisory Grant:</u>** The District will use these funds for cameras.

<u>\$21,138 E-Rate Credits</u>: The District's application for E-Rate credits is submitted. The amount will reflect discounted invoices for the CEN – state provided internet connection.

**<u>\$20,433 Pegpetia Grant</u>**: The District's application for Pegpetia funds was approved. The District used these funds for new transmission, switching, and streaming systems for both of Amity's Middle Schools. This will provide students with a stable platform from which students may produce live events or live-to-tape events. Students can collaboratively work to produce and stream morning announcements, student video projects, student news segments, guest speakers, school presentations.

There is a detailed history of the District's efforts to save dollars and operate efficiently. This information is posted on the District's website:

- Energy Savings Initiatives for the past decade http://www.amityregion5.org/boe/sub-committees/finance-committe
- District recognized CQIA Innovation Prize for Fostering a District Culture of Maximizing Cost Savings and Efficiencies <a href="http://www.amityregion5.org/boe/sub-committees/finance-committee2">http://www.amityregion5.org/boe/sub-committees/finance-committee2</a>
- Fiscal Year 2023-2024 \$965,771
- Fiscal Year 2022-2023 \$ 42,565
- Fiscal Year 2021-2022 \$ 78,854
- Fiscal Year 2020-2021 \$128,708
- Fiscal Year 2019-2020 \$ 43.497
- Fiscal Year 2018-2019 \$ 52,451
- Fiscal Year 2017-2018 \$746,688
- Fiscal Year 2016-2017 \$595,302
- Fiscal Year 2015-2016 \$125,911
- Fiscal Year 2014-2015 \$139,721
- <a href="http://www.amityregion5.org/boe/sub-committees/finance-committee">http://www.amityregion5.org/boe/sub-committees/finance-committee</a>

#### APPENDIX B

# MONTHLY FORECASTS: PURPOSE, METHODOLOGY, HISTORICAL

# **PURPOSE & METHODOLOGY:**

A forecast is a prediction or estimate of future events and trends. <u>It is only as good as the data available and the assumptions used.</u> We use current information and past history.

There are many factors, which can significantly impact expenditures, both positively and negatively (e.g., staff turnover, vacancies and leaves-of absence; medical and dental insurance claims when self-insured; special education expenditures; major facility repairs; snow removal).

Two of the three past fiscal years were significantly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. School operations were halted or modified and not at 100% for either year. The District staff took many steps to reserve the general operating budget to meet the demands and brace for the unknown costs. Nearly one million dollars was held from accounts to prepare for operations in fiscal year 2021. Grant funding from State and Federal sources became available during the year. These funds were used to offset unexpected costs and plan for the future costs. Some of the funds do not expire until September 2024. The administration is planning to use funds as required by grant guidelines while limiting the impact to future budgets. The most recent fiscal year, 2022, also reflects an increase from May to June forecast but is offset by an increase to the Capital Nonrecurring Account request from 1% to 2%.

To illustrate, a special education student could move into the District in mid-year and the cost impact could be over \$100,000 and/or we could have a 'bad claims year' and wipe out the Self Insurance Reserve Fund and need other funds to cover claims of current employees and retirees. If we do not have available funds to cover these and other potential shortfalls, the necessity to seek additional funding from the public would be our only option (as only the towns have a fund balance from prior years available to use in the case of an emergency).

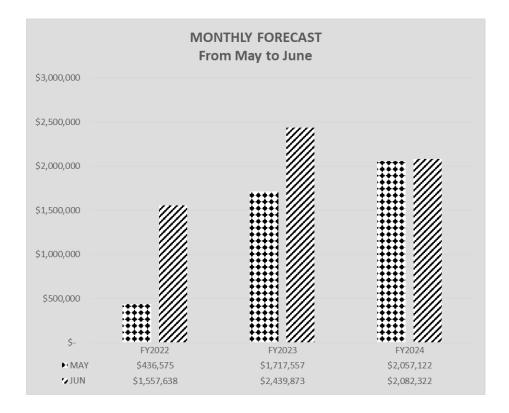
Revenues can be most impacted by decisions made at the State level for Special Education and Transportation grants. We have seen the reimbursement rate change in mid-year.

Prudent financial management is necessary. We need to be sure the total expenditures budget is never overspent (and may need to be underspent if revenues are below budget because total expenditures cannot exceed total revenues). It is imperative we 'hold back' on spending any of the Contingency Account until it is absolutely necessary or we are close to yearend. The Superintendent of Schools and Director of Finance and Administration review and approve or deny all purchase orders. We are careful to make sure funds are only spent when necessary and not just because 'it is in the budget'. We are constantly faced with the 'what-ifs' of over expenditures in certain accounts. We need to be sure there are sufficient funds available. As a result, the fund balance has been larger towards the end of the fiscal year.

Furthermore, the monthly forecasts are based on the information available. We have had large, unexpected or highly unpredictable events at the end of the fiscal year (mostly of a positive nature), which significantly changed the forecast from May to June.

# **HISTORICAL:**

The chart below depicts the yearend balance projected in May and June of each of the past three fiscal years.



The major contributors of the significant change from the May to June forecasts are detailed below.

# FY2022:

The audited fund balance is \$628,463. This surplus from prior year was credited to the member towns March allocation payment for FY23. The monthly forecast for May 2022 projected a fund balance of \$436,575 which included \$516,982 designated for the capital non-recurring account (CNR). The change is \$1,121,063 higher than the prior month's forecast including the increase from 1% to 2% to CNR. The major reasons for the increase in the yearend fund balance from one month to the next month were, as follows:

• \$102,543: Certified and classified salaries were lower than forecasted. It is not until the end of the fiscal year when we know the actual expenditures for coverages, substitutes, leaves of absences, overtime, and pay docks. Many unpaid leaves occur at the end of the school year. We use conservative estimates in the forecasts based on past history. Overtime and substitute needs are greatest in the final months of the school year due to many extracurriculuar activites. We hired more in-house substitutes to offset outside agency costs and it proved to be effective.

- \$33,278: Medical insurance claims and associated costs were \$27,846 lower than expected. Since we are self-insured, actual claims are not known until the end of the fiscal year. Payroll taxes, life insurance and defined contribution payments were less based on vacant positions.
- \$344,647 Purchased services were lower than forecasted. This included \$57,363 lower transportation and rental costs for athletics. Transportation needs are partially determined by a team's advancement in tournament play during the year and are difficult to gage. Athletics rentals of all weather fields at other location for teams' practice experience was not needed and other facility rentals were lower than anticipated. Special education transportation and tuition were also \$259,748 lower due to unexpected changes in outplacements, fewer unanticipated services than budgeted and unfilled positions in the department.
- \$83,850: Electrical and water consumption was lower thant anticipated. Instructional supplies were less than anticipated.
- (\$516,982) Capital and Nonrecurring (CNR) Account: The positive variances above were offset by increasing the CNR request from 1% to 2% based on new information regarding the carrying over of fund balances. The Board approved \$929,175 or 1.80% in August 2022.

## FY2023:

The audited fund balance is \$1,346,323 assuming an allocation of 2% or \$1,066,995 appropriated to Capital and Nonrecurring Account. The monthly forecast for May 2023 projected a fund balance of \$650,562. The change is \$695,761 higher than the prior month's forecast. The major reasons for the increase in the yearend fund balance from one month to the next month were, as follows:

- \$142,314: Certified and classified salaries were lower due to the staff turnover and vacancies impacting the District all year. Current staff covered additional classes, additional substitutes and consultants were hired to cover vacant positions.
- \$141,038 Purchased services were over budget but less than anticipated. Outside consultants were contracted to provide some services for the vacant positions but not to the extent expected. Legal services and athletic services were less than anticipated.
- \$146,772: There continued to be changes in special education transportation needs and the final number of athletic trips was less than anticipated.
- \$80,178: Repairs and maintenance costs were down with the bulk being from snow removal being nearly \$30,000 under budget.

- \$28,861: Communication costs were lower due to savings from the E-rate grant and less postage needed due to the digital communications.
- \$45,780: Renewals for insurance policies due in June came in under budget including student accident and cyber insurance. Steps the District has taken to improve its digital security has resulted in lower premiums.
- \$93,482: Special Education tuition charges were less than budgeted due to changes in students's services and/or attendance in programs.

