

Levittown Public Schools

Budget Overview



Presentation to the Board of Education
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February 15, 2017

Budget Planning Calendar

November, 2016

- Meet with Central Office team and budget builders to discuss developing initiatives and budget parameters.

December, 2016

- District administrators enter proposed budgets into Finance Manager.
- Budget Builders meet with Central Office to discuss proposed budget.
- Salaries are projected and incorporated into the working budget.
- Preliminary health care and retirement costs are projected and incorporated into the working budget.

January, 2017

- Draft of budget submitted to Superintendent for review/comments/changes.
- January 11, 2017 - Present the First Draft of the 2017-2018 budget, along with the Operations and Maintenance Budget and Transportation Budget.
- January 25, 2017 - Present the Curriculum and Instruction budget and Athletic budgets.

Budget Planning Calendar

February, 2017

- Continue to review, update and refine the budget.
- February 8, 2017-Present Special Education budget
- **February 15, 2017 - Present the Tax Cap Calculation and possible capital projects.**
- Tax Levy Limit Calculations must be uploaded to Comptroller's Office by March 1st.

March, 2017

- Continue to update budget, including staffing and benefits.
- March 1, 2017 – Secondary Staffing and Enrollment, Five-Year Projections and Fund Balance Projection.
- March 15, 2017 – PTA Advisory Committee Presentation on the Budget
- March 29, 2017 - Present the Revenue Budget, Review the Final Budget and the Board adopts Budget.

Budget Planning Calendar

April, 2017

- Property Tax Report Cards due to State Education department no later than April 24, 2017.
- Budget Statement and required attachments must be made available to public in hard copy and on the website on April 21, 2017.

May, 2017

- Budget Hearing – May 3.
- Budget Notice mailed after Budget Hearing and 6 days prior to Budget Vote.
- Budget Vote – May 16.

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Procedures & Assumptions

- ▶ We continue to work on refining projections in staffing and benefits representing about 82% of the budget.
- ▶ BOCES still needs to issue their program costs for 2017-2018 but estimates are built into the budget.
- ▶ The Labor contracts for ALSA and the CSEA will expire on June 30, 2017 but possible scenarios have been considered for budgeting purposes.
- ▶ Continue to use actual expenditures from prior years as well as forecast the current year expenditures in order to develop the 2017-2018 budget.
- ▶ Rules for the New York State \$2 Billion dollar “Smart Schools Bond” have been established and the Computer Instruction Department has submitted a three-year plan to use \$1,348,922 of the \$4,969,070. For 2016–2017 we are using about \$528,000 and planning to use \$600,250 for 2017-2018.

Procedures & Assumptions

- Stay within Tax Levy Limit.
 - At present, the CPI-U which governs the tax levy is 1.26% for December 2016.
 - Levy limit can change as we continue deliberations.
 - There is a new provision in the New York State Tax Code that provides a tax refund if the district stays within the tax cap.
- The Tax Freeze that was in place for the last two years has ended. The district complied with all the necessary rules so our residents could receive the tax freezes for two years.

Procedures & Assumptions

- The Executive budget proposal increases our state aid by \$545,249 (1.63%), as reported in Newsday. However, we need to analyze this number to see how close it comes to our projected spending.
- Governor has said that he reserves the right to reduce State Aid across the board should Federal revenue to New York decline.
- There were reductions in the revenue estimates for GC Tech and Special Education students because of current enrollment trends.
- As in prior years and at the recommendation of the State Comptroller, the district will utilize the ERS, Workers Compensation and Unemployment Reserves for the 2017-2018 budget.

Preliminary Expenditure Budget

- ▶ **Budget-to-Budget increase of 2.38% (\$4,888,949) includes:**
 - All current positions remain in the 2017-2018 budget.
 - ▶ Staffing implications will be discussed in more detail on March 1, 2017.
 - ▶ Salaries increased by 1.69% (\$2,050,028) in the roll-over budget.
 - ▶ Class sizes remain at the 2016-2017 levels.
 - There is an increase in employee benefits due to increase in health insurance (12%) and ERS (4%) offset by a reduction in TRS (-9%). Overall the change is \$1,504,692.
 - New equipment and vehicles are budgeted for the Facilities and Security department (\$94,249).

