

Finance Committee Meeting

High School Library

4:30 pm

1. Levy Considerations
 - a. Original levy considerations
 - b. Revised levy considerations
 - c. Current levy considerations

2. 2021-22 Facts
 - a. Facts assume balanced 20-21 budget
 - b. Increased staffing eliminated
 - c. Unknowns- funding from the Legislature, student enrollment

3. By January, 2021 make final decision regarding levy considerations

2020-21 Levy Considerations

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Elementary \$346,146*

People Cuts Restored	\$ 116,000.00	People Cuts Restored	
Exp Lines Restored \$35-45K	\$ 45,000.00	2 periods choir	\$ 15,536
Curriculum Material	\$ 35,000.00	1 period shop	\$ 6,853
Health Insurance Increase	\$ 16,524.00	1 period FACS	\$ 7,700
Exp Lines Increase	\$ 23,828.00	.5 FTE Social Studies	\$ 23,540
SRO	\$ 6,250.00	.5 FTE PE	\$ 23,540
Other		2 periods art	\$ 15,536
		.5 FTE Librarian	\$ 23,540
Total	\$ 242,602.00		\$ 116,245

High School \$257,422*

People Cuts Restored	\$ 102,000.00	People Cuts Restored	
Exp Lines Restored \$20-25K	\$ 25,000.00	1 period choir	\$ 8,003
Textbook/Tech Line	\$ 15,000.00	.5 FTE Social Studies	\$ 23,540
Unfunded Sports Restored	\$ 54,000.00	.5 FTE PE	\$ 23,540
Health Insurance Increase	\$ 10,044.00	.5 FTE Art	\$ 23,540
Exp Lines Increase	\$ 18,963.00	.5 to 1 FTE Shop	\$ 23,540
SRO	\$ 6,250.00		\$ 102,163
Other			
Total	\$ 231,257.00		

Unfunded Sports Est.

Soccer	\$ 16,000
Golf	\$ 11,000
CC	\$ 8,000
Wrestling	\$ 12,000
Swim	\$ 7,000
Total	\$ 54,000

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Exp Lines Restored \$35-45K	\$	45,000.00
Curriculum Material	\$	35,000.00
Exp Lines Increase	\$	23,828.00
SRO	\$	13,125.00
5th & 6th Grade B-ball	\$	4,872.00
Total	\$	121,825.00
Remaining	\$	224,321.00

High School \$257,422*

Exp Lines Restored \$20-25K	\$	25,000.00
Textbooks	\$	15,000.00
Unfunded Head Coaches	\$	15,295.74
Exp Lines Increase	\$	18,963.00
SRO	\$	13,125.00
Total	\$	87,383.74
Remaining	\$	170,038.26

Total Remaining Funds	\$	394,359.26
1 % Salary Increase	\$	50,461.00
		7.8%

Coaches		
Golf	\$	2,741.98
CC	\$	2,741.98
Wrestling	\$	2,741.98
Swimming	\$	2,741.98
Soccer	\$	2,163.91
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	\$	15,295.74

2020-21 Levy Considerations

History

Dec 2019 Levy Considerations	\$	473,859
Jan 2020 Levy Considerations	\$	209,209
Current Recommendations	\$	92,648

Elementary

Exp Lines Restored \$35-45K	\$	35,000.00	\$	(10,000)
Curriculum Material	\$	25,000.00	\$	(10,000)
Expenditure Lines Increase			\$	(23,828)
SRO			\$	(13,125)
5th & 6th Grade B-ball			\$	(4,872)
Total	\$	60,000.00		

High School

Exp Lines Restored \$20-25K	\$	15,000.00	\$	(10,000)
Textbooks	\$	10,000.00	\$	(5,000)
.5 Unfunded Head Coaches	\$	7,648.00	\$	(7,648)
Exp Lines Increase			\$	(18,963)
SRO			\$	(13,125)
Total	\$	32,648.00		

Total Levy Funds	\$	591,454.00
Levy Considerations	\$	92,648.00
Remaining Levy Funds	\$	498,806.00

***No room to absorb future facts sheet deficits.**

Total Levy Funds	\$	591,454.00
Levy Considerations	\$	92,648.00
BUC/Administrative Employees	\$	128,433.00
BAEA - Last Committee Offer	\$	378,994.00
	\$	(8,621.00)

To be cut from 20-21 budget

PRELIMINARY - FY 22 BIGFORK SCHOOL DISTRICT

Estimated 12.3.20

Using fall count, with static spring count

Final Budget mtg no later than Aug 25th.

