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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
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The vote at the town meeting on Saturday March 9 resulted in a final budget of \$12,679,674. This will result in looking for areas of the SAU presented budget to reduce cost in the amount of \$82,289. With pending retirements not official yet, I will be working with the staff to present recommendations for the board to consider in regard to this dollar figure.

I have completed a study of the current budget. Due to unanticipated increased cost in special education along with four maternity leaves, we are experiencing a possible budget shortfall. For the time being, I have created spread sheets for each of the schools that include the accounts that they can draw from for school supplies, graduation expenses, and materials to ensure that student needs are met throughout the remainder of the school year. All purchases are cleared through my office prior to budget requests being created. There will be a proposal to release funds from the Special Education trust fund in the agenda for this meeting.

The WLCTA has informed the SAU that they will be advancing their grievance in regard to the calendar to level 4 which is arbitration in accordance with Article VII F (4) of the collective bargaining agreement. I have contacted our legal counsel and we will be looking to find a mutually agreed upon arbitrator. In accordance with the CBA, I have contacted our legal counsel to get a list of arbitrators for the WLCTA representative to consider. The process will move forward from there. The negotiation committee can act as the representatives to the board if the board approves them to do so.

The hiring process for new staff is about to begin. I will be directing the Principals to review materials that have been turned in and to begin the process as early as possible. There is the potential for some additional retirements that have not been formally announced yet. If they come to fruition, we will post those positions as quickly as possible. A nomination list will be coming to the school board at the first board meeting in April. Any certified staff person who will not be on the nomination list must be informed prior to April 15. It will be the goal of the administrative staff to have all positions brought to the board for their approval by the first board meeting in June.

Currently the teaching positions that are open include:

- A classroom teacher at FRES
- A middle school math teacher
- A middle school science teacher
- A middle school counselor

March 15 is the Southwest Superintendent's meeting in Henniker and March 22, is the statewide Superintendent's meeting in Concord.