Preliminary Expenditure Budget

- ▶ **Budget-to-Budget increase of 2.38% (\$4,888,949) includes:**
 - **Bus Purchases**
 - ▶ Four large buses, three vans to replace aging fleet and a replacement for the vehicle used by the bus mechanics.
 - ▶ There is \$280,000 budgeted for bus cameras and updated GPS devices.
 - ▶ Contracted buses are increasing by \$218,000 to meet the needs of the district.
 - Debt Service was reduced by \$671,775 because we finished paying a bond issue.
 - Transfer to Capital was increased by \$471,775 to be used for repairs and improvements to be discussed on February 15, 2017.
 - Contractual increases for the needs of our Special Education Program.


CAPITAL RESERVE FUND (ESTABLISHED MAY 2013)

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Levittown Union Free School District is hereby authorized, pursuant to Education Law Section 3651(1), to establish the 2013 Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of financing District-wide capital improvements including site work, construction, reconstruction, renovation and equipping of school buildings and facilities, with the ultimate amount of the 2013 Capital Reserve Fund to be \$25,000,000, the probable term to be 10 years and the source of the funding to be (i) amounts from budgetary appropriations from time to time, and (ii) unappropriated fund balance made available by the Board of Education from time to time, and (iii) authorized transfers from other available reserves in accordance with existing law, , and (iv) New York State aid received and made available by the Board of Education from time to time.

CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

- ▶ No impact on the tax levy
- ▶ Requires voter approval before specific work on a capital project can begin
- ▶ Money for the fund may come from any of the following sources:
 - ▶ Transfers from other reserves
 - ▶ Building Aid
 - ▶ Budgetary Appropriations
- ▶ Can be funded over a 10 year period from date established
- ▶ Can be funded to a maximum of \$ 25,000,000 (cumulative amount)

CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

- ▶ Total contributions to date is \$ 20,079,478
 - ▶ Future contributions limited to \$ 4,920,522
 - ▶ Interest earned to date is \$ 38,977
 - ▶ Projects approved in May 2014 was \$ 4,000,000
 - ▶ Projects approved in May 2016 was \$ 4,000,000
 - ▶ Current available balance is \$ 12,118,455
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Capital Reserve Fund - Voter Approved Projects

Voter approved expenditures of Capital Reserve funds for school building improvements

- ▶ May 20, 2014 - Proposition # 2
 - ▶ Masonry Phase 2 (repointing /replacement/chimneys)
 - ▶ Playground at Abbey Lane
 - ▶ Division Avenue Weight and Locker Rooms
 - ▶ Salk Locker and Wrestling Rooms
 - ▶ Cooling Stations District Wide
 - ▶ Project costs as set forth in the Brochure may be reallocated among the Project's components within the scope of this authorization.

- ▶ May 16, 2016 - Proposition # 2
 - ▶ Electrical upgrades district wide; including necessary equipment and related work, as well as preliminary and incidental costs.
 - ▶ Project costs as set forth in the Brochure may be reallocated among the Project's components within the scope of this authorization.

