SOUTH WASHINGTON COUNTY SCHOOLS
SCHOOL BOARD
7362 East Point Douglas Rd S.
Cottage Grove, MN 55016

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

DATE: December 11, 2025
TOPIC: 8.2 – Final Levy for Taxes Payable in 2026
PRESENTER: Kris Blackburn, Director of Business Services
REFERENCE TO POLICY/STATUTE: Policy 701

A. **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

a. According to Minnesota statutes, School Districts must hold a public hearing (Truth in Taxation hearing) to present information related to the taxes payable in 2026 and allow for public input.
b. In November, Washington County mailed proposed property tax statements to district residents In November reflecting the proposed levy that was approved by the School Board on September 18, 2025. The preliminary levy was approved at the maximum.
c. The Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) is responsible for calculating and releasing the South Washington County Schools' levy report. District staff have worked with the district's financial consultants on tonight's presentation verifying the calculation of the final levy and final estimated tax impact on district residents.
d. Please contact me if you have any questions.

B. **RECOMMENDATION**

a. After the presentation, a public hearing will be held.
b. Following that hearing, an action item will be presented to approve the final levy.

C. **CONNECTION TO STRATEGIC PRIORITY**

a. Student Experience
b. Student Pathways and Systemic Supports
c. Operations, Staffing, and Finance
d. Engagement and Partnerships