#### FY2024:

The audited fund balance is \$991,268 assuming an allocation of 2% or \$1,091,054 appropriated to Educational Expenditure Account. The monthly forecast for May 2024 projected a fund balance of \$1,129,780. The change is \$1,229,566 higer than the prior month's forecast. The major reasons for the increase in the yearend fund balance from one month to the next month were, as follows:

- \$176,442: Certified and classified salaries were lower due to the staff turnover, leaves of absences and vacancies impacting the District all year. Current staff covered additional classes, additional substitutes and consultants were hired to cover vacant positions.
- \$535,394 Benefits were lower mostly due to medical fees, stop loss credits and OPEB adjustments.
- \$36,626 Supplies were lower due to favorable utility consumption, unspent instructional supplies, and less maintenance supplies purchased.
- \$295,125: Special Education tuition charges were less than budgeted due to changes in students's services and/or attendance in programs.
- \$12,838: The contingency account was not fully expended as expected.

### APPENDIX C

## **RECAP OF 2021-2022**

# **Unspent Encumbrances Balance:**

The cancellation of 2020-2021 encumbrances of \$83,471 was subtracted from the Towns' March 2023 allocation payment. We encumber funds for goods and services received by June 30<sup>th</sup> but not yet billed. In some cases, the estimated amount encumbered varies from the actual invoice (e.g., utility bill; water bill, pending special education settlements) and we do not need to spend the entire encumbrance.

The audited fund balance for 2021-2022 is \$628,463 plus \$929,175 designated for capital non-recurring projects. The source of the available funds are described below.

## **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT:**

\$ 363,859

Our efforts to foster a District culture of finding cost savings and efficiencies has been successful producing savings of \$25,376. Grant money was applied for and awarded to offset the cost of the CEN for savings of \$17,376. \$8,000 of maintenance work done by in-house staff rather than hiring contractors. The District saved \$132,839 on insurances by bidding contracts, utilizing self-insurance funding rather than fully insured, switching to a 401(a) retirement plan, and fully funding OPEB. The District was not fully staffed the entire year and the many vacancies resulted in a surplus, \$205,644. A portion of these funds were transferred to cover outside consultants to cover services, a portion of the funds were utilized in hiring more bench (internal) subs rather than using an outside agency, and some funds remained unspent.

### **SPECIAL EDUCATION (NET)**

\$ 883,882

These accounts are extremely difficult to forecast. As examples, special need students can be hospitalized; move into the district or leave the district at any time; withdraw from Amity and enroll in Adult Education. Several students who were budgeted to be outplaced were not for a number of reasons. Some transportation needs were coordinated with the elementary districts to reduce the number of singletons on busses for outplacements. Any one of these events can have a significant impact, positive or negative, on the District's special education expenditures. The Director of Pupil Services has been successful in establishing suitable programs for students within the District and a number of students have returned from outplacement. A new program was established in FY22 for the middle school and its counterpart is budget for the high school in the FY23 school year. The Districts revenue derived from these changes in special education services decreased by \$182,187 which is not reflected above.

OTHER: \$ 309,897

\$138,547 SALARIES (OTHER): "Turnover savings" from replacing teachers and other staff who retired or resigned is over budget and savings from unpaid leaves-of-absence. There were a significant vacancies during the year creating variances from the budget. The administration utilized many methods to address the vacancies including overtime, temporary staff, and outside agencies. Some positions went unfilled for a period of time despite our recruitment efforts. The District was not fully staffed at any point during the

school year. More in-house teaching substitutes were hired which reduced our costs with an outside agency and provided more stability. An outside agency was utilized to cover vacant para positions.

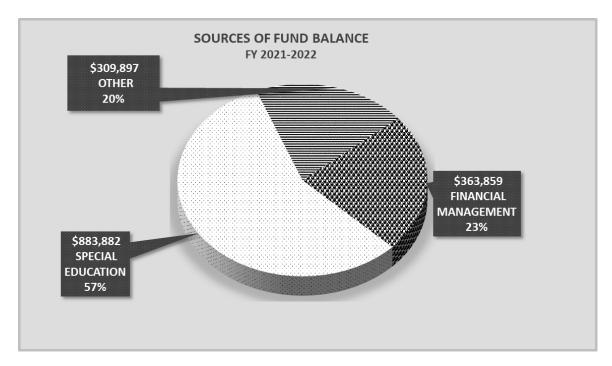
\$18,429 PURCHASED SERVICES (OTHER): Other purchased services accounts were under budget collectively by \$8,666 due to less printed materials and catered events. Data processing was under budget by \$9,763 as the administration consolidated onboarding software options at a reduced cost.

\$57,082 SUPPLIES (OTHER): Instructional supplies and transportation fuel were underbudget. Purchases for consumables was less than budgeted. Repairs and maintenance were overbudget but offset by utilities and maintenance supplies which were underbudget. These areas were reviewed during the 2022-2023 budget process and will be reviewed again during the upcoming budget process.

**\$40,537 RENTALS (OTHER):** Athletic rentals were down \$12,500 due to lower rentals of other facilities for teams to practice on all weather fields. Special education rental of lease space was \$28,000 lower than anticipated as the University of New Haven provided space gratis and Albertus Magnus did not have a second classroom available.

\$52,080 STAFF TRAVEL, CONFERENCES AND DUES & FEES (OTHER): Many conferences are held virtually as well as some in-district meetings. This results in lower registration fees and travel costs. Several students were award scholarships to attend conferences and contests offsetting the entrance fees..

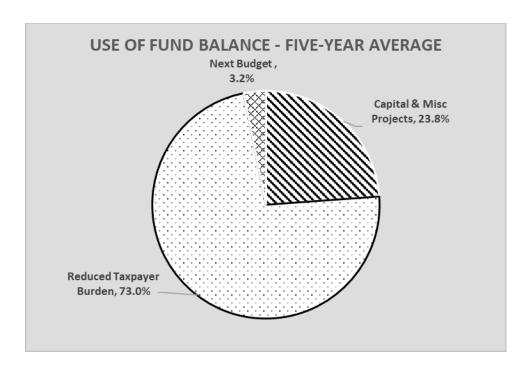
The primary sources of the fund balance are shown graphically below:



The use of the fund balance is proposed as follows:

- 1. **\$929,175 1.80%** designated to Capital Nonrecurring Reserve
- 2. \$628,463 Reduced Towns' allocation payments in March 2023

The uses of the fund balance are shown graphically below:



# **Carry Over Funds:**

The Board of Education approved 1.80% or \$929,175 of the FY22 surplus transferred to the Capital Nonrecurring Reserve, the audited balance is \$628,463. The FY21 unspent encumbrances and unspent funds from FY22 will subtracted from the Towns' March 2023 allocation payments.

#### APPENDIX D

# **RECAP OF 2022-2023**

# **Unspent Encumbrances Balance:**

The cancellation of 2021-2022 encumbrances of \$47,518 will be added to the fund balance credited to the member towns in March of 2024. We encumber funds for goods and services received by June 30<sup>th</sup> but not yet billed. In some cases, the estimated amount encumbered varies from the actual invoice (e.g., utility bill; water bill, pending special education settlements) and we do not need to spend the entire encumbrance.

The <u>audited</u> fund balance for 2022-2023 is \$1,372,878 plus \$1,066,995 designated for capital non-recurring projects. The source of the available funds are described below.

#### FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT:

\$ 352,350

Our efforts to foster a District culture of finding cost savings and efficiencies has been successful producing savings of \$42,565. Grant money was applied for and awarded to offset the cost of the CEN and cameras for the lecture hall for savings of \$31,565. At least \$11,000 of maintenance work done by in-house staff rather than hiring contractors. The District saved \$43,242 on insurances by bidding contracts and implementing additional security measures to obtain a more favorable premium for cyber insurance. The long range planning of replacing HVAC units and VFD's and the decreased number of instructional computer labs has had a favorable impact on the electricity usage of \$117,857. Instructional and custodial supplies were underspent by \$82,210 combined as staff only requested what was needed. Repairs and maintance costs were lower due to excellent preventative maintenance and in-house repairs by \$50,000.

### **SPECIAL EDUCATION:**

\$ 1,764,799

These accounts are extremely difficult to forecast. As examples, special need students can be hospitalized; move into the district or leave the district at any time; withdraw from Amity and enroll in Adult Education. Several students who were budgeted to be outplaced were not for a variety of reasons including moving out of the District or returning to District programs. Some transportation needs were coordinated with the elementary districts to reduce the number of singletons on busses for outplacements. Any one of these events can have a significant impact, positive or negative, on the District's special education expenditures. The Director of Pupil Services has been successful in establishing suitable programs for students within the District and a number of students have returned from outplacement. Programs established in FY22 for the middle school and its counterpart for the high school in the FY23 school year help keep out of district costs down. The Districts receives revenue directly correlated to special education services and that revenue decreased by \$294,610 which is not reflected above.

