

Ellenville Central School District

Board of Education

Budget Workshop #1

Summary

1. Since the school 2016-17 year there have been operating deficits (-\$111,093 and -\$557,801) respectively. We have been balancing the budget with reserves.
2. The first draft of the 2019-20 budget has an estimated budget of \$52,999,980 million or a 1.95% increase and a tax levy increase of 1.36%.
3. The Governor's state aid proposal shows a budget to budget increase of \$1,518,517 (inclusive of Community Schools set aside)
4. Our Federal Grants are being reduced annually. Next year we anticipate a \$293,221 reduction.
5. The budget shows \$3,323,584 of reserves to balance the budget, with an additional \$100,000 to cover Capital Project items (identified in the Capital budget).
6. The preliminary BOCES Special Education budget shows an increase due to more students being placed at BOCES versus private schools; however as the Special Education budget develops over the next few months this number will change.
7. Other BOCES costs are up due to costs shifted from Administrative for TSTT and Sullivan County Career and Tech enrollment, which was not budgeted in 2018-19.
8. Benefits are up due to health & dental insurance increases.
9. Administrative and Program Salaries are up due to contractual obligations and the addition of a Facilities Director.
10. The topics for tonight's presentation are: Budget overview, Buildings and Grounds, Transportation, and Administrative.
11. Our operations (Buildings and Grounds) budget is \$2,371,984 or a 2.63% change primarily due to changes in the Debt Service budget line (Principal and Interest for the recently completed capital project). Many lines of the capital budget have been reduced based on continued analysis of previous years' expenditures.
12. Transportation budget, controlled by CPI (2.44%) is \$3,724,8770, which is lower than 2018-19 due to students no longer attending certain out of district placements. The transportation budget will possibly change as the Special Education budget develops over the next few months.
13. The Administrative budget is down \$42,935 due to downward trends in legal and Special Education evaluations. The Hall of Fame budget line has been moved from Athletics to the Board of Education and has increased by \$1,000 due to the annual Hall of Fame breakfast. Line 10 under Board of Education is a new line, which is for the 4th of July Float and Blueberry Festival annual expenses.
14. Budgeted for 18-19 & 19-20, but not yet hired are: Attendance Liaison
15. Budgeted for 19-20 are: Facilities Director
16. Not budgeted, but needed if funds permit: Guidance Counselors, Mechanic, P-Tech, Recondition Baseball and Softball fields