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Business Administrator Report

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In addition to the day-to-day responsibilities of the Business Office, the bulk of the last five months has been heavily focused on finalizing the FY27 Budget, negotiating and finalizing the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Support Staff Association, understanding and finalizing requirements to come in to compliance with the new Students First Act (RSA 189:75-78) and completing calendar year end reporting requirements.

Petitioned Warrant Article – The SAU received one Petitioned Warrant Article prior to the February 5th deadline. After consultation with the Town Clerks from our communities, it was determined that the Petitioned Warrant Article did have the appropriate number of signatures from registered voters. In accordance with HB228 which took affect September 13, 2025, the primary petitioner will be speaking to their Petitioned Warrant Article at District Meeting on March 7, 2026.

FY27 Budget - The FY2 Budget process has been vigorous yet yielded what I believe is a responsible and respectable budget that supports the quality of our students' education, meets our student and staff needs, fulfills our statutory obligations, and maintains the integrity of our facilities.

District Meeting – With the FY27 Budget now complete, the Business Office has started preparing for the March 7, 2026, District Meeting. We will be working closely with Superintendent Weaver, the School Board, and Budget Committee to provide dynamic information to aid in accurately telling the District's story financially, support the Board's Open Enrollment Warrant Article, and support our Negotiations Team with presenting the Support Staff Warrant Article to voters.

Association of Behavioral Support Professionals – On February 11, 2026, the Public Employee Labor Relations Board conducted the formal election for our ABA and RBT staff to form a new Collective Bargaining Agreement – the Association of Behavioral Support Professionals. The group voted in the affirmative to form a Union. We are waiting for guidance from our Attorney on the next step in this process; we will keep the Board and Negotiations Committee updated.

Facilities Projects – I met with our Facilities Manager to review facilities projects to be completed over the next seven months. The following projects are on the horizon between April and the end of August:

- Rebuild the home softball dugout (as soon as snow melts)
- Repair the steps at FRES in front of the 1895 section (late spring)
- Repoint the brick pillars at the entrance to LCS (late spring)
- Bleacher repairs at WLC and FRES (2 projects – one in spring and one in summer)
- Locker Room renovation project will start in March
- Replace two sections of VCT floor tiles at WLC (summer)
- Replace carpet in the Library and Front Office of WLC
- Replace first section of ceiling tiles at WLC
- Replace bathroom countertops and sinks – MS bathrooms
- Replace floor tiles on the 2nd floor of the old section at FRES
- Replace the boiler at LCS

Priority will be given to projects that must be completed by June 30th due to funding and then projects that must be done during the summer to have the least impact on staff and students.

Audits on Website

I recently learned that our annual Financial Audits have not been posted on the District's website since 2020. When I started with the District in 2021, this practice was not communicated to me. Over February vacation I will be working to compile the 2021, 2022, and 2023 Audits in digital form and have them posted. Our FY24 Audit is in the scheduling pipeline with our Auditors. Once the FY24 Audit is complete, the plan is to move right on to FY25 and get back on track. The Board will remember there was a significant delay with the FY22 Audit because of the amount of federal funds received and changes in Single Audit requirements. The delay is not due to negligence or oversight.