OTHER: \$ 287,004

**\$430,900 SALARIES (OTHER):** "Turnover savings" from replacing teachers and other staff who retired or resigned is over budget and savings from unpaid leaves-of-absence. There were a significant number of vacancies during the year creating variances from the budget. The administration utilized many methods to address the vacancies including overtime, temporary staff, and outside agencies. Some positions went unfilled for a period

of long periods of time despite our recruitment efforts. More in-house teaching substitutes were hired which reduced our costs with an outside agency and provided more stability. An outside agency was utilized to cover vacant para positions. The District was not fully staffed the entire year and the many vacancies resulted in a surplus, \$676,158. A portion of these funds were transferred to cover outside consultants to cover services, a portion of the funds were utilized in hiring more bench (internal) subs rather than using an outside agency, (\$241,695) and some funds remained unspent.

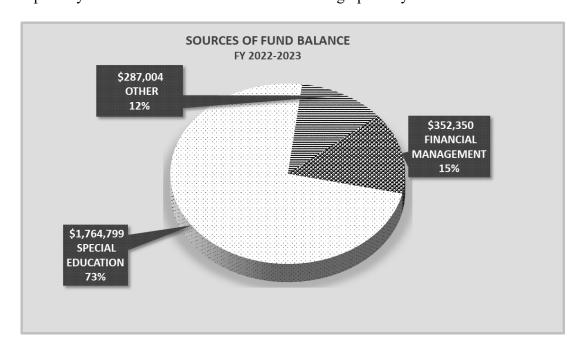
\$103,184 MEDICAL: The medical account was under budget \$103,184 due to the high staff turnover.

**\$29,875 REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE:** Snow removal was under budget \$29,875 due to a mild winter.

**\$41,328 STAFF TRAVEL, CONFERENCES AND DUES & FEES (OTHER):** Many conferences are held virtually as well as some in-district meetings. This results in lower registration fees and travel costs. Several students were award scholarships to attend conferences and contests offsetting the entrance fees.

(\$294,783) UNPLANNED EXPENSES: The savings noted above were offset by unplanned expenses. The OPEB trust was fully funded to restore the original budget request as recommended by the actuaries, \$111,758; Unemployment costs were \$20,825 higher than anticipated and purchases for new security cameras and the required software to utilize the cameras, a new burnisher, scoreboard, replacing obsolete robots for the robotics program, and a new auto lift account for \$162,200 additional purchases.

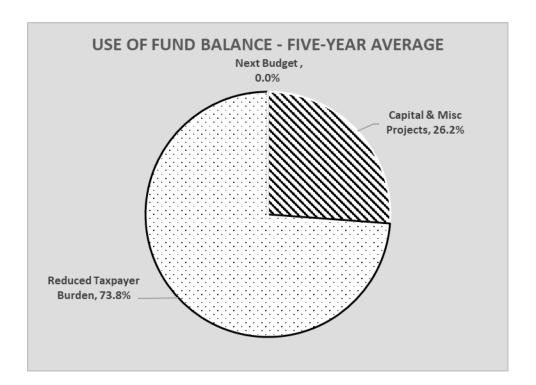
The primary sources of the fund balance are shown graphically below:



The use of the fund balance is proposed as follows:

- 1. \$1,066,995 2.0% approved for designation to Capital Nonrecurring Reserve
- 2. \$1,372,878 Credit of unspent fund balance to member towns upon audit completion in March 2024.

The uses of the fund balance are shown graphically below:



# **Unspent Funds:**

The Board of Education approved 2.0% or \$1,066,995 of the FY23 surplus transferred to the Capital Nonrecurring Reserve. The audited balance is \$1,372,878. The FY22 unspent encumbrances and unspent funds from FY23 will be credited to the member towns March allocation in 2024.

#### APPENDIX E

# **RECAP OF 2023-2024**

# **Unspent Encumbrances Balance:**

The cancellation of 2022-2023 encumbrances of \$59,412 will be added to the fund balance credited to the member towns in March of 2025. We encumber funds for goods and services received by June 30<sup>th</sup> but not yet billed. In some cases, the estimated amount encumbered varies from the actual invoice (e.g., utility bill; water bill, pending special education settlements) and we do not need to spend the entire encumbrance.

The <u>audited</u> fund balance for 2023-2024 is \$991,628 plus \$1,091,054 designated for capital projects. The source of the available funds are described below.

### **FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT:**

\$ 323,979

Our efforts to foster a District culture of finding cost savings and efficiencies has been successful producing savings of \$199,030. Grant money was applied for and awarded to offset the cost of the CEN and equipment for the broadcast journalism curriculum for savings of \$159,714. Used desks were purchased, saving approximately \$11,826. of maintenance work done by in-house staff rather than hiring contractors. The District saved \$46,215 on insurances partially due to implementing additional security measures to obtain a more favorable premium for cyber insurance. Custodial supplies were underspent by \$49,521 as supply closets were reorganized and inventories were used. Data processing programs were evaluated and consolidated saving \$16,375. The contingency account was not fully expended \$12,838.

# **SPECIAL EDUCATION:**

\$ 295,125

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<u>OTHER:</u> \$1,463,218

**\$470,174 SALARIES (OTHER):** "Turnover savings" from replacing teachers and other staff who retired or resigned is over budget and savings from unpaid leaves-of-absence. There were a significant number of vacancies during the year creating variances from the budget. The administration utilized many methods to address the vacancies including overtime, temporary staff, and outside agencies. Some positions went unfilled for long periods of time despite our recruitment efforts. More in-house teaching substitutes were hired which reduced our costs with an outside agency and provided more stability. An

outside agency was utilized to cover vacant para positions. Turnover savings were exceeded by \$284,218 and leave of absences were \$185,956.

**\$28,905 PAYROLL TAXES**: Due to lower than budgeted salaries, payroll taxes were underbudget.

\$752,473 MEDICAL: Claims were \$21,672 FAV and the stop-loss credits were \$162,682 FAV. Fees were \$96,937 FAV due to rebates credits applied from Anthem. Internally, the actual costs for employer contributions for H.S.A. accounts and actual employee premium contribution were \$83,585 FAV, OPEB credits for retirees are \$176,512 FAV, \$161,849 FAV of reserve applied, and grant funding are all favorable, \$49,142.

**\$66,652 TEXTBOOKS & SUPPLIES:** Staff utilized different resources than planned and Mr. Purcaro, Assistant Superintendent, negotiated favorable textbook pricing.

**\$30,263 STAFF TRAVEL, CONFERENCES AND DUES & FEES (OTHER):** Some staff did not attend conferences as planned due to resignations or scheduling constraints. This results in lower registration fees and travel costs. Several students competitions were still virtual, had capped the number of participants, and have not raised entry fees as anticipated.

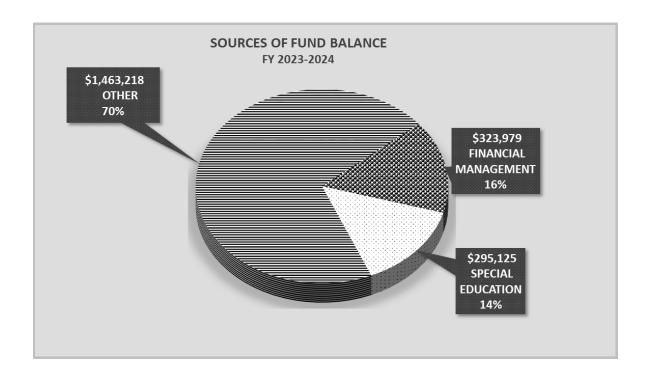
**\$63,947 UTILIITES**: Electricity, natural gas and oil were all under budget due to a mild winter and cooler spring.

**\$19,750 OTHER PURCHASE SERVICES:** Costs for printed programs for graduation, college fair, CPR training for athletics, and meeting refreshments were under budget.

\$16,375 DATA PROCESSING: Financial and human resources software were reviewed and utilized in an more efficient manner, allowing the cancellation of a program that bridged data between the two systems.

