



Claire Wertz, Deputy Superintendent of Business and Operations shared that we had sent the proposed budget book to be printed and everybody will

We based the proposed budget on the approved \$9.0 billion biennium

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## Q & A opportunity

1. In a time when we know there will be substantial learning loss that many students will have in the fall and the increase need for more social, emotional learning and health support related to social distancing and COVID-19, how is the district approaching at reducing costs when instructional time will be key, and the need for more nurses and more counselors?

*Answer: When 80 percent of our budget is people, and when you look at the bulk of those dollars lie and we are looking at a 7 percent reduction that leaves us. We've taken everything else out, every piece of paper, every computer, every printer, we've taken all those things out we have 3 percent available to us. If we get all of our money to cover what we need to run buses, we wouldn't even get just keeping the lights on in schools warm. So there are bare necessities you have that come out of the budget, the board decides how much of a contingency we need to have, a fund balance goal that is set by the board, but that can only be a guide. The needs are there.*

2. Has the district started

*crazy fallout is of this unknown coronavirus situation, Guadalupe can always see the potential of what our vision is for this graduate portrait of this district that really serves all students well.*

4. Teacher salary reductions are totally off the table. Can PPS and PAT not negotiate to the

*collaborating across the country with our peers, on how it will work in the fall, including summer.*

**9. What's our work to do now?**

*Answer: (Director Lowery) Your support as a committee is important, philosophically think through those cuts will be helpful to the board, so thank you!*

*Answer: This team should help us refine our focus when we look at reductions*

**10. How is the district communicating with schools about their budget?**

*Answer: We've shared in Board meetings, we have a meeting with principals and we'll give them as much information as we can or have. It's a "we think".*

**11. What's the plan for the return of textbooks and teacher classroom sets?**

*Answer: We will have a closeout processes plan for textbooks, athletics, musical instruments, even though it's not a priority. It's going to be a part of our reentry process, how we close out this year and how we plan for summer and for return of fall.*

**12. Is the district able to incentivize any early retirements in lieu of layoffs?**

*Answer: That is also a negotiated item, sometimes there are reasons to do that sometimes there are not.*

**13. Do you intend CBRC to be involved with budget amendments?**

*Answer: The intent of CBRC is to end at the adoption, but certainly, we'll make sure you hear the results at the end, but the amendments, it depends on whether it goes to the board. For sure there will be a public announcement.*

**END of Q & A**

*\* Vice chair Thomas, would like for CBRC, if there are changes in the budget, to be reached out to be informed of any changes instead of hearing it through the media.*

### 3. Proposed Budget Process Update presentation

Cynthia Le went over key dates and reminded everyone that she had sent over the local option levy information, and staffing ratios that would normally be sent out around this time