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Memo:

To: Stockbridge Selectboard and Rochester/Stockbridge School District Board of Directors

From: Jamie Kinnarney, Superintendent of Schools, WRVSU and Tara Weatherell, Business Manager, WRVSU

Date: Wednesday, January 6, 2021

Subject: Pertinent Budget Information for Towns of Rochester/Stockbridge regarding upcoming vote to decouple merger

You will find several tax sheets included in this document that should serve to provide the following information:

- RSUD 20-21 Budgeted Expenditures, Revenues, Per Pupil Spending, and Tax Rates for Stockbridge and Rochester
- Stockbridge 20-21 Projected Expenditures, Revenues, Per Pupil Spending, and Tax Rate for Stockbridge as a singleton district
- Stockbridge 20-21 Projected Expenditures, Revenues, Per Pupil Spending, and Tax Rate for Stockbridge as a singleton school district and under the excess spending threshold
- Stockbridge 20-21 Projected Expenditures, Revenues, Per Pupil Spending, and Tax Rate for Stockbridge as a singleton school district with PreK-12 choice
- Rochester 20-21 Projected Expenditures, Revenues, Per Pupil Spending, and Tax Rate for Rochester as a singleton district

These figures were derived from the current budgeted faculty/staff in each building, and by identifying the location codes within the current 20-21 Rochester/Stockbridge Budget. The S.U. and Special Education assessments were also adjusted based on the algorithm used to assess the annual WRVSU budget. For this exercise Stockbridge was assessed at 4.6% and Rochester 6.5%.

The revenue was apportioned out based on what each respective school is receiving from tuition, grants local/state/federal and other budgeted revenue from things such as rentals, etc.

You will note that we also provided a draft budget figure to ensure that Stockbridge as a singleton district and under the penalty threshold was projected. This would result in a required net decrease of 3.5 FTEs from current staffing levels to ensure we remain under the excess spending threshold.

Finally, you will note that the Stockbridge singleton district projection doesn't include excess spending penalties because that penalty is eliminated when a district moves to complete choice. The budgeted expenses arrived in this model were based on current tuitions and budgeting for an additional 6 prek and 40 elementary tuitions to four local area districts (based on current enrollment).

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District	Total Expenses	Per Pupil Spending	Tax Rate
Rochester/Stockbridge	\$4,371,950	\$18,755.54	Rochester:1.5155 Stockbridge:1.6538
Stockbridge	\$1,877,529	\$25,660.47 *includes penalty	2.3170
Stockbridge complete choice PreK-12	\$1,511,450	\$19,802.77 *no penalty	1.7881
Stockbridge under the excess spending threshold	\$ 1,607,513 (decrease of current expenditures by \$270,016) <u>*This would result in a reduction of approximately 3.5 FTEs from current 20-21 staffing levels</u>	\$18,756.00 *no penalty	1.6935
Rochester	\$2,536,048	\$ 21,250.36 *includes penalty	1.7583