

EDMONTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

January 30, 2001

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: E. Dosedall, Superintendent of Schools

SUBJECT: Establishment of the 2001-2002 Budget Planning Base

ORIGINATOR: G. Reynolds, Department Head

RESOURCE

STAFF: Mary-Ellen Deising, Dean Power, Eila Stenberg

RECOMMENDATION

That the following planning base for the preparation of the 2001-02 operating budget be approved:

	2000-01 Proposed	2000-01 Actual/Revised	2001-02 Proposed
a) allocations to schools	\$ 347,000,000	\$ 366,700,000	\$ 377,200,000
b) institutions	\$ 16,900,000	\$ 17,300,000	\$ 17,300,000
c) utilities	\$ 11,400,000	\$ 15,300,000	\$ 11,700,000
d) debt services	\$ 36,900,000	\$ 36,900,000	\$ 36,900,000
e) transportation	\$ 16,400,000	\$ 17,200,000	\$ 17,700,000
f) Continuing Education Services	\$ 7,700,000	\$ 8,500,000	\$ 8,600,000
g) professional improvement leaves	\$ 1,300,000	\$ 1,300,000	\$ 1,300,000
h) supply services	\$ 4,500,000	\$ 4,800,000	\$ 4,800,000
i) allocations to central	\$ 30,600,000	\$ 33,100,000	\$ 33,350,000
j) School Generated Funds	\$ 18,100,000	\$ 19,700,000	\$ 19,700,000
k) Expenses Financed Externally	\$ 4,100,000	\$ 4,600,000	\$ 4,800,000
TOTAL	\$ 494,900,000	\$ 525,400,000	\$ 533,350,000
Enrolment	81,400	80,800	81,400

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Revenues

In establishing the planning base for 2000-2001, the revenue forecast was \$495,021,000. The present revenue projection for 2000-2001 is \$525,450,000, an increase of \$30 million. This increase takes into account the Budget announcement in February 2000, which increased funding by an additional 1 per cent. As well there is increased or additional revenue resulting from the early payment of the 2001-2002 technology grant, recognition of funds for the Alberta Initiative for School Improvement, increase in funding for ECS to half time as well as funding for operations and maintenance and administration and additional funding to support the increasing energy costs.

The 2001-2002 revenue forecast is set at \$529,771,000 and reflects a 3 per cent increase in the majority of the funding categories and a 0.59 per cent enrolment increase. This increase has been partly offset by the lack of technology funding for 2001-2002 and the one time nature of the support for energy costs. In addition to the revenue forecast, the district's surplus from 1999-2000 of \$3.6 million brings the total planning base for the preparation of the 2001-2002 operating budget to \$533,371,000.

Allocations

The \$377.2 million recommended for schools is an increase of \$30.2 million or 8.7 per cent over the allocation amount approved in January 2000, and an increase of \$10.5 million or 2.8 per cent over the actual allocation schools received in September 2000.

The proposed allocation to central (including Professional Improvement Leaves and Supply Services) represents a \$3.05 million or 8.3 per cent increase over the amount approved in January 2000, and a \$0.25 million or 0.6 per cent increase in central allocations over the September 2000 actual. An amount of \$1.7 million that was included in the actual 2000-2001 allocation to central was for "one-time" only projects. To maximize the funding to schools, this \$1.7 million will be redirected to other priorities, thus keeping the total increase to central to \$0.25 million.

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