

Woodland Park School District Re-2

**BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Regular Board Meeting – February 14, 2024

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Board Vice President Cassie Kimbrell at 6:38 p.m. with the following members present: Keegan Barkley, Mick Bates (via phone), Suzanne Patterson, David Rusterholtz, and Mrs. Kimbrell.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOTION Rusterholtz, second Patterson, to approve the agenda. MOTION CARRIED: Voting Aye – Barkley, Bates, Kimbrell, Patterson, Rusterholtz.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

The following list of people (name and topic they listed when signing up to speak) made public comment to the Board of Education listed in order of speaking: Cynthia Behr, parent & community member, safety at school board meetings; Lorraine Merl, stakeholder, Middle School; Stephanie Merl, parent, Middle School; Shannon Vollaro, parent, Special Education; Drew DePatie, parent, Leadership; Kitten Walker, community member, Business Meeting; Dana Kramer, parent, Middle School.

**CONSENT AGENDA/Blanket Motion**

MOTION Rusterholtz, second Patterson, to accept administrative recommendation and approve action on the following items:

**VI.a.** Minutes – January 10, 17, 2024

**VI.b.1.** Personnel – **New Contracts – Teacher:** *Cathy Messner*, CES Grade 2, effective January 9, 2024; **Support Staff – Elyse Farrell, HS Special Education MM Paraeducator, effective January 9, 2024; *Danielle Park*, HS .2 FTE Accompanist, effective January 16, 2024; *Ninfa Aurora Torres Ramirez*, CES Night Custodian, effective January 22, 2024; *DeAnn Bettermann*, MS Special Education SSN Paraeducator, effective January 7, 2024; *Amanda Greene*, GES Preschool Paraeducator, effective January 9, 2024; *Kaden Wedhoff*, HS Blended Online Paraeducator, effective January 19, 2024; *Haley Prater*, GES Attendance Secretary, effective January 29, 2024. **Transfers:** *Cheri Porter*, GES IRT to GES Grade 2, effective January 9, 2024.**

**V.b.2.** Personnel – **Resignations – Support Staff:** *Sheila Talbot*, GES Preschool Special Education Paraeducator, effective February 8, 2024; *Brittany Countryman*, GES Preschool Group Leader, effective January 30, 2024. **Termination(s):** *Joseph Busby*, CES Night Custodian, effective January 12, 2024. **Retirement(s):** *Trecia Garrick*, SES Media Specialist, effective end of the 2023-2024 school year.

MOTION CARRIED: Voting Aye – Barkley, Bates, Kimbrell, Patterson, Rusterholtz.

**CORRECTION TO 2023-2024 REVISED BUDGET & APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION**

CFO Amy Ryan presented the corrections to the 2023-2024 Revised Budget & Appropriation Resolution. Board Directors asked questions to seek clarification on the proposed corrections, and Mrs. Ryan addressed them. Question was asked if there was any harm in postponing this motion until

next month to allow time for the follow up clarification on both the revenue and insurance? - Superintendent Witt shared that the two questions he asked Mrs. Ryan to follow up with a written explanation will not change the appropriate resolution and we already have an approved appropriation resolution that we know needs to be corrected and we would like to get this correction done for us as well as for CDE, who monitors these numbers.

MOTION Patterson, second Kimbrell, to approve the Appropriation Resolution FY 2024 as presented (Addendum A). MOTION CARRIED: Voting Aye – Barkley, Bates, Kimbrell, Patterson, Rusterholtz.

MOTION Rusterholtz, second Patterson, to approve the Specific Budget Resolution #3 as presented (Addendum B). MOTION CARRIED: Voting Aye – Barkley, Bates, Kimbrell, Patterson, Rusterholtz.