Capital Reserve Fund

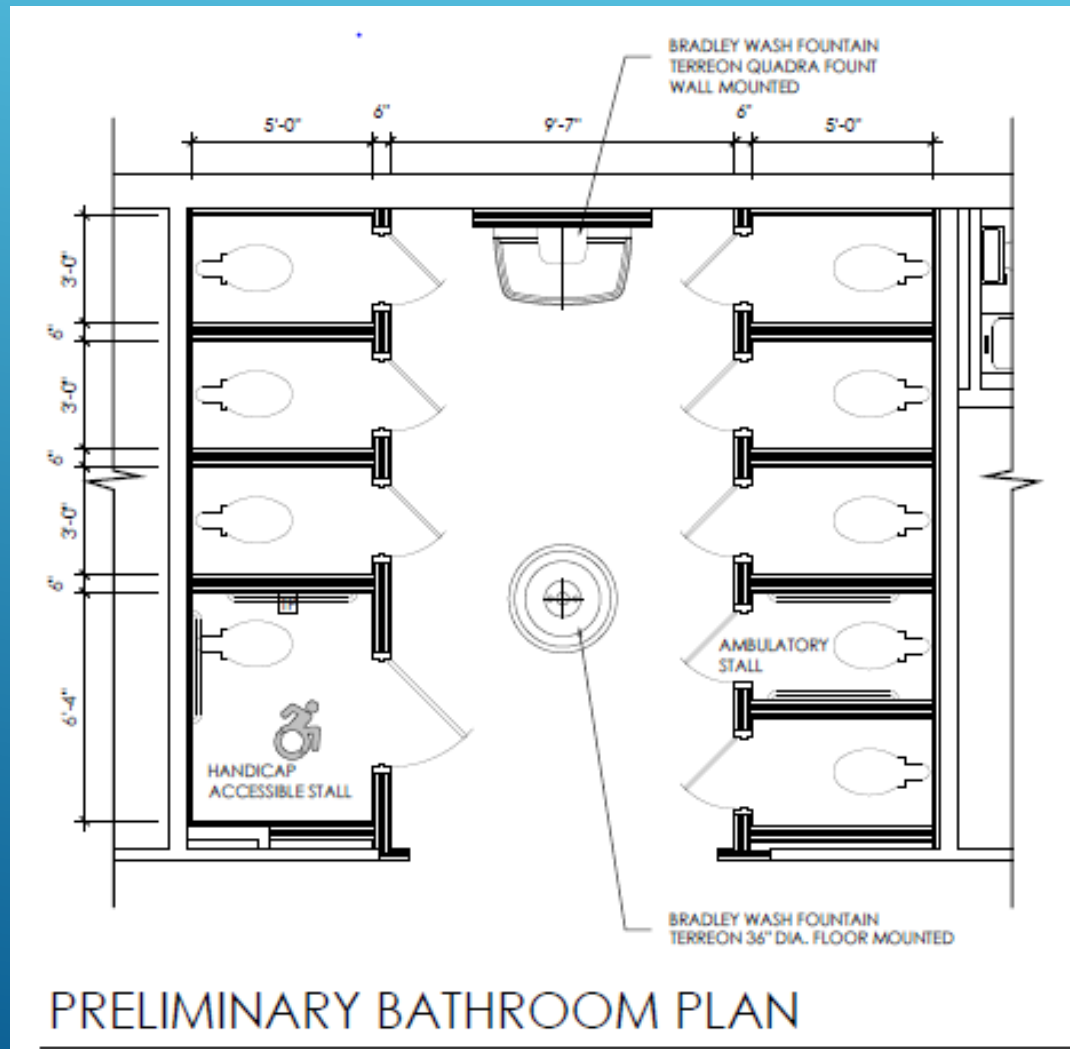
Possible Projects for 2017-2018

Proposed Project	Estimate Cost
Bathrooms, Gym Lobby both HS	\$ 800,000
Turf Fields, both HS	\$ 2,500,000
Track - Division	\$ 700,000
Auditorium - MacArthur	\$ 3,685,000
Traffic Study Recommendations	\$ 2,000,000
Total for use from Capital Reserve	\$ 9,685,000