2.16 estimated inflationary increase per OPI

Personnel Expenditures Estimated

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

HIGH SCHOOL

ANB

2020-21 ANB	619	338
2021-22 ANB	605	331
ANB change from FY 2020-21	-14	-7

CURRENT BUDGET	4,381,022.13	3,013,306.76
2021-22 Budget - WITHOUT A VOTED LEVY	4,403,647.46	3,019,363.45
2021-22 BUDGET CHANGE FROM FY 20-21	22,625.33	6,056.69

additional required expenditures for 2021-22

Contractual Step/Experience Increase	59,995.08	30,913.92
Lane Changes Estimated - Used 3 Year Average	18,039.00	9,714.00
1.5% BAEA, \$55,901	36,336.00	19,565.00
1.5% BUC, \$11,135	7,238.00	3,897.00
1.5% Administrative Employees, \$13,543	8,803.00	4,740.00
Liability Insurance Increase	5,000.00	3,000.00
TOTAL REQUIREMENTS	(135,411.08)	(71,829.92)

BUDGET REQUIREMENTS

2021-22 budget change from FY 2020-21 (from pink box)	22,625.33	6,056.69
additional required expenditures (from purple box)	(135,411.08)	(71,829.92)
Additional expenses/recommendations page totals (from page 2)	100,826.00	72,888.00
	(11,959.75)	7,114.77

ADDITIONAL EXPENSES/ RECOMMENDATIONS GENERAL FUND BUDGET

	Elementary	High School
June 2020 Retirees - Retirement Incentives Budget Capacity	(36,000.00)	(12,000.00)
HS Teacher Add- .5 History		(25,982.00)
CTE Fine Arts Teacher, 5/7 + ins	(33,776.00)	(18,187.00)
.5 FTE Admin	(31,050.00)	(16,719.00)
BUDGET CHANGES	100,826.00	72,888.00

[EXTERNAL]RE: 2021 Legislative Session - MTSBA Legislative Platform : 2021 Session Update: Leadership Elections

Emily Dean via Montana School Boards Association <Mail@ConnectedCommunity.org>

Wed 11/18/2020 8:05 PM

To: Lacey Porrovecchio <lporrovecchio@bigfork.k12.mt.us>

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Re: 2021 Session Update: Leadership Elections

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Nov 18, 2020 8:05 PM

Emily Dean

Hi Tana, that is a complicated question! We tend to do best when there is moderate, bipartisan support for our bills and that is our goal on any priority adopted by our members.

We foresee at least two key challenges for public education in the coming session. First and foremost is the stated interest among some Republican legislators of preventing any increase in general fund spending over the next two years compared to the current biennium. With K-12 spending representing over 1/3 of the general fund, that could result in funding at levels that will require substantial cuts in current programs and services provided by K-12 Public Schools.

Governor-Elect Gianforte has promised to hold the line on new state spending for the next two years. Current Governor Bullock has advised that funding inflation (which is required as part of the Legislature's basic system of free quality schools) would cost close to \$100 million for the next biennium. See the following chart for details:

Program Proposed Budget Adjustments	Budget Adjustments Fiscal 2022		Budget Adjustments Fiscal 2023	
	General Fund	Total Funds	General Fund	Total Funds
Present Law Adjustments				
PL - 902 - K-12 BASE AID INFLATIONARY INCREASE	24,155,449	24,155,449	47,799,367	47,799,367
PL - 903 - AT RISK PAYMENT INFLATIONARY INCREASE	121,867	121,867	231,508	231,508
PL - 906 - STATE TUITION APPROPRIATION INCREASE	372,900	372,900	372,900	372,900
PL - 907 - NRD K12 FACILITIES PAYMENT	2,338,000	2,400,000	2,070,000	2,400,000
PL - 910 - STATE TRANSFORMATIONAL LEARNING AID	2,123,919	2,123,919	2,165,770	2,169,770
PL - 911 - STATE ADVANCE OPPORTUNITIES AID	1,873,558	1,873,558	2,564,033	2,564,033
PL - 914 - GUARANTEE ACCOUNT ADJUSTMENT	4,078,494	4,078,494	3,730,727	3,730,727
Total Present Law Adjustments	\$34,802,184	\$34,954,164	\$58,948,273	\$59,278,273

The second challenge we foresee is reflected in the stated interest in expanding funding for private alternatives to public education among some legislators from the GOP's conservative faction.

