



Public Budget Forums

Budget Forums held to present possible budget reductions options and receive feedback. Open for staff, parents and community members.

As of December 14, 2009, Farmington Public Schools' projected revenue shortfall for the 2010-2011 school year is approximately \$18 million with no further loss in funding.

In order to share as much information as possible, the District will be hosting three **identical** Public Budget Forums. The Forums will address possible budget reductions for the 2010 – 2011 school year. Attendees will be asked to fill out a feedback form. All of the information will be posted on the District's web site along with the link to the electronic survey. All of the input and questions will be compiled and shared with the Board of Education. A Q&A document will also be posted on the District's web site.

Superintendent Sue Zurvalec will open each Budget Forum with a school funding presentation, attendees will then be able to choose from six information sessions: Athletics, District Instructional Services; Elementary Programming; Human Resources; Secondary Programming; and Support Services. These sessions will be presented three times at each forum.

"No decisions have been made on any reductions; this is why we have a process in place for input. The Board of Education will not be making any decisions on reductions without considering feedback information," stated Superintendent Sue Zurvalec.

Facilities Study Team

Recommendations presented to the Board of Education on January 26.

The Facilities Study Team (FST) is charged to develop a plan and time line for maximizing the use of the District's facilities while maintaining high quality instructional programs and financial efficiency.

FST will present a series of recommendations to the Board of Education addressing the viability and efficient use of the facilities with the intent of improving the District's financial future, while ensuring the community's expectations of excellence for all Farmington Public Schools' students.

The committee is comprised of approximately 30 dedicated residents and has two District representatives and is facilitated by an outside organization that is not affiliated with Farmington Public Schools, but was selected based on their experience helping other districts with similar tasks.

The committee is currently divided into three "teams" tasked to draft "recommendations" to be presented to the committee as a whole. These are only DRAFT recommendations. The draft recommendations will continue to be evaluated, scrutinized, and embellished during the next few weeks until the committee, as a whole, comes to a consensus recommendation.

Meetings are open to the public and all are welcome. All the Committee agendas and meeting minutes can be found on the District's web site at: www.farmington.k12.mi.us/district/committees/facilities_study/

IMPORTANT DATES

2010-2011 Budget

Public Budget Forums

Maxfield Training Center

33000 Thomas Street, Farmington

Present possible budget reductions and receive feedback.

Thursday, January 14 • 7 – 9 p.m.

Thursday, January 21 • 7 – 9 p.m.

Tuesday, January 26 • 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Board of Education Meetings

North Farmington High School

32900 W. 13 Mile Road,

Farmington Hills

Wednesday, February 24 • 7:30 p.m.

Budget Reduction Plan presented.

NO Board action at this meeting.

Tuesday, March 2 • 7:30 p.m.

Authorization to implement 2010-2011 Budget Reduction Plan as presented on February 24.

Facilities Study Team

Board of Education Meetings

North Farmington High School

Tuesday, January 26 • 7:30 p.m.

Presentation of Facilities Study Team recommendations.

NO Board action at this meeting.

Tuesday, February 16 • 7:30 p.m.

Board vote on Facilities Study Team recommendations.

Public Forum

North Farmington High School

Tuesday, February 2 • 7 – 9 p.m.

Facilities Study Team to present recommendations and receive feedback.

Special Workshop of the Board of Education

Maxfield Training Center

Tuesday, February 9 • 6 p.m.

Review and discussion of FST recommendations. Open to the public and cablecast LIVE on TV-10.