### **PRESENTATION OF WP MIDDLE SCHOOL/WP HIGH SCHOOL MERGER PLAN**

COO Aaron Salt provided a presentation to the Board of Education (Addendum C). He showed a draft map of the building space, illustrating room allocations for both the middle and high school students within WP High School and how to create separation between the students. Plans for separate entrances were also outlined, with Mr. Salt assuring the Board that the planned allocated spaces incur low construction costs.

He also shared insights from a recent visit to Florence Jr./High School, which affirmed the positive direction of the district's planning process. Mr. Salt discussed expanded academic and extracurricular opportunities for middle school students, highlighting the priority given to the middle school STEAM room. He also shared that athletics programs between the two schools would be fine as the coaches have worked on the scheduling using the athletics facilities.

Additional information will be posted on the district website dashboard as it becomes available.

### **BOARD OF EDUCATION DIRECTOR REPORTS**

Vice President Kimbrell reminded the Directors about the upcoming Board Retreat on February 24 and confirmed their attendance. Mrs. Kimbrell announced the Board of Education and the Woodland Park City Council will meet in a joint work session on February 29 to discuss the 1.09% sales tax matters. She shared there has been a lot of misrepresentation of the communication that has or has not occurred between the school district and the city. Contrary to comments that have been made, last June, the sales tax information from the main budget was emailed from the school district to the city. There was also miscommunication on getting together, who would reach out, etc. She shared that she is looking forward to this time together and having a conversation.

### **BOARD INFORMATION REPORTS**

The operations report and financials report (Addendum D) were included in the board packet as information for the Board of Education.

### **ADJOURN**

MOTION Rusterholtz, second Patterson, to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 p.m. MOTION CARRIED: Voting Aye – Barkley, Bates, Kimbrell, Patterson, Rusterholtz.

Attest:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "DAVID ROSTERHOLTZ", written over a horizontal line.

Board of Education Secretary

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of stylized initials and a surname, written over a horizontal line.

Board of Education President

ADDENDUM A



APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION FY 2024

Be it Resolved by the Board of Education of the Woodland Park School District Re-2 in Teller County that the amounts shown in the following schedule be appropriated to each fund as specified in the Budget for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024.

FUND	AMOUNT
General Fund 10	\$ 31,160,000
Risk Management 18	\$ 621,717
Food Service 21	\$ 1,371,819
Designated Purpose Grants 22	\$ 1,652,031
Pupil Activity Special Revenue Fund 23	\$ 875,000
Transportation 25	\$ 375,947
Capital Projects 43	\$ 1,457,041
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS</b>	<b>\$ 37,513,556</b>

FUND	AMOUNT
General Fund 10	\$ 31,160,000
Mick Bates, Board President, in accordance with CRS 22-44-110(4)	\$ 621,717
<u>2/14/24</u>	\$ 1,371,819
Date Adopted	\$ 1,652,031
Designated Purpose Grant	\$ 1,652,031
Pupil Activity Special Revenue Fund 23	\$ 875,000
Transportation 25	\$ 375,947
Capital Projects 43	\$ 1,457,041
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATION</b>	<b>\$ 37,513,556</b>

ADDENDUM B

Woodland Park School District

SPECIFIC BUDGET RESOLUTION #3
Use of Beginning Fund Balance Resolution
Fiscal Year 2023-2024

A Resolution of the Board of Education of the Woodland Park School District RE-2
Authorizing the Use of a Portion of Beginning Fund Balance as Authorized by Colorado Statutes

WHEREAS, C.R.S. 22-44-105 1.5 (a) & (c) states that a budget, duly adopted pursuant to this article, shall not provide for expenditures,
inter-fund, transfers, or reserves, in excess of available revenues and beginning fund balance.