**\$12,838 CONTINGENCY**: The District did not need to utilize all of the contingency funds for unplanned purchases.

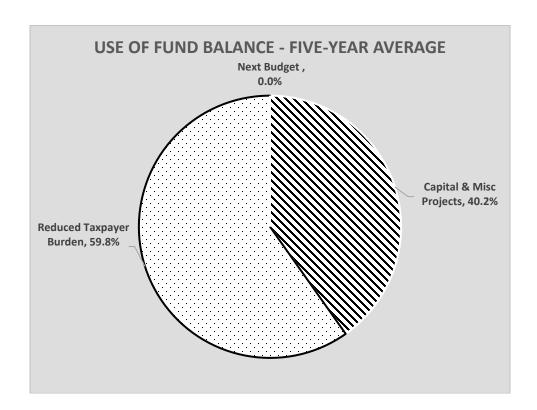
The primary sources of the fund balance are shown graphically below:



The use of the fund balance is proposed as follows:

- 1. **\$1,091,054 2.0%** was approved in September for designation to Educational Expenditure Reserve for the library media renovations.
- 2. \$991,268 Credit of unspent fund balance to member towns upon audit completion in March 2025.

The uses of the fund balance are shown graphically below:



<u>Unspent Funds:</u>
The Board of Education approved 2.0% or \$1,091,054 of the FY24 unspent funds transferred to the Educational Expenditure Reserve. The audited balance is \$991,268. The FY23 unspent encumbrances of \$59,412 and unspent funds from FY24 will be credited to the member towns March allocation in 2025.

124 1 -03-11-1010-5731 EQUIPMENT - REPLACEMENT

14 1 -03-11-1018-5611 INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPLIES

17 1 -03-11-1010-5695 TECHNOLOGY SUPPLIES

163 1 -05-14-2660-5695 TECHNOLOGY SUPPLIES

27 1 -03-11-1009-5690 OTHER SUPPLIES

27 1 -03-11-1009-5641 TEXTBOOKS

52 1 -02-13-2220-5810 DUES & FEES

14 1 -03-11-1018-5732 EQUIPMENT-TECHNOLOGY-NEW

52 1 -02-13-2220-5330 PROFESSIONAL & TECH SRVC

17 1 -03-11-1001-5733 EQUIPMENT-TECHNOLOGY-REPLACE

163 1 -01-14-2600-5420 REPAIRS, MAINTENANCE & CLEANING

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1,070.00 old soundboard beyond repair

1,497.00 SWEETWATER SOFTWARE

(125.00) American library Association

125.00 American library Association (300.00) TRANSFER FOR FMX SOFTWARE

300.00 TRANSFER FOR FMX SOFTWARE

(600.00) EL Teacher Laptop

600.00 EL Teacher Laptop (1,497.00) SWEETWATER SOFTWARE

60.00 Math team supplies

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# AMITY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5 Bethany Orange Woodbridge 25 Newton Road, Woodbridge Connecticut 06525



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To: Jennifer Byars, Ed. D., Superintendent of Schools

From: Theresa Lumas, Director of Finance and Administration

Re: Budget Transfers over \$3,000 for FY 2024-2025

Date: December 31, 2024

#### **Special Education:**

Mr. Brant is requesting two transfers. The first is a transfer to cover a cross curricular building project to be completed by CTE and Spartan Academy. This transfer would cover the costs of lumber and related building supplies to build a physical structure outdoors that would be used to safely store the materials and supplies needed to properly care for our bee hives. This includes the four large beekeeper suits and additional related PPE. The project would be completed by students in appropriate CTE classes as part of their coursework. This project has been approved by the high school administration and the Director of Facilities.

#### **For the Amity Finance Committee:**

Recommend the Amity Board of Education approve...

#### For the Amity Board of Education:

ACCOUNT

Move to approve this transfer for storage for apiary supplies.

ACCOUNT			
<b>NUMBER</b>	ACCOUNT NAME	<b>FROM</b>	TO
04-12-2151-5330	Professional Technical-Hearing	\$4,500	
04-12-1201-5690	Other Supplies		\$4,500

The second transfer is to cover a student who was placed at an approved special education school through the PPT process. They require door to door transportation with no other peers on the bus. B and B quoted \$280 per day for the transportation (they were the lowest quote of the three solicited), there will be 105 days - total cost \$29,400. This budget transfer covers the difference between available funds in the account and the estimated total cost of transportation.

# **For the Amity Finance Committee:**

Recommend the Amity Board of Education approve...

# For the Amity Board of Education:

Move to approve this transfer for transportation services.

ACCOUNT			
<b>NUMBER</b>	ACCOUNT NAME	<b>FROM</b>	TO
04-12-6111-5560	Tuition – Vo-Tech	\$20,000	
04-12-6130-5510	Transportation-Private-Out		\$20,000

ORG	OBJ	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANFRS/ADJSMTS	REVISED BUDGET	VTD EXDENDED	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE BUDGET	% USED
00150047	5720	IMPROV-SIT	3,067,849	284,703	3,352,552	3,352,552	- LIVEOWIDINAIVELS	- JODGET	100.00
00150047	3720	Total 00150047 Athletics Facility P	3,067,849	284,703	3,352,552	3,352,552	_	_	100.00
00150048	5715	IMPROV-BLD	1,830,630	234,042	2,064,672	2,064,672	-	-	100.00
00150048	0,10	Total 00150048 HVAC AHS 2020 BOND	1,830,630	234,042	2,064,672	2,064,672	-	-	100.00
00150049	5715	IMPROV-BLD	140,000	100,906	240,906	240,906	-	-	100.00
00150049	5.15	Total 00150049 CHILLERS REFURBISH A	140,000	100,906	240,906	240,906	_	-	100.00
00150050	5715	IMPROV-BLD	600,000	(67,967)	532,033	532,033	-	-	100.00
00150050	3713	Total 00150050 PAVING AHS	600,000	(67,967)	532,033	532,033	_	_	100.00
00150051	5330	PROF&TECH	108,018	(39,156)	68,862	68,862	_	_	100.00
00150051	3330	Total 00150051 BOND CLOSING COSTS	108,018	(39,156)	68,862	68,862	-	-	100.00
00150052	5715	IMPROV-BLD	245,000	(164,390)	80,610	80,610	_	_	100.00
00150052	3713	Total 00150052 ACOUSTICAL IMPROVEME	245,000	(164,390)	80,610	80,610	_	_	100.00
00150052	5715	IMPROV-BLD	587,453	(357,088)	230,365	221,812	-	8,554	96.30
00150053	0,10	Total 00150053 2020 Bond Contingenc	587,453	(357,088)	230,365	221,812	-	8,554	96.30
00150054	5715	IMPROV-BLD	495,482	-	495,482	420,827	73,965	690	99.90
00150054	0,10	Total 00150054 AHS ROOF REPLACEMENT	495,482	-	495,482	420,827	73,965	690	99.90
00150055	5715	IMPROV-BLD	110,000	395,948	505,948	505,948	-	-	100.00
00150055		Total 00150055 LECTURE HALL RENOVAT	110,000	395,948	505,948	505,948	-	-	100.00
00150060	5420	REP.MAINT	100,000	-	100,000	42,296	-	57,704	42.30
00150060		Total 00150060 LIGHTING PROJECT	100,000	_	100,000	42,296	-	57,704	42.30
00150061	5731	EQUIP-REPL	190,075	(1)	190,074	190,074	-	-	100.00
00150061		Total 00150061 MUSIC INSTRUMENTS	190,075	(1)	190,074	190,074	-	-	100.00
00150062	5715	IMPROV-BLD	331,500	66,143	397,643	397,643	-	-	100.00
00150062		Total 00150062 AMSB ROOF PROJECT	331,500	66,143	397,643	397,643	-	-	100.00
00150063	5715	IMPROV-BLD	382,000	108,748	490,748	490,748	-	-	100.00
00150063		Total 00150063 AMSO ROOF PROJECT	382,000	108,748	490,748	490,748	-	-	100.00
00150064	5420	REP,MAINT	35,000	85,193	120,193	-	-	120,193	0.00
00150064		Total 00150064 AHS ALL WEATHER FIEL	35,000	85,193	120,193	-	-	120,193	0.00
00150065	5715	IMPROV-BLD	1,066,995	766,741	1,833,736	26,416	50,960	1,756,361	4.20
00150065		Total 00150065 AHS LMC RENOVATION	1,066,995	766,741	1,833,736	26,416	50,960	1,756,361	4.20
00150099	5899	UNDESIGNAT	65,243	(65,243)	-	-	-	-	0.00
00150099		Total 00150099 UNDESIGNATED	65,243	(65,243)	-	-	-	-	0.00
	1	Grand Total	9,355,245	1,348,579	10,703,824	8,635,398	124,925	1,943,502	81.84%

