BUDGET ADVISORY COUNCIL Meeting Minutes - Monday, January 13, 2020, 6:30 pm

Members Present: Karen Arthmann, Sheila Buck, Andrea Catena, Lisa Clar, Sara Cosgrove, Christopher Dennis,

Christie DeWald, David Drury, Maria Hamilton, Dan Hentschel, Paul Hoak, Jason Hyson, Dan Knapp, Nancy Kula, Bob Logel, Cheryl Lomedico, Brandie Mercado, Rhonda Morien, Darryl Mull, Ken Nelson, Dave Patt, Kahlan Poltorak, Betty Pum, Pamela Reinhardt, Jim Schultz, Bethany

Beru, Jessica Mattice

Members Absent: Tony Bernaduci, Lou Bouchard, Regina DeCarr, Christopher Dennis, Clay Harris, Martha Mack,

Lauren Purvee, Eric Scheele, Betsy Skripnik, Dina Stathopoulos

Ex-Officio Members: Mary Ann Exler, Nichole LaPlaca, Andy Whitmore, and Bo Wright

REVIEW OF QUESTIONS

Andrew Whitmore reviewed and responded to questions submitted by the members regarding the information contained in the Program and Service Review document. The topics of the questions included: budgeting for new positions, equipment budgeting process, summer school costs, cost-savings from new buses, fuel usage cost, central administration cost, tuition cost, health insurance cost, cost savings from using BOCES services, and budgeting for full transportation staff.

REVIEW OF TAX CAP CALCULATION

Andy Whitmore explained the Tax Levy Cap Calculation including the impact of the Growth Factor and PILOTS (Payments in Lieu of Taxes) in determining the district's Maximum Allowable Levy.

REVIEW OF REVENUE BUDGET & DISTRICT RESERVES

Andy Whitmore reviewed the preliminary revenue projection for the 2020-21 school year, which shows an increase of 3.12% over the prior year. Also shown was a five year projection of revenues and expenses which shows the district has a structural deficit under the tax cap limitations. In addition, Andy explained the different types of reserve funds held by the district and their designated specific uses. The district has approximately \$6 million of reserves available to use to balance the budget.

The next meeting will be on Monday, February 10, 2020 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Mary Ann Exler