Additional Proposed	
Northside Cafeteria	waiting estimate

Capital Reserve Fund

Possible Projects for 2017-2018 – Bathrooms – HS Gym Lobbies



Capital Reserve Fund Possible Projects for 2017-2018

Division Track

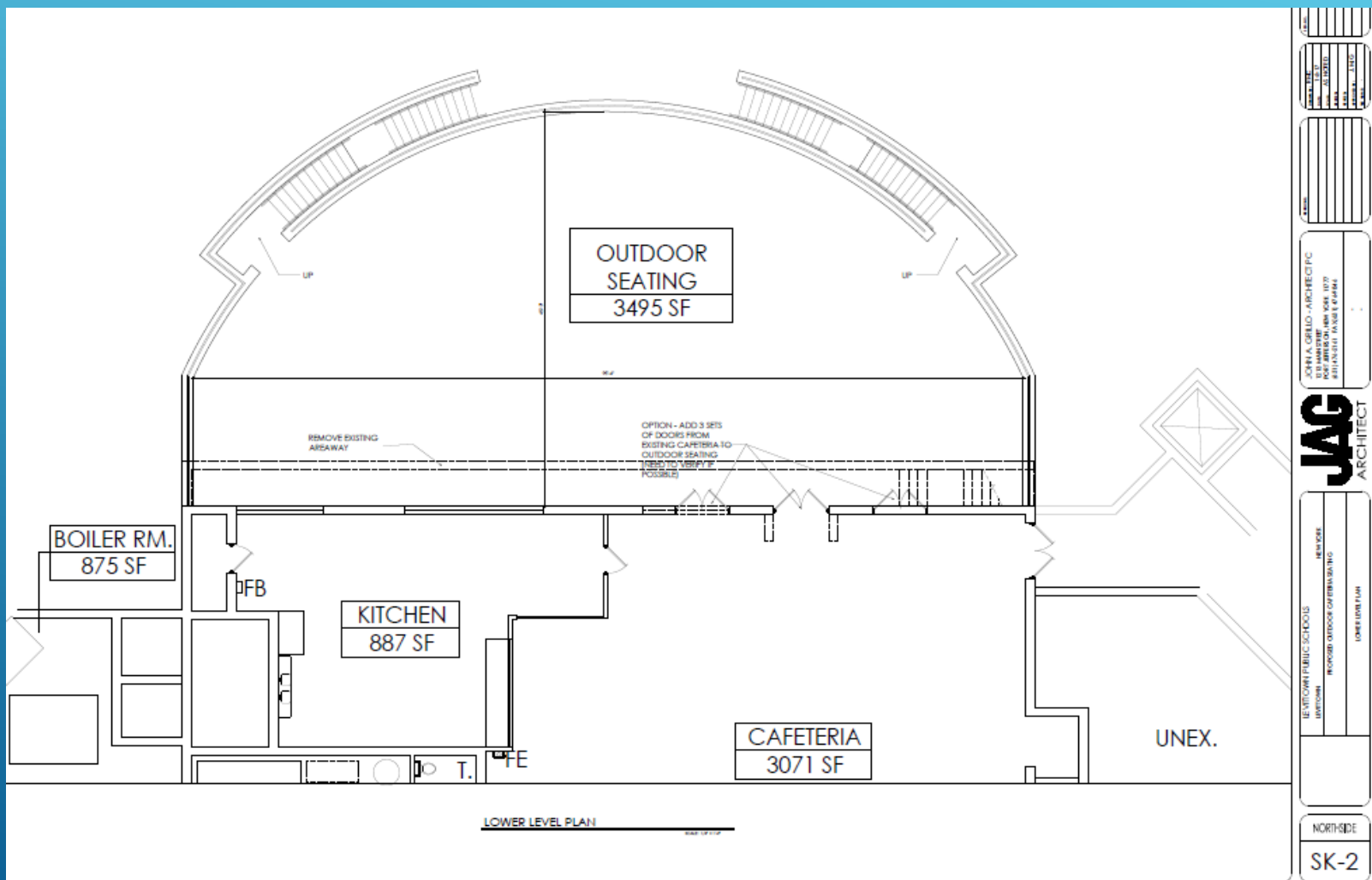


Turf Field




Capital Reserve Fund

Possible Projects for 2017-2018 – Northside Cafeteria



Tax base growth factor, Allowable Levy (CPI-U) Growth Factor and PILOT (Payment in Lieu of Taxes)