#### Q2 FY25 ED RESERVE

ORG	OBJ	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANFRS	REVISED BUDGET	YTD EXPENDED	ENCUMBRANCES	AVAILABLE BUDGET	% USED
00150100	5715	IMPROV-BLD	1,091,054	0	1,091,054	0.00	0.00	1,091,054	0.00
00150100		Total 00150100 LMC RENOVATIONS	1,091,054	0	1,091,054	0.00	0.00	1,091,054	0.00
		Grand Total	1,091,054	0	1,091,054	0.00	0.00	1,091,054	0.00

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ORG	OBJ	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANFRS	REVISED BUDGET	YTD EXPENDED	ENCUMBRANCES	BUDGET	% USED
00008985	5330	PROF&TECH	5,000	0	5,000	3,099.77	0.00	1,900	62.00
00008985	5715	IMPROV-BLD	150,864	-57,787	93,077	78,321.42	0.00	14,755	84.10
00008985	5720	IMPROV-SIT	26,000	0	26,000	26,000.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008985	5730	EQUIP-NEW	10,000	35,270	45,270	44,954.23	0.00	315	99.30
00008985	5731	EQUIP-REPL	10,000	0	10,000	791.94	0.00	9,208	7.90
00008985		Total 00008985 FEMA COVID-19	201,864	-22,517	179,346	153,167.36	0.00	26,179	85.40
00008986	700	PROPERTY	24,300	0	24,300	24,300.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008986		Total 00008986 PEGPETIA GRANT FY22	24,300	0	24,300	24,300.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008987	600	SUPPLIES	916	444	1,360	1,359.78	0.00	0	100.00
00008987	700	PROPERTY	45,513	-444	45,069	45,069.22	0.00	0	100.00
00008987		Total 00008987 PERKINS SUPPLEMENTAL	46,429	0	46,429	46,429.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008988	5899	UNDESIGNAT	13,199	0	13,199	13,199.47	0.00	0	100.00
00008988		Total 00008988 CAC FY23	13,199	0	13,199	13,199.47	0.00	0	100.00
00008989	111B	TEACH SAL	3,000	0	3,000	3,000.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008989	300	PROFESSION	7,000	0	7,000	7,000.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008989		Total 00008989 SPED STIPEND \$10K	10,000	0	10,000	10,000.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008990	100	SALARIES	55,593	0	55,593	55,593.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008990	200	MEDICARE	20,347	0	20,347	20,347.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008990	600	SUPPLIES	1,000	0	1,000	1,000.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008990		Total 00008990 TITLE I 2022-2024	76,940	0	76,940	76,940.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008991	100	SALARIES	16,290	0	16,290	16,290.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008991	300	PROFESSION	10,809	0	10,809	10,809.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008991	500	OTHER PURC	1,640	0	1,640	1,640.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008991		Total 00008991 TITLE II 2022-2024	28,739	0	28,739	28,739.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008992	100	SALARIES	10,000	0	10,000	10,000.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008992		Total 00008992 TITLE IV 2022-2024	10,000	0	10,000	10,000.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008993	300	PROFESSION	1,000	0	1,000	1,000.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008993	600	SUPPLIES	1,262	0	1,262	1,262.39	0.00	0	100.00
00008993		Total 00008993 TITLE III 2022-2024	2,262	0	2,262	2,262.39	0.00	0	100.00
00008994	100	SALARIES	72,000	0	72,000	72,000.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008994	111NP	TEACH NP	500	-500	0	0.00	0.00	0	0.00
00008994	112	SALARIES N	302,491	0	302,491	302,491.02	0.00	0	100.00
00008994	200	MEDICARE	37,145	0	37,145	37,145.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008994	321	TUTORS	6,500	0	6,500	6,500.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008994	322	INSTR PROG	2,500	5,300	7,800	7,800.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008994	324	FIELD TRIP	12,000	-4,000	8,000	8,000.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008994	325	PARENT ACT	500	0	500	500.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008994	440	RENTALS (L	4,500	0	4,500	4,500.00	0.00	0	100.00

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ORG	ОВЈ	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANFRS	REVISED BUDGET	YTD EXPENDED	ENCUMBRANCES	BUDGET	% USED
00008994	600	SUPPLIES	4,867	-1,300	3,567	3,567.15	0.00	0	100.00
00008994	600NP	SUPPLY NP	2,490	500	2,990	2,989.83	0.00	0	100.00
00008994	734	tech hard	750	0	750	750.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008994		Total 00008994 IDEA FY 2022-2024	446,243	0	446,243	446,243.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008995	320	PROF EDUC	990	0	990	990.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008995	330	OTHER PROF	5,360	0	5,360	5,360.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008995	510	TRANSPORTA	2,500	-945	1,555	1,555.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008995	600	SUPPLIES	16,249	1,220	17,469	17,469.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008995	700	PROPERTY	17,231	-275	16,956	16,956.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008995		Total 00008995 CARL PERKINS FY23	42,330	0	42,330	42,330.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008996	5899	UNDESIGNAT	18,047	101,994	120,041	120,041.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008996		Total 00008996 OPEN CHOICE FY23	18,047	101,994	120,041	120,041.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008997	100	SALARIES	1,241	0	1,241	1,241.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008997		Total 00008997 TEAM MENTOR FY23	1,241	0	1,241	1,241.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008998	111A	ADMIN SAL	1,000	250	1,250	1,250.40	0.00	0	100.00
00008998	111B	TEACH SAL	14,000	-100	13,900	13,899.60	0.00	0	100.00
00008998	322NP	INSTR NP	750	0	750	750.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008998		Total 00008998 CT-SEDS FY23	15,750	150	15,900	15,900.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008999	700	PROPERTY	59,706	0	59,706	59,706.00	0.00	0	100.00
00008999		Total 00008999 PEGPETIA GRANT FY23	59,706	0	59,706	59,706.00	0.00	0	100.00
00009000	600	SUPPLIES	98	6,594	6,692	5,275.06	0.00	1,417	78.80
00009000	700	PROPERTY	2,025	0	2,025	2,025.00	0.00	0	100.00
00009000		Total 00009000 One-Time Grants	2,123	6,594	8,717	7,300.06	0.00	1,417	83.70
00009001	600	SUPPLIES	600	997	1,597	1,596.92	0.00	0	100.00
00009001		Total 00009001 ONE TIME FY 2011 FOR	600	997	1,597	1,596.92	0.00	0	100.00
00009002	600	SUPPLIES	2,500	12,000	14,500	5,290.21	0.00	9,210	36.50
00009002		Total 00009002 Science Research Awa	2,500	12,000	14,500	5,290.21	0.00	9,210	36.50
00009003	5899	UNDESIGNAT	1,421	49,030	50,450	23,523.09	281.47	26,646	47.20
00009003		Total 00009003 MEDICAID GRANT	1,421	49,030	50,450	23,523.09	281.47	26,646	47.20
00009004	5899	UNDESIGNAT	500	0	500	130.00	0.00	370	26.00
00009004		Total 00009004 PRESCRIPTION DRUG SA	500	0	500	130.00	0.00	370	26.00
00009005	5899	UNDESIGNAT	2,400	31,926	34,326	13,504.49	2,848.00	17,973	47.60
00009005		Total 00009005 CBITS SUSTAINABILITY	2,400	31,926	34,326	13,504.49	2,848.00	17,973	47.60
00009030	5899	UNDESIGNAT	30,010	97,949	127,959	116,557.14	11,401.86	0	100.00
00009030		Total 00009030 OPEN CHOICE FY24	30,010	97,949	127,959	116,557.14	11,401.86	0	100.00
00009031	100	SALARIES	26,166	0	26,166	26,165.75	0.00	0	100.00
00009031	300	PROFESSION	25,762	0	25,762	25,762.25	0.00	0	100.00
00009031	600	SUPPLIES	26,000	0	26,000	26,000.00	0.00	0	100.00

