



Mr. Simeck discussed the relationship between the budget and initiatives we are implementing as an organization. There are a number of projects we are directing time and resources to including the new robotics maker space room. There was a seamless rollout of the Leading Edge Initiative this year which put a new computer in the hands of 1200 students. We're in the process of implementing software such as Atlas Rubicon which captures and maps curriculum and Illuminate, a software that will help track students who are struggling by providing data on their achievement to our teams so that they can find ways to keep students in regular classrooms. The CSCI student social emotional survey will be taken annually by students and staff and bi-annually by parents. A community mentorship program which will help identify internship possibilities is available to students. Summer curriculum planning workshops were held over the summer break, new seating and classroom furniture was purchased and infrastructure improvements have been made. These investments all link to our milestones.

Mr. Albus reported that there are no changes to the projected revenues since the Budget presentation in July, largely because there have been no changes in Springfield. We have only received three (3) categorical payments not the four (4) projected. Word from Springfield is that we should not expect the fourth payment. There have been no changes to the projected expenses since July. We're assuming a pension cost shift of about \$80,000 to \$100,000.

#### PUBLIC PARTICATION

A question on property taxes was raised by a member of the audience. Mr. Albus said that there have been conversations in Springfield about a 2-year property tax freeze but that will not solve the State's problem since the freeze is on local taxes that impact local school districts and municipalities.

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION:** Mr. Moorman moved and Dr. Eliot seconded that the budget hearing be adjourned.

On voice vote, the motion carried

Mr. Marcusson closed the Budget Hearing at 7:00 pm.

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Ted Moorman, Secretary

Date