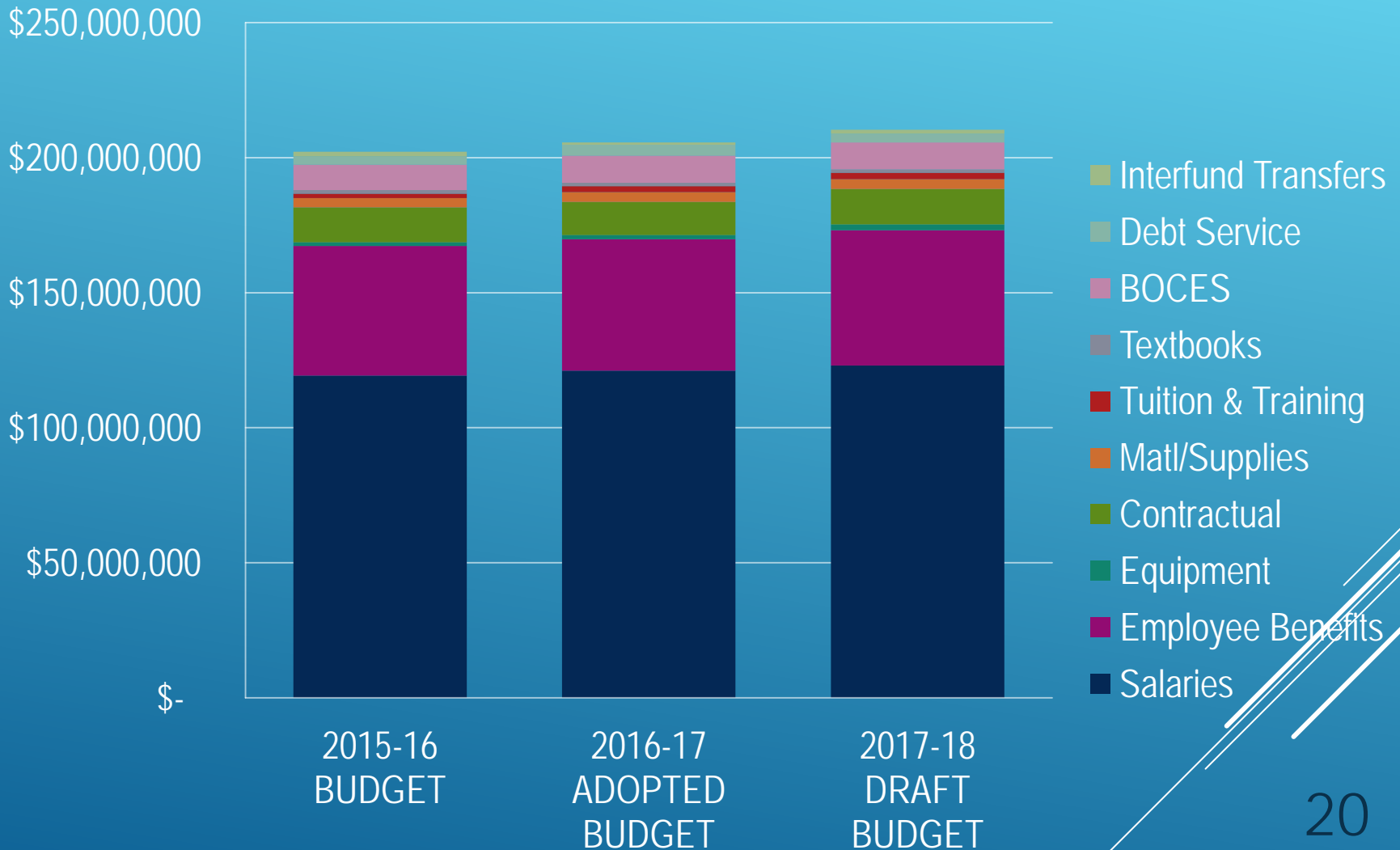
2016/2017 Approved Actual Tax Levy		134,739,685
Tax Base Growth Factor		1.0005
	Based on "brick & mortar" improvements within the community that increase the tax roll. It is set by the County.	134,807,055
PILOTs prior year	+	2,132,120
Capital exclusion prior year	-	878,406
Adjusted Prior Year Tax Levy		136,060,769
Allowable Growth Factor - based on Consumer Price Index (CPI-U) (lesser of 2% or sum of 1 plus inflation factor)		1.260%
Subtotal		137,775,135
Projected PILOTs for next year	-	2,244,457
Allowable Capital Exemption for 2017-2018	+	740,061
Maximum Tax Levy Threshold for 2017-2018		136,270,739
Increase in the Tax Levy (staying within the Tax Cap Rules)	\$1,531,054.1 or	1.14%

