Quakertown Community School District

2021-22 Budget

Fiscal Starting Point – June 30, 2020 Fund Balance = \$26,835,690 (audited balance) Fiscal Year 2020/21:

The 20/21 fiscal year General Fund Budget was prepared during the COVID-19 pandemic. Therefore, the budget estimates were prepared in an even more conservative manner than usual. Local revenues were estimated to be lower than historical trends. The operating deficit (before budgetary reserve) was budgeted at (\$7,273,775). Currently, the projected operating deficit for 20/21 is calculated to be (\$3,412,016), a difference of \$3,861,759.

Local revenue collections have been higher than originally anticipated, especially in the areas of property tax collection and earned income tax revenues. Expenditures are projected to be lower than budgeted, mostly in the areas of salaries and benefits due to attritional savings. Charter school tuition is projected to be approximately \$1.7 million higher in 20/21 as compared to 19/20. The increase is mostly in cyber charter school tuition, not brick and mortar charter school tuition. The District was able to save approximately \$319,000 in debt service in 20/21 due to the refunding of five existing debt issues. Approximately \$2,000,000 of total expenditures are attributed to the use of the funds that were received in a prior year due to the sale of two of our school buildings. These funds were used as part of the Neidig Elementary renovation project. Excluding this expenditure, the operating deficit in 20/21 is projected to be approximately \$1.4 million.

'Heat Map Projections' – Best Case, Worst Case and Most Likely scenarios used in 20/21 Budget Preparation for Key Revenue Elements:

	'Heat Map Projections'									
Revenue Category	Best Case		Most Likely		Worst Case		20/21 Budget		20/21 Projection	
Current Real Estate	\$	67,168,106	\$	66,371,646	\$	63,577,051	\$	66,414,823	\$	67,661,980
Interim Real Estate		378,321		226,993		75,664		226,993		598,968
Earned Income Tax		10,732,907		10,171,166		9,609,424		10,171,166		10,655,975
Real Estate Transfer Tax		1,132,454		827,630		461,841		827,630		1,053,674
Delinquent Taxes		1,941,775		1,618,146		1,294,517		1,618,146		1,300,260
Interest Earnings		650,000		325,000		-		325,000		84,717
Basic Education Subsidy		10,543,888		10,543,888		8,940,680		10,543,888		10,543,732
	\$	92,547,451	\$	90,084,469	\$	83,959,177	\$	90,127,646	\$	91,899,306

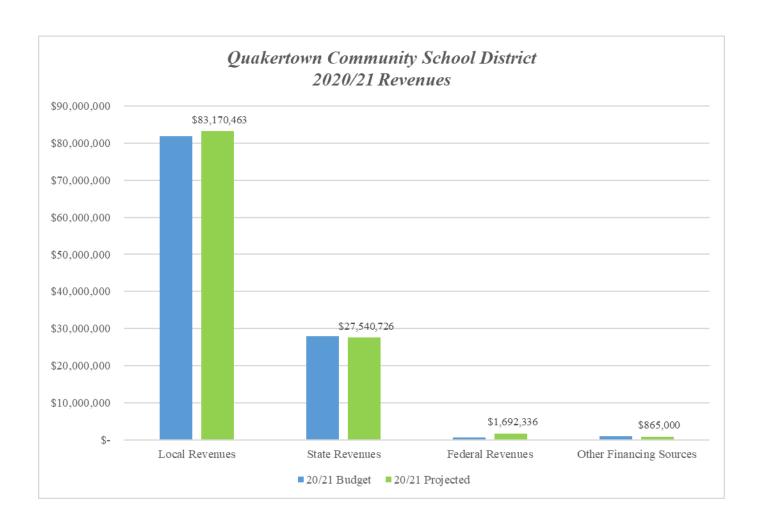
Most revenues on the heat map are projected to be between the 'most likely' and 'best case' projections, excluding interest earnings and delinquent taxes. Current and interim real estate taxes are projected to be higher than the 'best case' scenario. This is due to a higher than expected collection rate of current taxes and some successful assessment appeals.