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ORG	OBJ	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANFRS	REVISED BUDGET	YTD EXPENDED	ENCUMBRANCES	BUDGET	% USED
00009031		Total 00009031 TITLE I 2023-2025	77,928	0	77,928	77,928.00	0.00	0	100.00
00009032	100	SALARIES	16,409	0	16,409	0.00	0.00	16,409	0.00
00009032	300	PROFESSION	11,653	0	11,653	3,236.01	8,416.99	0	100.00
00009032	500	OTHER PURC	1,640	0	1,640	0.00	1,556.67	83	94.90
00009032		Total 00009032 TITLE II 2023-2025	29,702	0	29,702	3,236.01	9,973.66	16,492	44.50
00009033	300	PROFESSION	1,000	0	1,000	485.00	0.00	515	48.50
00009033	600	SUPPLIES	1,226	0	1,226	353.92	871.77	0	100.00
00009033		Total 00009033 TITLE III 2023-2025	2,226	0	2,226	838.92	871.77	515	76.90
00009034	100	SALARIES	10,000	0	10,000	10,000.00	0.00	0	100.00
00009034		Total 00009034 TITLE IV 2023-2025	10,000	0	10,000	10,000.00	0.00	0	100.00
00009035	100	SALARIES	66,378	0	66,378	59,929.74	45,183.38	-38,735	158.40
00009035	112	SALARIES N	375,274	-37,145	338,129	358,780.19	197,628.13	-218,280	164.60
00009035	200	MEDICARE	37,145	0	37,145	0.00	0.00	37,145	0.00
00009035	322	INSTR PROG	807	0	807	0.00	0.00	807	0.00
00009035	324	FIELD TRIP	10,000	0	10,000	2,199.00	0.00	7,801	22.00
00009035	325	PARENT ACT	500	0	500	0.00	0.00	500	0.00
00009035	580	TRAVEL-STA	4,500	0	4,500	1,488.57	3,075.00	-64	101.40
00009035	600	SUPPLIES	4,702	0	4,702	4,192.97	508.83	0	100.00
00009035	600NP	SUPPLY NP	1,672	0	1,672	0.00	0.00	1,672	0.00
00009035	734	tech hard	500	0	500	500.00	0.00	0	100.00
00009035		Total 00009035 IDEA FY 2023-2025	501,477	-37,145	464,332	427,090.47	246,395.34	-209,154	145.00
00009036	5899	UNDESIGNAT	7,119	0	7,119	7,118.93	0.00	0	100.00
00009036		Total 00009036 CAC FY24	7,119	0	7,119	7,118.93	0.00	0	100.00
00009037	100	SALARIES	24,875	0	24,875	7,026.55	0.00	17,848	28.20
00009037	300	PROFESSION	6,250	0	6,250	3,000.00	0.00	3,250	48.00
00009037	500	OTHER PURC	9,000	0	9,000	0.00	0.00	9,000	0.00
00009037	600	SUPPLIES	19,875	0	19,875	0.00	0.00	19,875	0.00
00009037		Total 00009037 ARPA-DUAL CREDIT EXP	60,000	0	60,000	10,026.55	0.00	49,973	16.70
00009038	100	SALARIES	56,211	-1,627	54,584	54,584.00	0.00	0	100.00
00009038	200	MEDICARE	12,000	0	12,000	12,000.00	0.00	0	100.00
00009038	600	SUPPLIES	1,627	0	1,627	1,627.00	0.00	0	100.00
00009038		Total 00009038 ARPA-SCHOOL MENTAL H	69,838	-1,627	68,211	68,211.00	0.00	0	100.00
00009039	5732	EQ-TECH-N	74,433	0	74,433	0.00	0.00	74,433	0.00
00009039		Total 00009039 EMERGENCY CONNECTIVI	74,433	0	74,433	0.00	0.00	74,433	0.00
00009040	111B	TEACH SAL	507	134	641	641.00	0.00	0	100.00
00009040	330	OTHER PROF	1,550	-42	1,508	1,508.00	0.00	0	100.00
00009040	510	TRANSPORTA	1,450	-1,450	0	0.00	0.00	0	0.00
00009040	580	TRAVEL-STA	4,000	-857	3,143	3,143.00	0.00	0	100.00

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ORG	ОВЈ	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANFRS	REVISED BUDGET	YTD EXPENDED	ENCUMBRANCES	BUDGET	% USED
00009040	600	SUPPLIES	21,088	2,215	23,303	23,303.00	0.00	0	100.00
00009040	700	PROPERTY	16,698	0	16,698	16,698.00	0.00	0	100.00
00009040		Total 00009040 CARL PERKINS FY24	45,293	0	45,293	45,293.00	0.00	0	100.00
00009041	100	SALARIES	1,225	0	1,225	1,225.00	0.00	0	100.00
00009041		Total 00009041 TEAM MENTOR FY24	1,225	0	1,225	1,225.00	0.00	0	100.00
00009042	320	PROF EDUC	1,000	0	1,000	1,000.00	0.00	0	100.00
00009042	324	FIELD TRIP	250	0	250	250.00	0.00	0	100.00
00009042	510	TRANSPORTA	6,422	0	6,422	6,422.00	0.00	0	100.00
00009042	600	SUPPLIES	1,344	0	1,344	1,344.00	0.00	0	100.00
00009042	730	EQUIPMENT-	5,324	0	5,324	5,324.00	0.00	0	100.00
00009042	734	tech hard	660	0	660	660.00	0.00	0	100.00
00009042		Total 00009042 IDEA TRANSITION SUPP	15,000	0	15,000	15,000.00	0.00	0	100.00
00009043	322	INSTR PROG	5,000	0	5,000	4,675.00	325.00	0	100.00
00009043		Total 00009043 IDEA EXTENDED SUPPOR	5,000	0	5,000	4,675.00	325.00	0	100.00
00009044	700	PROPERTY	20,433	0	20,433	20,433.00	0.00	0	100.00
00009044		Total 00009044 PEGPETIA GRANT FY24	20,433	0	20,433	20,433.00	0.00	0	100.00
00009045	5899	UNDESIGNAT	31,990	0	31,990	52,204.66	67,156.23	-87,371	373.10
00009045		Total 00009045 OPEN CHOICE FY25	31,990	0	31,990	52,204.66	67,156.23	-87,371	373.10
00009046	5899	UNDESIGNAT	10,000	0	10,000	10,000.00	0.00	0	100.00
00009046		Total 00009046 CAC FY25	10,000	0	10,000	10,000.00	0.00	0	100.00
00009047	100	SALARIES	28,616	0	28,616	16,216.71	29,379.99	-16,981	159.30
00009047	300	PROFESSION	19,027	0	19,027	0.00	0.00	19,027	0.00
00009047	600	SUPPLIES	21,716	0	21,716	0.00	0.00	21,716	0.00
00009047		Total 00009047 TITLE I 2024-2026	69,359	0	69,359	16,216.71	29,379.99	23,762	65.70
00009048	100	SALARIES	14,040	0	14,040	0.00	0.00	14,040	0.00
00009048	300	PROFESSION	11,653	0	11,653	0.00	0.00	11,653	0.00
00009048	500	OTHER PURC	1,640	0	1,640	0.00	0.00	1,640	0.00
00009048		Total 00009048 TITLE II 2024-2026	27,333	0	27,333	0.00	0.00	27,333	0.00
00009051	100	SALARIES	54,812	0	54,812	0.00	0.00	54,812	0.00
00009051	112	SALARIES N	383,938	0	383,938	0.00	0.00	383,938	0.00
00009051	200	MEDICARE	5,310	0	5,310	0.00	0.00	5,310	0.00
00009051	322	INSTR PROG	1,680	0	1,680	0.00	0.00	1,680	0.00
00009051	324	FIELD TRIP	9,000	0	9,000	0.00	0.00	9,000	0.00
00009051	325	PARENT ACT	475	0	475	0.00	0.00	475	0.00
00009051	580	TRAVEL-STA	8,125	0	8,125	0.00	0.00	8,125	0.00
00009051	600	SUPPLIES	7,121	0	7,121	0.00	0.00	7,121	0.00
00009051	600NP	SUPPLY NP	1,652	0	1,652	0.00	0.00	1,652	0.00
00009051		Total 00009051 IDEA FY 2024-2026	472,113	0	472,113	0.00	0.00	472,113	0.00