Capital Expenditure Exclusions

2016-2017	
Debt Service	3,936,664
Capital Outlay	600,000
Bus Purchases	735,000
Total Capital Expenditures	5,271,664
Other Revenues	100,000
Building Aid:	
Executive proposal	
Regular Building Aid	4,145,265
Total Building Aid	4,145,265
Transportation Aid:	
Total assumed capital exp aidable	225,256
Transportation aid ratio	65.7%
Total Aid	147,993
Building Aid, Trans. Aid & Reserve	4,393,258
Capital Exclusion	878,406

2017-2018	
Debt Service	3,264,889
Capital Outlay	1,080,000
Bus Purchases	722,053
Total Capital Expenditures	5,066,942
Other Rev - Debt Serv & Cap Res	100,000
Building Aid:	
Building + Bldg Reorg Incentive	4,161,063
Less: Aid for water testing and Remid.	(98,299)
Total Building Aid	4,062,764
Transportation Aid:	
Total assumed capital exp aidable	251,713
Transportation aid ratio	65.2%
Total Aid	164,117
Building Aid, Trans. Aid & Reserve	4,326,881
Capital Exclusion	740,061

2017-2018 Proposed Budget



Recap of Budget Changes

Levittown Public Schools 2017-2018 Draft Proposed Budget

2016-2017 adopted budget	205,449,470
Roll forward Budget - presented January 11, 2017	210,980,440
Budget - to - Budget % increase	2.69%
<i>Changes for January 25, 2017 (2nd draft)</i>	
None	
<i>Changes for February 8, 2017 (3rd draft)</i>	
(3rd Draft) Total of all changes	-
New budget amount (2nd Draft)	210,980,440
<i>Second Draft - Dollar Change (+/-)</i>	-
\$ increase over 16/17 adopted budget	5,530,970

Recap of Budget Changes

Budget changes since January 25, 2017

Changes for February 8, 2017 (3rd draft)

Comp Marching Band Stipends	A 2850.1510-M	(4,021)
Emp Benefits NYS Teachers' Retirement	A 9020.8000	(600,000)
(3rd Draft) Total of all changes		(604,021)

New budget amount (3rd Draft)	210,376,419
<i>Third Draft - Dollar Change (+/-)</i>	(604,021)
\$ increase over 16/17 adopted budget	4,926,949
% increase over 16/17 adopted budget	2.40%

Recap of Budget Changes

Budget changes since February 8, 2017

Changes for February 15, 2017 (4th draft)

Personnel - BOCES Services - EAP	A1430.4900	(40,000)
Personnel - BOCES Services - Global Compliance Training	A1430.4900	2,000
Supervision - Clerical Salaries	A2020.1600	(221,689)
Library - Clerical Salaries	A2610.1600	221,689

(4th Draft) Total of all changes	(38,000)
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New budget amount (4th Draft)	210,338,419
<i>Fourth Draft - Dollar Change (+/-)</i>	(38,000)
\$ increase over 16/17 adopted budget	4,888,949
% increase over 16/17 adopted budget	2.38%



Questions?

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