Attachment 7.9

BOARD ACTION REQUEST FORM (BAR)
FENTON AREA PUBLIC SCHOOLS
June 17, 2025

ITEM: Motion to Approve Preliminary Budget for 2025-26

AGENDA LOCATION: Action item

ADMINISTRATOR SUBMITTING ITEM: Dr. Douglas M. Busch

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: This board resolution requests approval for the 2025-26 General Fund Budget . A memo outlining revenues and expenditure factors is attached. The 2025-26 budget will have a traditional amendment in November, 2025.

Note: As of June 10, 2025, the State School Aid bill has not been finalized by the legislature. The district will amend this budget following the completion of the State School Aid Bill and final Fall 2025 pupil count. A cash flow analysis has been completed and there is no need for borrowing due to State Aid timing shortfalls. This marks the seventh year in a row the district has not had to borrow for cash flow purposes.

POLICY REFERENCE NUMBER: None

ATTACHMENTS: 2025-26 General Fund Budget Summary

RECOMMENDED ACTION: I resolve that the Fenton Area Public Schools Board of Education approve the 2025-26 preliminary general fund operating budget as presented with the following revenues and expenditures:

Total Revenues of:	$44,457,525
Total Expenditures of:	$44,437,213
Surplus / (Deficit):	$20,312
Projected Fund Balance as of June 30, 2025:	$10,284,449
Fund Balance as a Percentage of Expense:	23.13%
Fund Balance as a Percentage of Revenue:	23.14%

Fenton Area Public Schools

To: Fenton Area Public Schools Board of Education

From: Dr. Douglas M. Busch-Executive Director of Finance and Personnel

Date: June 17, 2025

Re: Preliminary Budget 2025-26 School Year

Factors impacting the 2025-26 budget are listed below.

Revenue

- Increase of $400 per pupil for 2025-26 based on the Executive and Senate preliminary budget and information from the May 2025 Consensus Revenue Estimating Conference (CREC).
- MPSERS offset payments retained.
- Carryover of 31a at State funded At Risk grant funding.
- Carryover of school safety grants.
- Projected decrease of 55 students from Fall 2024 to Fall 2025.
- Retention of $38,088 in State Aid Early Literacy Funds
- Retention of $177,966 in State Aid Transportation Assistance
- Current levels of funding for major grants such as Federal Special Education, Title I and State At Risk Programs.
- Current levels of funding for teacher training funded by Federal Title II allocation. However, programming will not take place until funding is secured.
- Sale of Rose Township property to general fund for additional investment revenue.

Expense

- Curriculum budget retained at $250,000.
- Reduction of four teaching staff by attrition.
- Bargained increase of one step and two total percent for teaching staff.
- Increase of two percent for support and administrative staff.
- Increased insurance costs for staff, property and liability.
- No state aid borrowing interest costs.

2025-26 General Fund Budget Summary				
Revenue				
Total 100 Local	Local 1xx	8,003,714		
Total 200 Local Grant	Local Grant 2xx	61,904		
Total 300 State Revenue	State Revenue 3xx	32,659,922		
Total 400 Federal Revenue	Federal Revenue 4xx	1,506,799		
Total 500 Inter District	Intra District 5xx	2,144,486		
Total 500 Transfer	Transfers 6xx	80,700		
Total		**44,457,525**		
Expense				
Total 100 Instruction	Instruction 1xx	26,685,833		
Total 200 Supporting Services	Other Support Services 2xx	16,965,857		
Total 300 Community Services	Community Service 3xx	41,729		
Total 400 Transfers	Transfers 4xx	680,452		
Total 500 Issuance Cost	Issuance Cost 5xx			
Total 600 Fund Modification	Fund Modification 6xx	63,342		
Total		**44,437,213**		
Surplus / (Deficit)		20,312		
Fund Balance		10,264,137		
Projected Fund Balance as of 6.30.2026		10,284,449		
Fund Balance as a % of Revenue		23.13%		
Fund Balance as a % of Expense		23.14%		