WHEREAS, the Board of Education may authorize the use of a portion of the beginning fund balance in the budget, stating the
amount to be used, the purpose for which the expenditure is needed, and the district's plan to ensure that the use of the
beginning fund balance will not lead to an ongoing deficit.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

In accordance with C.R.S. 22-44-105 1.5 (a) & (c), the Board of Education authorizes the use of a portion of the fiscal year 2023-2024
Beginning Fund Balance for the following funds:

GENERAL FUND 10

Table listing expenditures for General Fund 10: Capital Projects Fund Allocation/Security Upgrades (\$687,526), FY24 Staffing Considerations/Post Employment Pay (\$262,000), Retention/Signing Bonus (\$1,500/FTE) (\$435,000), Carryover: Medicaid Carryover Salaries & Benefits (\$224,177), Capturing Kids Hearts Launch (\$100,000), Curriculum Review and Implementation (\$300,000), One Time Legal Expenses (\$50,000), Election Expenses (\$11,000), Audit Expenses/PERA Audit (\$7,000), Operations/Repairs & Maint Supplies (\$87,000), Utilities/Water Leak (\$28,000).

GENERAL FUND TOTAL \$2,191,703

RISK MANAGEMENT FUND 18

Table listing expenditure for Risk Management Fund 18: Carryover: Purchased Services & Premiums (\$13,911).

FOOD SERVICE FUND 21

Table listing expenditure for Food Service Fund 21: Carryover: Supplies & Equipment (\$244,940).

PUPIL ACTIVITY FUND 23

Table listing expenditure for Pupil Activity Fund 23: Carryover: Purchased Services, Supplies & Equipment (\$0).

TRANSPORTATION FUND 25

Table listing expenditure for Transportation Fund 25: Carryover: Purchased Services (\$82,662).

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND 43

Table listing expenditure for Capital Projects Fund 43: Carryover: Purchased Services, Supplies & Equipment (\$769,515).

These expenditures are one time only and will not lead to deficit spending.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the use of this portion of the beginning fund balance for the purposes set forth.

Handwritten signature of Mick Bates and date 2/14/24.