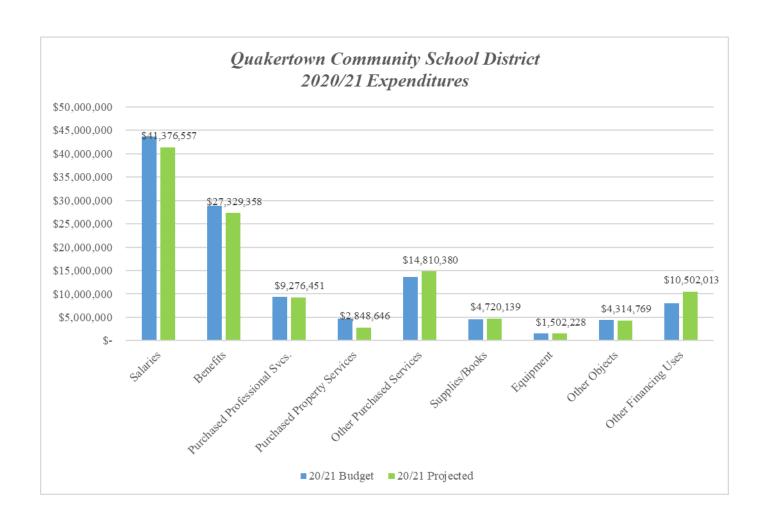
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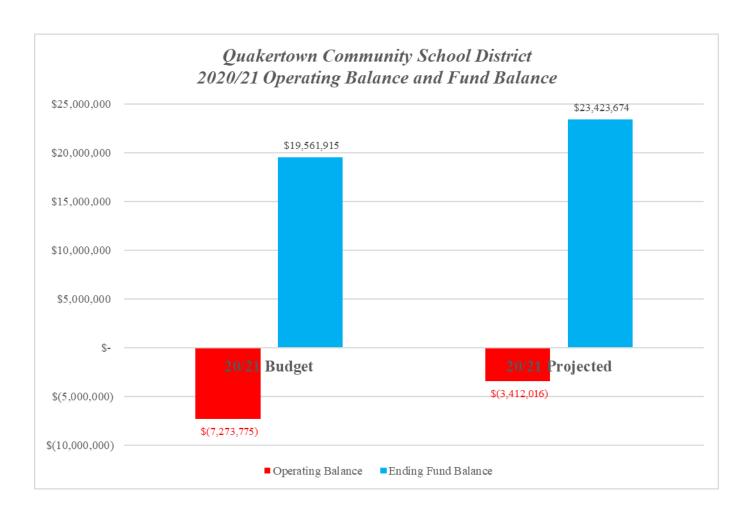
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Beginning Fund Balance, July	\$26,835,690			
	Budget 20/21	Projected 20/21	Difference	
Local Revenues	81,857,810	83,170,463	1,312,653	
State Revenues	28,015,530	27,540,726	(474,804)	
Federal Revenues	680,000	1,692,336	1,012,336	
Other Financing Sources	1,045,000	865,000	(180,000)	
Total Revenues	111,598,340	113,268,525	1,670,185	
Salaries	43,727,723	41,376,557	(2,351,166)	
Benefits	28,813,774	27,329,358	(1,484,416)	
Purchased Professional Svcs.	9,339,284	9,276,451	(62,833)	
Purchased Property Services	4,740,989	2,848,646	(1,892,343)	
Other Purchased Services	13,569,813	14,810,380	1,240,567	
Supplies/Books	4,604,401	4,720,139	115,738	
Equipment	1,572,575	1,502,228	(70,347)	
Other Objects	4,456,556	4,314,769	(141,787)	
Other Financing Uses	8,047,000	10,502,013	2,455,013	
Total Expenditures	118,872,115	116,680,541	(2,191,574)	
Operating Balance	\$ (7,273,775)	\$ (3,412,016)		
Budgetary Reserve	1,200,000			
Ending Fund Balance	\$ 19,561,91 <u>5</u>	\$ 23,423,674		

Note: The 2020/21 budget had a 0% millage increase for property taxes.







Local Property Taxes:

The 20/21 General Fund Budget was approved with a zero percent property tax increase. The millage rate was held steady at the 19/20 level at 168.8308. The Act 1 index, as adjusted, was 3.0% for the Quakertown Community School District. The maximum millage rate that could have been approved was 173.8957. The following chart illustrates the difference in revenues and operating balance using three scenarios. The current operating deficit for 20/21 is projected to be (\$3,412,016). Had the full Act 1 index increase been enacted, the operating deficit for 20/21 would be projected to be (\$1,309,388).

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Local Revenues		34,227,392		5,273,091		83,170,463
State Revenues	2	27,540,726		7,540,726		27,540,726
Federal Revenues		1,692,336		1,692,336		1,692,336
Other Financing Sources		865,000		865,000		865,000
Total Revenues	11	4,325,454	11	5,371,153		113,268,525
Salaries	۷	11,376,557	4	1,376,557		41,376,557
Benefits	2	27,329,358	2	7,329,358		27,329,358
Purchased Professional Svcs.		9,276,451		9,276,451		9,276,451
Purchased Property Services		2,848,646		2,848,646		2,848,646
Other Purchased Services	1	4,810,380	1	4,810,380		14,810,380
Supplies/Books		4,720,139		4,720,139		4,720,139
Equipment		1,502,228		1,502,228		1,502,228
Other Objects		4,314,769		4,314,769		4,314,769
Other Financing Uses	1	0,502,013		0,502,013		10,502,013
Total Expenditures	11	6,680,541	11	6,680,541		116,680,541
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Operating Balance	\$	(2,355,087)	\$ (1,309,388)	\$	(3,412,016)
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Ending Fund Balance	\$ 2	24,480,603	\$ 2	5,526,302	\$	23,423,674
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Average Monthly Expenses	\$	9,723,378	\$	9,723,378	\$	9,723,378
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Fund Balance/Average Monthly	,	2.5		2.6		2.4
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Expenses						

Scenario #1 - 2020/21 Millage Increase of 1.5%, net collection rate of 96.8% Scenario #2 - 2020/21 Millage Increase of 3%, net collection rate of 96.8%. (Full Act 1)

