## Maplewood Richmond Heights School District

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Board Briefs for June 15, 2023:

The MRH Board of Education held two meetings on June 15, 2023. The first meeting was a special budget work session. The second meeting was the regular monthly gathering.

The annual budget workshop (discussion only; action expected on June 29) provided a comprehensive overview of the budget, including the projected revenues and expenses for the upcoming fiscal year. The figures delivered by Chief Financial Officer Chris Hoelzer outlined the financial status at the beginning of the budget cycle, projected revenues, planned expenses, and the estimated fund balance at the end of the cycle.

- Beginning Operating Fund Balances (General, Teachers, Capital Projects non-bond issue): \$11,202,225
- Total Budgeted Operating Revenue: \$25,764,635
- Total Budgeted Operating Expenses: \$27,537,760
- Ending Operating Fund Balance: \$9,429,100
- Operating Ending Fund Balance as a % of Expenditures (General, Teachers, Capital Projects non-bond issue): 34.2%

The full budget session may be viewed via YouTube.

The District's 5-year strategic plan gained final approval following nearly a year of development by staff and community stakeholders in collaboration with Insight Education Group. The full plan, titled "Honoring Our History, Shaping Our Future," will be posted on the MRH website. The plan contains revised statements of Mission and Vision, spells out core values and outlines goals and strategies in five areas of emphasis: students, health/wellbeing, people, resources and community.

Board members received a first look at proposed 2023-2024 school bus routes for all buildings, as presented by Operations Director Dr. Michael Dittrich. Proposed routes can be found on the MRH website. The Board will vote on the routes at a subsequent meeting.

Athletics Director Rashaad Davenport presented a plan to enter into a cooperative agreement with University City Schools to add football and boys' and girls' swimming/diving for the 2023-2024 school year. Mr. Davenport also outlined a plan to add boys' volleyball and girls' wrestling. The total budget impact for the full plan is \$8,308. The Board approved the proposal.

The full regular session may be viewed via YouTube.