We have some upcoming Zoom sessions in December we will be announcing soon that will give our members greater detail on evolving issues and an opportunity to ask questions and discuss among fellow elected trustees from across the state. Thanks!

Emily Dean
Director of Advocacy
Montana School Boards Association

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Original Message:
Sent: 11-18-2020 17:33
From: Tana Pinkerton-Cates
Subject: 2021 Session Update: Leadership Elections

Good Evening,
I'm a bit confused. I saw in the thread that there are "33 D's". I'm assuming this is 33 Democrats. Are there concerns regarding the Republican's as far as school legislation is concerned? And if so, what are the biggest concerns? Thanks, Tana

Original Message:
Sent: 11/18/2020 4:01:00 PM
From: Jan Cahill
Subject: RE: 2021 Session Update: Leadership Elections

Hi Emily.

Thanks for the update! Nothing "big" but there are 33 D's in the House.....


Jan

Original Message:
Sent: 11/18/2020 3:56:00 PM
From: Emily Dean
Subject: 2021 Session Update: Leadership Elections

Following the results of the 2020 election, the stage has been set for the 2021 Legislative Session. The change in party in the Governor's office and larger majorities achieved in the House and Senate by Republicans will likely present a significant change the tone and legislative operations during this upcoming session. Today,

Wednesday, November 18, the Republican and Democratic Caucuses met with their respective chamber caucus colleagues to elect their leadership. Given the majorities in the House (67 R – 23 D), we watched the Caucus leadership elections closely. The House Republicans elected Rep. Wylie Galt as Speaker of the House, defeating Rep. Matt Regier. Rep. Sue Vinton (former MTSBA Director) was elected House Majority Leader, defeating Rep. John Fuller. Rep. Casey Knudsen was elected Speaker Pro Tempore, defeating Rep. Rhonda Knudsen.

Senator Mark Blasdel was elected President of the Senate, Senator Cary Smith was elected Majority Leader, and Senator Jason Ellsworth was elected President Pro Tempore. The Democratic Caucuses elected Rep. Kim Abbott as House Minority Leader and Senator Jill Cohenour (spouse of former MTSBA Director Joe Cohenour) as Senate Minority Leader.

The results of the leadership elections will present MTSBA and the education community opportunities to find common ground and ensure effective advocacy in the interests of Montana's public schools and the students they serve.

With the results in majority leadership we are optimistic that the Session could have more positive tone than that which was experienced during the October 19 Joint Rules Committee meeting. With our MT-PEC partners, MT-PEC development and submitted of a statement expressing concern and urging constraint to the Joint Rules Committee, where committee members expressed public interest and active planning to overturn the results of a poll of legislators in the attempt to overturn emergency declarations and place legislative rules as a higher source of authority than codified law. The uncertainty caused by this potential action could have jeopardized federal funding that Montana has received by virtue of such emergency declarations and orders. When the Committee met on Monday, October 19, they did not have a quorum, but the meeting continued with a number of concerning comments which does not bode well for the Session to come. The Committee adjourned without taking any action, resulting in no opportunity for public comment.

Following the discussions at the 2020 Delegate Assembly, MTSBA plans to enter the Session with a strategically scaled back legislative package that will focus on the member adopted first priority: "In undertaking its advocacy efforts MTSBA must first devote its efforts to preserving previous progress as reflected in this platform. MTSBA's second priority will be to pass legislation further enhancing the constitutional guarantees afforded children as outlined in its gap analysis resolution."

In order to preserve the progress of the education community, MTSBA will pursue a primary route of bills that will allow us to effectively defend the legislative gains on behalf of public schools of the past two decades while achieving policy goals without budgetary impact.

Emily Dean
Director of Advocacy
Montana School Boards Association

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