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ORG	OBJ	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	ORIGINAL APPROP	TRANFRS	REVISED BUDGET	YTD EXPENDED	ENCUMBRANCES	BUDGET	% USED
00009052	100	SALARIES	56,211	0	56,211	15,171.91	34,591.43	6,448	88.50
00009052	200	MEDICARE	12,000	0	12,000	0.00	0.00	12,000	0.00
00009052		Total 00009052 ARPA-SCHOOL MENTAL H	68,211	0	68,211	15,171.91	34,591.43	18,448	73.00
00009053	111B	TEACH SAL	2,992	0	2,992	636.00	0.00	2,356	21.30
00009053	330	OTHER PROF	5,603	0	5,603	1,200.00	2,433.00	1,970	64.80
00009053	510	TRANSPORTA	1,950	0	1,950	0.00	258.68	1,691	13.30
00009053	580	TRAVEL-STA	4,950	0	4,950	0.00	3,400.00	1,550	68.70
00009053	600	SUPPLIES	21,977	0	21,977	9,589.53	9,286.68	3,101	85.90
00009053	700	PROPERTY	4,858	0	4,858	4,469.38	0.00	389	92.00
00009053		Total 00009053 CARL PERKINS FY25	42,330	0	42,330	15,894.91	15,378.36	11,057	73.90
		Grand Total	2,677,614	239,350	2,916,964	2,018,964.20	418,603.11	479,397	83.60

#### Students/Personnel – Certified

#### **Psychotropic Drug Use**

The Amity Regional School District No. 5 (District) Board of Education (Board) prohibits all school personnel from recommending the use of psychotropic drugs for any student enrolled within the school system. For purposes of this policy, the term "recommend" shall mean to directly or indirectly suggest that a child use psychotropic drugs.

Psychotropic drugs are defined as prescription medications for behavioral or social-emotional concerns, such as attentional deficits, impulsivity, anxiety, depression, and thought disorders, and includes, but is not limited to, stimulant medications and anti-depressants.

However, school health or mental health personnel, including school nurses or nurse practitioners, the District's Medical Advisor, school psychologists, school social workers, and school counselors may recommend that a student be evaluated by an appropriate medical practitioner.

The District shall follow procedures for identification, evaluation, placement and delivery of services to children with disabilities or suspected disabilities provided in state and federal statutes that govern special education.

The Superintendent of Schools or his/her designee shall promulgate this policy to district staff and parents/guardians of students annually and upon the registration of new students.

(cf. 5141.4 - Reporting of Child Abuse and Neglect)

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

10-212b Policies prohibiting the recommendation of psychotropic drugs by school personnel. (as amended by PA 03-211)

46b-120. Definitions

10-76a Definitions. (as amended by PA 00-48)

10-76b State supervision of special education programs and services.

10-76d Duties and powers of boards of education to provide special education programs and services. (as amended by PA 97- 114 and PA 00-48)

10-76h Special education hearing and review procedure. Mediation of disputes. (as amended by PA 00-48)

State Board of Education Regulations.

34 C.F.R. 3000 Assistance to States for Education for Handicapped Children.

Policy Reviewed:

AMITY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5

### Students/Personnel - Certified

# **Psychotropic Drug Use**

American with Disabilities Act, 42 U.S.C. §12101 et seq.

Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, 20 U.S.C. §1400 et seq.

Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Section 504, 29 U.S.C. § 794.

#### Safety - School Resource Officer

In order to make schools more orderly, safer, and secure, Amity Regional School District No. 5 (ARSD) may utilize a police officer to deliver services as a School Resource Officer (SRO), as guided by a *Memorandum of Understanding* between the Board of Education (Board) and a law enforcement agency. The agreement shall address daily interactions among students, school personnel, and police officers and shall include a graduated response model for student discipline.

The Superintendent of Schools will develop administrative regulations as necessary to implement this policy. The Board or its designee will work in cooperation with the law enforcement agency in the placement of a School Resource Officer at Amity Regional High School. Additional ARSD facilities upon approval of the Board may also qualify for placement of an SRO. The Superintendent will make such suggestions to the Board when needed. The qualifications of school resource officers will be determined by the respective law enforcement agency.

It is understood and agreed that the Board and the Police Department officials share the following goals and objectives with regard to the School Resource Officer (SRO) Program in the schools:

- 1. To foster educational programs and activities that will increase student's knowledge of and respect for the law and the function of law enforcement agencies;
- 2. To encourage SROs to attend extra-curricular activities held at schools when possible;
- 3. To act swiftly and cooperatively when responding to major disruptions and flagrant criminal offenses at school such as: disorderly conduct by trespassers, the possession and/or use of weapons on campus, the sale and/or distribution of controlled substances, and riots;
- 4. To report serious crimes that occur on campus and to cooperate with the law enforcement officials in their investigation of crimes that occur at school;
- 5. To cooperate with law enforcement officials in their investigations of criminal offenses which occur off campus and;
- 6. To be involved in the development of ARSD and school safety/crisis plans and the execution of school safety drills.

#### Duties include but are not limited to:

- The observation and reporting of any unlawful act.
- The prevention of theft or misappropriation of any item of value.
- The control of access to premises being protected.
- The maintenance of order and safety at public activities.
- Protection of ARSD property, students, staff, and persons and property on or about ARSD property or while attending ARSD-sponsored activities.
- Investigating and documenting specific incidents.
- Assistance in identifying, intervening, and communicating with at-risk students.
- Provision of crime prevention education.

#### Safety - School Resource Officer

- Promotion of a positive student attitude toward law enforcement.
- Operating as a liaison between the community and ARSD.

The Board shall enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the local police department that defines the officer's role and responsibilities. The MOU must address daily interactions among students, school personnel, and police officers and must include a graduated response model for student discipline. Any such MOU entered into, extended, updated, or amended on or after July 1, 2021 shall include a provision requiring all school resource officers to complete, while in the performance of their duties as school resource officers and during periods when such officers are assigned to be at the school, any separate training specifically related to social-emotional learning and restorative practices provided to ARSD certified employees.

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(cf. 5131 - Student Conduct)
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(cf. 5131.5 - Vandalism)

(cf. 5131.6 - Drugs, Tobacco, Alcohol)

(cf. 5131.7 - Weapons and Dangerous Instruments)

(cf. 5131.8 - Off School Grounds Misconduct)

(cf. 5141.6 - Crisis Management)

(cf. 5142 - Safety)

(cf. 5144.1 - Use of Physical Force)

(cf. 5145.11 - Police in Schools)

(cf. 5145.12 - Search and Seizure)

#### Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

4-176e through 4-180a. Contested Cases. Notice. Record.

10-220 Duties of boards of education.

10-233a through 10-233f. Suspension, removal and expulsion of students, as amended by PA 95- 304, PA 96-244, and PA 98-139.

53a-3 Definitions.

53a-217b Possession of Firearms and Deadly Weapons on School Grounds.

GOALS 2000: Educate America Act, Pub. L. 103-227. 18 U.S.C. 921 Definitions.

Title III - Amendments to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. Sec. 314 (Local Control Over Violence)

Elementary and Secondary Act of 1965 as amended by the Gun Free Schools Act of 1994.

# Safety - School Resource Officer

P.L. 105-17 The Individuals with Disabilities Act, Amendment of 1997.

Kyle P. Packer PPA Jane Packer v. Thomaston Board of Education.

P.A. 23-208 An Act Making Certain Revisions to the Educational Statutes.

#### Personnel – Certified/Non-Certified

#### Nondiscrimination/Equal Employment Opportunity

In compliance with regulations of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 as amended, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987, and the American with Disabilities Act, the Amity Regional School District No. 5 (ARSD) Board of Education (Board) adopts the following Equal Employment Opportunity Policy.

#### **Equal Employment Opportunity**

Both federal and state law prohibits discriminatory practices in hiring and employment. The Board prohibits discriminatory acts in all ARSD matters dealing with employees and applicants for positions and requires equal employment opportunities for all employees and applicants. As an equal opportunity employer, ARSD Board does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, genetic information, pregnancy and related conditions, physical disability (including blindness) or other disability (except in the case of a bona fide occupational qualification or need), status as a Veteran, or any classification protected by state or federal law.

The Superintendent will continually evaluate employment policies and practices in terms of this policy and will report to the Board the results of such an evaluation. The Superintendent will recommend any changes in policies and practices when deemed necessary and appropriate. The Superintendent shall develop a recruitment and staffing plan with a goal of recruiting, employing, promoting, and hiring qualified staff of diversity at all levels of employment. Consideration shall be given to recruitment, selection and employment of qualified people among racial and ethnic minority groups to proportionately mirror the racial and ethnic composition of the community.