Mick Bates, Board President Date

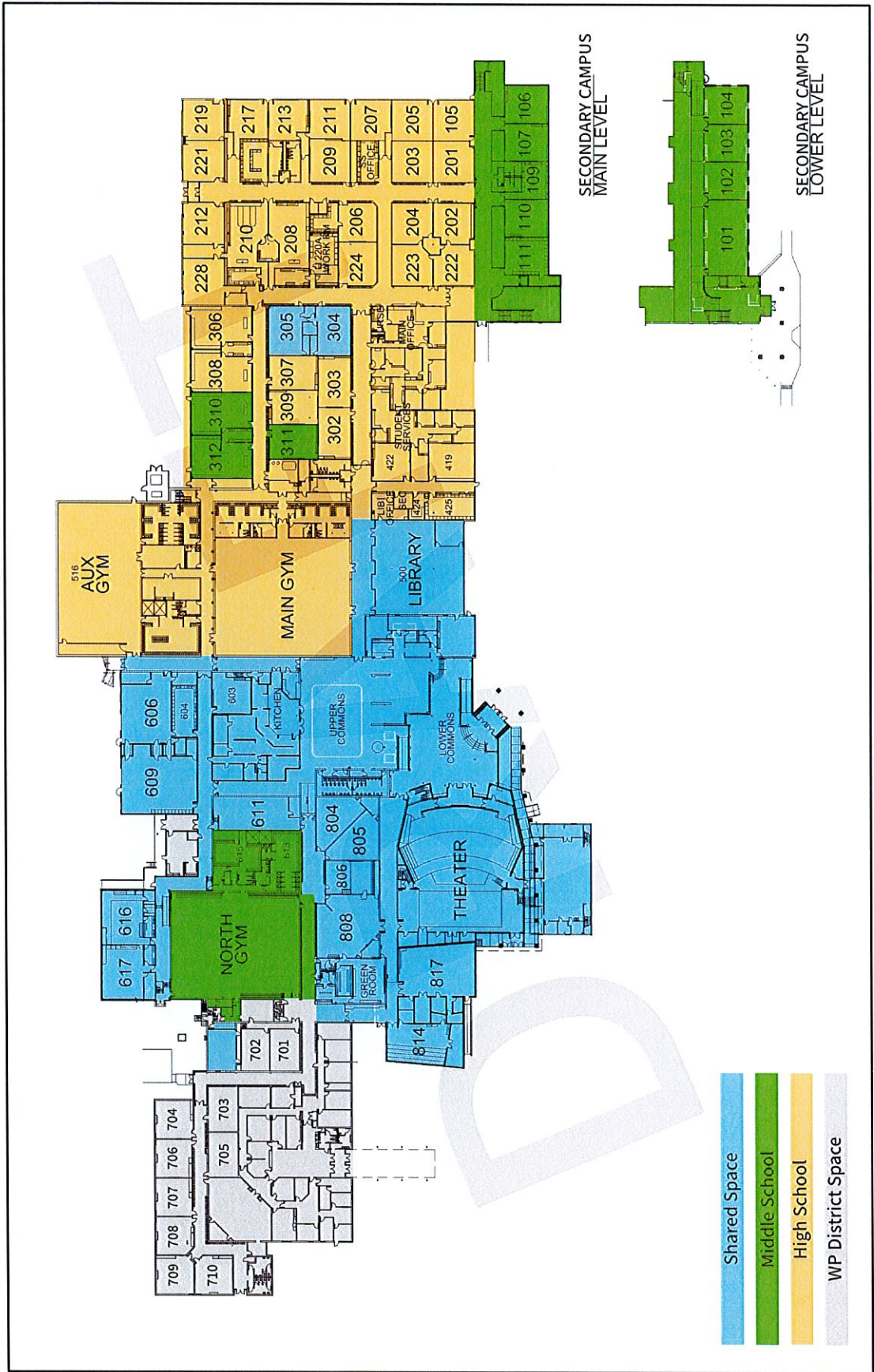
# Board of Education

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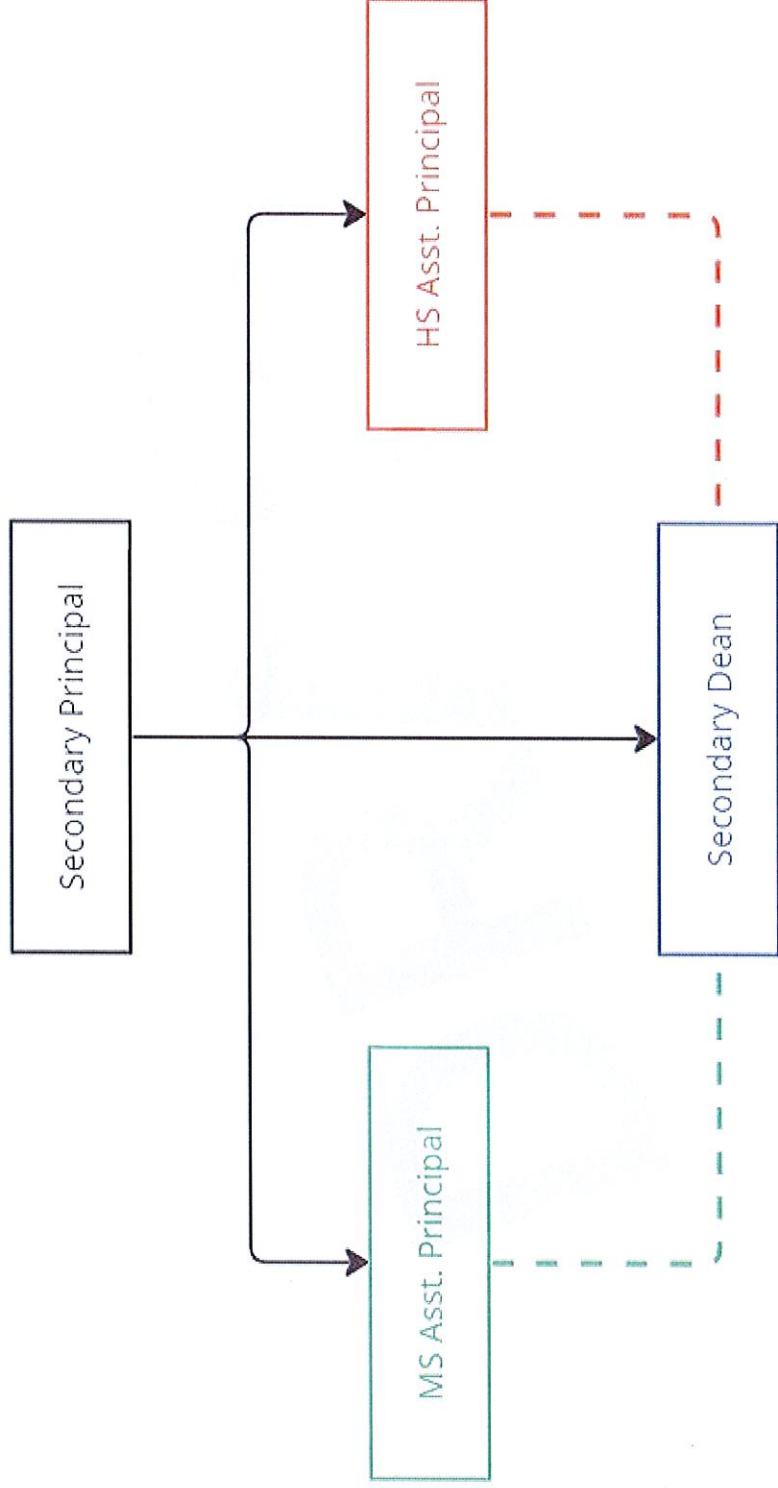
## Current Status

