

Enclosure: V. C.

**THE GROSSE POINTE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM
Grosse Pointe, Michigan**

AGENDA NUMBER & TITLE: V. C.

**Approval of Budget Parameters
for 2021-2022**

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Under Policy 6220, the Board of Education is required to adopt a resolution documenting budget parameters in January. The Treasurer drafts the resolution after review of the various financial reports and projections, taking into account the district goals and after receiving input from fellow Board members. The resolution should reflect the preference of the Board in advance of budget development. This allows the community to have a clear view of the budget development process from its inception. The resolution should:

- A. Identify specific financial goals and objectives that the Board requires in regards to specific cost reduction, revenue increases or other financially related objectives for particular budget elements.
- B. Identify particular budget related strategies that the Board prefers the administration to pursue or avoid in their development of the budget.
- C. Be as specific as possible in terms of the objectives, but allow for flexibility in the administration's approach to budget development.

REQUEST:

The Board of Education approve the budget parameters for 2021-2022 as presented.

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**Grosse Pointe Public School System
Budget Parameters 2021-2022**

In accordance with this policy, the Board directs the administration to begin preparation of the 2021-2022 Budget. The budget shall be consistent with all state and federal laws, the Board's policies, and the District's strategic plan. The budget shall further aid in the achievement of the District's goals, and provide for long-term financial stability. Specific objectives and strategies include:

1. Providing resources to achieve the action points identified in the District's strategic plan;
2. Not participating in Schools of Choice
3. With a greater focus on k-4 administration should seek to adjust class sizes at the elementary level without increasing current class size caps
4. Continue to refine programming and options for grades 5-8.
5. Focusing on returning all students to full-time face to face instruction.
6. Prioritize enrollment gains by contacting families that have left GPPSS.
7. Maintain fund equity at 12% or above

The Board encourages the administration to explore budget alternatives and make proposals. Budget recommendations resulting in significant program or related changes should only be brought to the Board if the administration deems them to be in the best interest of the education of all students. If the administration determines that it cannot achieve any parameter because it conflicts with another parameter, the administration should advise the Board as quickly as possible of the conflict to receive further direction from the Board regarding priorities.

The first draft of the administration's budget recommendations should be presented to the Board by April 26, 2021. For each review or adoption of the budget, the administration shall present all information required under Policy 6220, including updated versions of the following:

1. General Fund Budget Projection
2. Enrollment Projections
3. Class Size Projections
4. Special Revenue Fund Budgets
 - a. Special Education Center Programs Fund (Act 18)
 - b. Food Service Fund
 - c. Community Services Fund
 - d. Student & School Activity Fund
5. Debt Service Fund budget
6. Capital Project Fund Budgets and Proposed Projects
 - a. Sinking Fund
 - b. 2019 School Building & Site Fund
7. If not otherwise disclosed, a brief description of how the budget meets the objectives and strategies set forth above.

Any changes to the budget will be made following Board of Education reviews and recommendations. Other changes will also be made based on directives from the State of Michigan. The final budget proposal will be presented for approval by the Board of Education no later than June 28, 2021 including the required Appropriation Act Resolutions for all funds.