# COPIAGUE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

# **BUDGET WORK SESSION**



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### What is fund balance? The district's savings account

Two components of fund balance:	Actual July 2014	Forecast July 2015	Forecast July 2016
I. RESTRICTED for particular purpose	<u>Balances</u>	<u>Balances</u>	Balances
Reserves for <i>"rainy days"</i> :			
Retirement System (ERS premiums only)     Add: proposed Transfer from Insurance Reserve	395,975	975 <u>107,837</u>	
Retirement System Revised Total		108,812	0
<ul> <li>Insurance: (Property casualty/liability loss)</li> </ul>	107,837	0	0
<ul> <li>Building Repairs (closed June 2013)</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>Workers' Compensation Claims:</li> <li>district is self funded (closed November 2014)</li> </ul>	154,274	274	0
Unemployment Claims	57,474	36,174	0
<ul> <li>EBLAR Liability - Future Retiree Expense (Employee benefit accrued liability reserve)</li> </ul>	<u>3,134,161</u>	<u>2,984,161</u>	<u>2,900,000</u>
TOTAL RESTRICTED FUND BALANCE	3,849,721	3,129,421	2,900,000

	Actual	Forecast	Forecast
	July 2014	July 2015	July 2016
II. UNRESERVED or	<b>Balances</b>	<u>Balances</u>	<u>Balances</u>
unrestricted to allow for as-needed or emergency use			
- Use to supplement revenue budget			
(Effect is to Reduce tax rate increase due to loss of othe	er revenue – i.e: si	tate aid, etc)	
** Total UNRESERVED fund balance	588,860	500,000	500,000
- Tighter budgets unable to replenish FB			
Total <b>RESTRICTED</b> fund balance	3,849,721	3,129,421	2,900,000
- Six accounts mentioned previously			
- Use up restricted funds to supplement loss in Unreserv	ved FB		
TOTAL FUND BALANCE PROJECTION	4,438,581	3,629,421	3,400,000

\*\* Forecasted Unreserved Balance are amounts <u>After</u> \$1,000,000 transfer to following year budget as revenue

#### **Review of Planned Multi-Year Spend Down**

<b>Restricted Reserves</b>	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
ERS	1,263,000	2,069,000	1,990,000	1,195,000	396,000	* 108,000
Insurance (Disability)	142,000	143,000	-	-		
Repairs	94,000	94,000	94,000	-	111111-1	
Insurance (Property)	128,000	128,000	107,000	108,000	108,000	
Workers' Compensation	253,000	604,000	554,000	354,000	154,000	
Unemployment		200,000	201,000	121,000	57,000	* 36,000
EBLAR	6,376,000	5,039,000	3,796,000	3,381,000	3,134,000	2,984,000

 TOTAL RESTRICTED
 8,256,000
 8,277,000
 6,742,000
 5,159,000
 3,849,000
 3,128,000

 \* ERS and Unemployment (\$108,000 & \$36,000) would be available to transfer for 2015 – 2016

 From 2010 our Restricted Reserves have decreased from \$8,256,000 to \$3,128,000 (↓ \$5,128,000)

### Impact of Tighter Budgets that are not Replenishing Reserves

							Estimated
	UNRESTRICTED FB	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015
	Transfer (Appropriated)	4,307,000	4,171,000	3,912,000	3,035,000	2,500,000	1,000,000
1	Unappropriated (Saved)	7,369,000	4,512,000	4,132,000	<u>1,430,000</u>	589,000	500,000
	TOTAL UNRESTRICTED	11,676,000	8,683,000	8,044,000	4,465,000	3,089,000	1,500,000
	Note: Unappropriated FB						
	4% Maximum Allowed by Law	4,020,000	4,076,000	4,136,000	4,276,000	4,385,000	

#### Impact of Budget Tightening on Fund Balance:

- Revenue supplement from FB transfer is declining planned for but time has run out for 2015-16 Budget.
  State Aid not keeping pace with cost increases in Pensions (ERS & TRS) and Health Insurance.
- •Tax Levy Cap 3 year average is 2.62% (2.41, 3.84, 1.62) has reduced the amount raised thru taxes.
- •Assessed Values (tax base) continued to decline until 2014-15.
- •Lower revenue adds pressure to reduce expense budget to stay within Tax Cap.
- •Fund Balance used to keep staffing and programming intact (while enrollment grows).

From 2010 our Unrestricted FB of \$11,676,000 has been reduced to \$1,500,000 estimated for 2015-16 (drop of \$10,176,000 in 6 years)

BUDGET EXPENSE TREND							
	2009-10		2011-12	2012-13	2013-14	2014-15	
Budget Amount	100,644,451	100,507,857 1	01,902,840 <sup>-</sup>	103,394,622	106,910,556 1	09,618,073	
Increase <decrease></decrease>	2,394,033	(136,594)	1,394,983	1,491,782	3,515,934	2,707,517	
Percent Change	2.44%	-0.136%	1.39%	1.46%	3.40%	2.53%	
Six Year Ave Increase	rage Budget					1.85%	

#### FUND BALANCE CHANGE - IMPACT on 2015-16 Budget & Beyond

RESTRICTED FB decrease from 2014-15 to 2015-16	\$ (426,000)
UNRESTRICTED FB decrease from 2014-15 to 2015-16	 <u>(1,500,000)</u>
Total FB not available (Decrease) for 2015-16 Budget	\$ (1,926,000)

#### **FUTURE BUDGETS (In General)**

Must be developed to Balance Expense with Revenue (Not Fund Balance)

Recognize that Cap on Taxes may be here to stay

Look for/expand Revenue Sources (Medicaid, Grants etc)

Continue Cost Containment & Reduction Efforts(shared services, self funding etc)