- MS & HS Room Allocation Needs
- Separate Entrances for MS and HS Students
- Student Traffic Flow within the Building
- Campus Leadership Structure Discussions
- Initial Bell Schedule Conversations
- Potential New Electives and Academic Offerings for MS
- Athletic facilities scheduling





# Campus Leadership Structure



# New Electives and Academic Offerings for MS

- Theater
- Advanced Core
- Dedicated teachers to electives



## Athletic facilities scheduling

- Both MS and HS ADs have had multiple meetings, and are committed to ensure all athletic programs are supported throughout the move
- Both ADs have met with head coaches and programs At this point in time both athletic directors are optimistic
- **Make Better - Grow Stronger!**
  - a. Programs are thriving - numbers are continuing to grow
  - b. Academic performance continues to grow with declining academically ineligible student athletes
  - c. Coaches are eager for continued collaboration and continuity of programs
  - d. Potential for additional opportunities and expanding 6th grade options



## Visit to Florence

- CAO, COO, HS Interim Principal, MS Principal
- Met with Florence Superintendent, Principal, AP/AD
- 5 years ago
- Going the right direction
- Florence considers their secondary 1 school, which caused problems
- Similar feedback from their community to ours
- Overall, positive and affirming direction

Questions?



Woodland Park School District RE-2  
General Fund  
Revenue/Expenditure Report (Unaudited)  
JANUARY 2024