#### Sex Discrimination and Sex -Based Harassment and Other Forms of Harassment

The Board strictly forbids any form of harassment based upon an employee's or an applicant's membership in a protected class including sex-based harassment by students, personnel, individuals under contract, or volunteers subject to the control of the Board. Employees who engage in harassment may be subject to discipline, up to and including termination of employment.

#### **Inquires and Complaints**

Any employee who wishes to inquire or to bring a complaint concerning discrimination in the Amity Public Schools shall contact a Title IX Coordinator (sex discrimination), 504 Coordinator (disability discrimination) or Civil Rights Compliance Officer (discrimination based upon race, color, religion, and all other forms of prohibited discrimination except sex or disability) who has the authority to resolve such complaints. The name and contact information for such individuals shall be published annually on the district's website.

ARSD Board Policy 0521.1, Nondiscrimination and Regulation 0521.1, Nondiscrimination-Grievance Procedure, govern employee or applicant complaints of any form of discrimination

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#### Personnel – Certified/Non-Certified

#### Nondiscrimination/Equal Employment Opportunity

prohibited by state or federal law and/or ARSD board policy except for sex discrimination. Grievance procedures are contained in the regulation.

ARSD Board Policy 5145.5, 4118.112/4218.112, Students Personnel, Prohibition of Sex Discrimination/Sex-based Harassment and Regulation 5145.5, 4118.11/4218.112, Students Personnel, Prohibition of Sex Discrimination/Sex-based Harassment govern employee and applicant complaints of sex discrimination and sex-based harassment. Grievance procedures are contained in the regulation.

Questions, complaints, and concerns that are not based upon an employee's membership in a protected class should be directed to the District's Human Resource Director.

### **Posting and Training**

A copy of this policy is to be provided to all employees upon hire. The district will post in a prominent and accessible location in each school building notices regarding the illegality of discrimination and discriminatory harassment of employees and applicants based upon membership in a protected class along with information on how to make an inquiry or complaint.

The Board directs that a new supervisory employee within six months of assuming a supervisory position be provided training and education on federal and state statuary provisions concerning discrimination and discriminatory harassment including training on Title IX sex discrimination and sex-based harassment.

### **Legal References** Connecticut General Statutes

10-153 Discrimination on account of marital status

46a-51 Definitions

46a-58 Deprivation of rights. Desecration of property. Placing of burning cross or noose on property. Penalty. (as amended by PA 17-127 and PA 22-82)

46a-60 Discriminatory employment practices prohibited

46a-79 State policy re employment of criminal offenders

46a-80 Denial of employment based on prior conviction of crime. Inquiry re prospective employee's conviction information. Dissemination of records and information prohibited

46a-81a Discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation: Definition

#### Personnel - Certified/Non-Certified

### Nondiscrimination/Equal Employment Opportunity

P.A. 11-55 An Act Concerning Discrimination

#### Federal Law

Title II of the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008

Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. 2000 et seq.

Title VII of the Civil Rights Act 1964, 42 U.S.C. 2000e, et seq.

Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, 20 U.S.C. 2000 et seq.

Title IX Final Rule, May 6, 2020

2024 Amendments to the U.S. Department of Education's Title IX Regulations ("Final Rule")

Age Discrimination in Employment Act, 29 U.S.C. Sec 621

Section 504of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 29 U.S.C. 794

Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1987

Federal Vocational Rehabilitation Act of 1973, 20 U.S.C.706(7)(b).

American Disability Act, 42 U.S.C. 12101

The Vietnam's Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, as amended, 38 U.S.C. §4212

#### Nondiscrimination – Transgender and Gender Non-Conforming Students

The Amity Regional Board of Education (Board) provides an equal educational opportunity to all its students including gender minority students and prohibits sex discrimination in its educational programs and activities including sex discrimination based upon a student's gender identity or expression. The Board directs the development of a regulation to accompany this policy to guide best educational practices for transgender and gender nonconforming students to ensure adherence with state and federal law. The regulation shall include as-guidelines for schools and district staff to address the needs of transgender and gender nonconforming students and clarify how applicable law should be implemented in the schools. The regulation shall include but need not be limited to, guidance regarding commonly occurring situations where questions may arise about how to protect the legal rights or safety of such students. The guidance cannot anticipate every situation that might occur with respect to transgender or gender nonconforming students, and the needs of each transgender or gender nonconforming student must be assessed on a caseby-case basis. In all cases the goal is to foster a safe learning environment and to ensure that all students have equal access to all school programs and activities. Additionally, the regulation shall be designed to promote the safety, comfort, and healthy development of the transgender or gender nonconforming student while maximizing the student's social integration and minimizing stigmatization of the student.

A transgender or a gender non-conforming student who believes that he/she/they have been subject to sex discrimination including sex-based harassment due to their status as a transgender or gender non-conforming student, should contact the district's Title IX Coordinator. Reports and complaints shall be made in accordance with Board Policy 5145.5/4118.112/4218.112 Prohibition Against Sexual Harassment and Board Regulation 5145.5/4118.112/4218.112, Prohibition Against Sexual Harassment: Response to Reports of Sexual Harassment and Grievance Procedures for Formal Complaints (R5145.5/4118.112/4218.112). Complaint forms for this purpose are available from the Title IX Coordinator and on the district's website.

Further, retaliation is prohibited against any individual who makes a good faith report of a-suspected sex discrimination or sex-based harassment based upon gender identity or expression and anyone who participates in a related grievance process including as a party, witness and in another role. Complaints of retaliation will be treated the same as complaints of sex-discrimination and will be addressed under the above-mentioned policy, regulation and grievance procedures governing sex discrimination.

Legal References: Connecticut General Statutes

10-15c Discrimination in public schools prohibited. School attendance by five-year olds.

10-222 g Prevention and intervention strategy re bullying and teen dating and violence.

46a-51 Definitions.

46a-58 Deprivation of rights. Desecration of property. Placing of burning cross or noose on property. Penalty. Restitution.

Policy Revised:

# Nondiscrimination – Transgender and Gender Non-Conforming Students

10-209 Records not to be public. Provision of reports to schools.

PA 11-55 An Act Concerning Discrimination.

"Guidance on Civil Rights Protections and Supports for Transgender Students", Connecticut State Department of Education, September 2017.

Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, 20 U.S.C. 1232g.

Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, 34 CFR 106.

# AMITY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5

# Bethany Orange Woodbridge 25 Newton Road, Woodbridge, Connecticut 06525



Dr. Jennifer P. Byars Superintendent of Schools jennifer.byars@amityregion5.org 203.392.2106

# **January 13, 2025**

To: Members of the Board of Education

From: Jennifer P. Byars, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools

**Re:** Personnel Report

#### New Hires-Certified:

• District-Wide:

Jonathan Lamont – F/T Districtwide Special Education Teacher – Jonathan is an experienced certified Social Studies Teacher who realized his passion for teaching Special Education. He completed his student teaching for his Special Education Certification in the Bridgeport Public School District, the Coventry School District and also in the Cranston R.I. School District. Jonathan earned his Bachelor's Degree in History from Southern Connecticut State University and currently holds a RITE Certification towards his Master's Degree in Special Education from Rhode Island College.

- Amity Regional High School: NONE
- Amity Regional Middle School Bethany: **NONE**
- Amity Regional Middle School Orange: NONE
- **♣** NEW HIRES-BENCH/LONG TERM SUBSTITUTES/TUTORS: NONE
- **♣** NEW HIRES-NON-CERTIFIED: NONE
- **NEW HIRES-COACHES:**

Adam Donroe – Girls Basketball Coach – 2024-25 Winter Season – Amity Middle School-Bethany Bridget O'Neill – Asst. Girls Lacrosse Coach – 2025 Spring Season – Amity Regional High School Michael Selearis – Wrestling Coach – 2024-25 Winter Season – Amity Middle School-Orange & Bethany

**TRANSFERS:** NONE

#### **RESIGNATIONS:**

Stacey Gardner – FT Paraprofessional – ARHS SAILS Program, eff. 12/31/2024

Victoria Fitzsimmons – FT Paraprofessional – Amity Middle School-Orange, eff. 01/07/2025

Cynthia Como – Category I Administrative Assistant – Amity Regional High School, eff 01/10/2025

Michael Bullers – Assistant Tennis Coach ~ Amity Regional High School, eff. 12/21/2024

**RETIREMENTS:** NONE