

Monitoring Response Document

Policy Monitored: EL-7, Budget Planning and Execution
 Date Report submitted: 11/20/19
 Date of Board’s Monitoring Response: 12/11/19

The Board has received and reviewed the Superintendent’s Monitoring Report referenced above. Following the Board’s review and discussions with the Superintendent and his representatives, the Board makes the following conclusions:

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Ends Reports:</u></p> <p>1. The Board finds that the Superintendent:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. has achieved the goals established in the policy. b. is making reasonable progress towards achieving the goals. c. is making reasonable progress towards achieving the goals, but a greater degree of progress is expected in some areas.* d. is not making reasonable progress in achieving the goals established. * e. cannot be determined* 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Executive Limitations Reports</u></p> <p>1. The Board finds that the Superintendent:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <u>is in compliance.</u> b. is in compliance, except for items(s) noted.* c. is making reasonable progress toward compliance.* d. is not in compliance or is not making reasonable progress toward compliance.* e. cannot be determined*
<p><i>*see comments below (No. 3)</i></p>	

2. Please note commendable progress over the last year.

The evidence shows an impressive advance in grant applications and awards, e.g. 21st Century Community Learning Center; and solid progress developing community partners to benefit our students and their families, such as access to mental health care and the GRADS program. The most recent awards appear to support both equity and fairness, something the board values highly. There is evidence of maximum leverage of local funding (levies). The superintendent continues to engage in a conservative (e.g. maintaining maximum 5% fund balance, Lean management project) and award-winning budget process. It should be noted that this year the budget was developed in the challenging context of a turbulent labor and changing legal environment, which is commendable. The report shows a well-developed budgeting process that has provided both stability and flexibility in planning as revenues and needs change.

3. Please note areas for additional improvement.

None.

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4. Comments on the report itself.

The Board appreciates the "Learnings" sections. This shows the board that the superintendent strives for continuous improvement. The report is very thorough and we found the use of italicized sections to help highlight new items helpful. It is fascinating to see the amount of grant proposals that the district is receiving.

5. Possible changes to the policy.

None.