	AUDITED ACTUAL FY 2023	ADOPTED BUDGET FY 2024	REVISED BUDGET FY 2024	2024 Increase (Decrease)	January YTD		Variance	Remaining Balance	%
					Revised Budget	Actual			
<b>Revenues</b>									
Total Program (Property Tax, SO Tax, & State Share)	10,119,112	14,454,462	13,242,778	(1,211,684)	7,724,954	1,014,552	6,710,402	12,228,226.74	0.92
State Equalization	11,895,584	9,522,348	9,503,788	(18,560)	5,543,876	5,621,689	(77,813)	3,882,099.11	0.41
Sales Tax	2,757,454	3,171,042	3,171,042	-	1,849,774	1,153,986	695,788	2,017,055.96	0.64
Rural Funding	452,044	452,044	452,044	-	263,692	191,158	72,534	260,885.86	0.58
Local Sources (Tuition, Participation Fees, Other)	480,793	375,000	395,000	20,000	230,417	302,624	(72,207)	92,376.09	0.23
Universal Preschool (UPK)	-	-	550,000	550,000	-	320,833	(34,716)	194,451.03	0.35
Medicaid Reimbursement	474,875	375,000	469,502	94,502	273,876	172,206	101,670	297,296.00	0.63
PERA Nonemployer Revenue	843,103	335,764	335,764	-	195,862	-	195,862	335,764.00	1.00
IDEA Part B	108,987	204,502	110,000	(94,502)	64,167	-	64,167	110,000.00	1.00
Earnings on Investments	213,604	135,000	200,000	65,000	116,667	129,149	(12,483)	70,850.65	0.35
Facility Rental/Lease Proceeds	68,928	72,000	72,000	-	42,000	34,575	7,425	37,425.25	0.52
Other (GT, VE, Forest Svc, Mineral Lease, Other State and Fed)	351,913	215,217	350,000	134,783	204,167	351,673	(147,507)	(1,673.49)	0.00
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>27,766,398</b>	<b>29,312,379</b>	<b>28,851,918</b>	<b>(460,461)</b>	<b>16,830,286</b>	<b>9,327,161</b>	<b>7,503,125</b>	<b>19,524,757</b>	<b>0.68</b>
Total Allocations	(5,373,506)	(6,717,342)	(5,973,527)	743,815	(3,484,557)	(3,484,557)	(0)	(2,488,970)	0.42
<b>TOTAL REVENUES AFTER ALLOCATIONS</b>	<b>22,392,891</b>	<b>22,595,038</b>	<b>22,878,392</b>	<b>283,354</b>	<b>13,345,728</b>	<b>5,842,604</b>	<b>7,503,124</b>	<b>17,035,788</b>	<b>0.74</b>
<b>Expenditures</b>									
Instructional	11,143,789	10,813,754	10,374,328	(439,426)	6,051,691	5,793,569	258,122	4,580,758.78	0.44
Special Education	2,416,664	3,042,481	2,826,481	(216,000)	1,648,781	1,073,856	574,925	1,752,625.45	0.62
Co-Curricular	650,540	643,137	638,137	(5,000)	372,247	372,212	35	265,925.16	0.42
Support Services	1,009,258	1,287,045	1,230,245	(56,800)	717,643	715,652	1,990	514,592.52	0.42
Instr. Staff Support	1,281,615	1,438,848	1,438,862	14	839,336	725,803	113,534	713,059.40	0.50
General Admin	1,460,717	1,259,036	1,232,205	(26,832)	718,786	669,092	49,694	563,112.87	0.46
School Admin	1,818,910	1,613,351	1,559,717	(53,634)	909,835	973,636	(63,802)	586,080.12	0.38
Business Services	481,896	426,701	503,598	76,897	293,766	314,605	(20,840)	188,992.90	0.38
Operations & Maintenance	2,637,247	2,459,536	2,715,956	256,420	1,584,308	1,385,231	199,077	1,330,725.04	0.49
Student Transportation	1,069,007	1,103,830	1,024,630	(79,200)	597,701	624,062	(26,362)	400,567.55	0.39
Central Support	697,256	442,069	469,269	27,200	273,740	266,367	7,373	202,902.06	0.43
Facilities & Sites/Other Support	974,164	1,036,668	1,056,668	20,000	616,390	735,926	(119,536)	320,742.30	0.30
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>25,641,064</b>	<b>25,566,456</b>	<b>25,070,095</b>	<b>(496,361)</b>	<b>14,624,222</b>	<b>13,650,011</b>	<b>974,211</b>	<b>11,420,084</b>	<b>0.46</b>

ADDENDUM D