Regional School District #14 Budget Workshop #2 Board Questions and Responses March 21, 2022

What textbooks specifically are requested and if any are the new classes or curriculum/electives that will be proposed to the board for this budget.

The Illustrative Mathematics: Geometry Student Edition and the Illustrative Mathematics Teachers Guide – Geometry to expand upon the Illustrative Mathematics for Algebra introduced for 9<sup>th</sup> grade during this current year.

The Illustrative Mathematics for Elementary Teachers Guide – to start at the K-5 level for Math Program

## **Biology**

Current book used Biology, Exploring Life (2003)

Proposed if approved - Biology, Concepts and Connections (10th Edition, 2021) – The New book has updated online resources and is linked to NGSS standards. This would be a good fit for the Honors students

A proposed new music elective – Essential Elements for Guitar

In reference to materials provided from Budget Workshop #1:

On page 13, 600, Capital reserve is proposed \$0 for the upcoming year. It's been my understanding that we need a placeholder (\$100) to perform any capital reserve projects at the end of the year with excess money that may go to capital reserve account. Yes there should be a budget placeholder of \$100 entered into the budget.

BES, page 16, We are keeping the same number of classrooms but we are saving (55,465) in teachers for 22-23? A teacher was hired in September 2021 to replace a retirement teacher. This information was received after the 21-22 budget had been passed and adopted.

MES, page 18 shows 18 K-5 classes while page 19 shows 17 FTE teachers, Do we need 18 FTEs? All the Pre – K teachers are included as part of the Student Services FTE.

NHS, page 29, increase of \$31k to repair and maintenance budget? Increased cost for Alarm system, Intercom and Camera maintenance as those become the Districts responsibility as of July 1.

District Wide, page 37, Increase of other Purch. Services +\$300k? These represent the increases from the Technology budget, detail provided from Budget Workshop #1