

# WCUSD#15 DISTRICT VISION COMMITTEE

**JANUARY 8, 2017  
6:30 WJHS Cafeteria**





## Mission Statement

“It is the mission of the Schools in Williamsville and Sherman to **challenge and inspire every student** to actively take part in a lifetime quest of knowledge and development of integrity to reach their potential as productive members of society.”



# District Vision Committee Meeting Outline

## December 11, 2017

- Introductions
- District Financial History - Revenue - PTELL
- Open Conversation & Input 5-10-20 years

## January 8, 2018

- County Sales Tax
- Current Financial Report
- Open Conversation & Input 5-10-20 years

## February 12, 2018

- DESEB Referendum (Debt Service Extension Base)
- Facilities Study Report
- Current Financial Report

Open Conversation & Input 5-10-10 years

## March 12, 2018

- Facilities Study Report
- Bond and Debt
- Building Bond Referendum
- Timing of Referendums
- Current Financial Report
- Open Conversation & Input 5-10-20 years



# District Vision Committee Meeting Outline

## April 9, 2018

- Limiting Rate Referendum
- Timing of Referendums
- Current Financial Report
- Open Conversation & Input 5-10-20 years

## May 14, 2018

- Current Financial Report
- Prioritize Open Conversation & Input 5-10-20 years
- Timing of Referendums
- Discuss Referendum Options

## June 11, 2018

- Current Financial Report
- Prioritize Open Conversation & Input 5-10-20 years
- Discuss Referendum Options
- Break for Summer

## July-Aug, 2018 - TBD



# AGENDA 1-8-18

1. Welcome and the purpose of the committee
2. Introduction Activity
3. Financial Update & County Sales Tax
4. Open conversation and input 5-10-20 years
5. Next meeting February 12, 2018 6:30 WJHS  
Cafeteria



# PURPOSE OF THE DISTRICT VISION COMMITTEE

1. Create a bridge between the community and the district
2. Educate and communicate the state of the district
3. Seek input regarding facilities needs, wants, and wishes
4. Seek input regarding long term financial needs, wants, and wishes
5. Provide input to the Board of Education for developing long range financial and facilities plans and goals
6. Possibly organize a future referendum team



# Milestones



At your table, you will find several pennies.

Examine the years on the penny and find a year that a memorable event that happened

The event can be from you personally or from family.

If you can't find a year that works for you, feel free to go to another table and find one that does.

Share with your new tablemates!

# District Financial History



## Factors Affecting the Budget

- Property Tax Extension Limitation Law - PTELL Tax Caps
- Tax Increment Financing Districts - TIFS
- State Budget Lack Of and Prorated Funding
- SB 1947 & New Evidence Based Funding Model
- Health Insurance Premiums
- General State Aid
- Special Education Costs
- Contractual Obligations (Salaries & Benefits)
- Unexpected and Emergency Expenses (ie: roofs, boilers, HVAC systems)
- Enrollment and Staffing



# District Financial History

## Financial Forecasting

- County Facilities Sales Tax
- Limiting Rate Referendum
- Debt Service Extension Referendum
- PTELL Tax Caps
- Estimated EAV Growth
- Enrollment Growth
- District Fee Increases
- Reduction of staff
- Reduction of Programs
- Close Schools



# District Financial History



## What Trends Are Occurring

- Due to lack of a linear revenue stream we have been deficit spending the last 5 fiscal years
- The student growth and enrollment has increased 1.48% over the last 20 years. (15 new students per year)
- The EAV (Equalized Assessed Evaluation) has increased about 4.5% over the past 10 years
- The expenses continued to increase up to this FY18
- The revenue has shown a slight increase over the past 10 years.
- The District has been expected to do more with less revenue.
- The BOE has been good financial stewards to the taxpayer



# District Financial History

## Revenue vs. Expenditures Trend 2007-2017

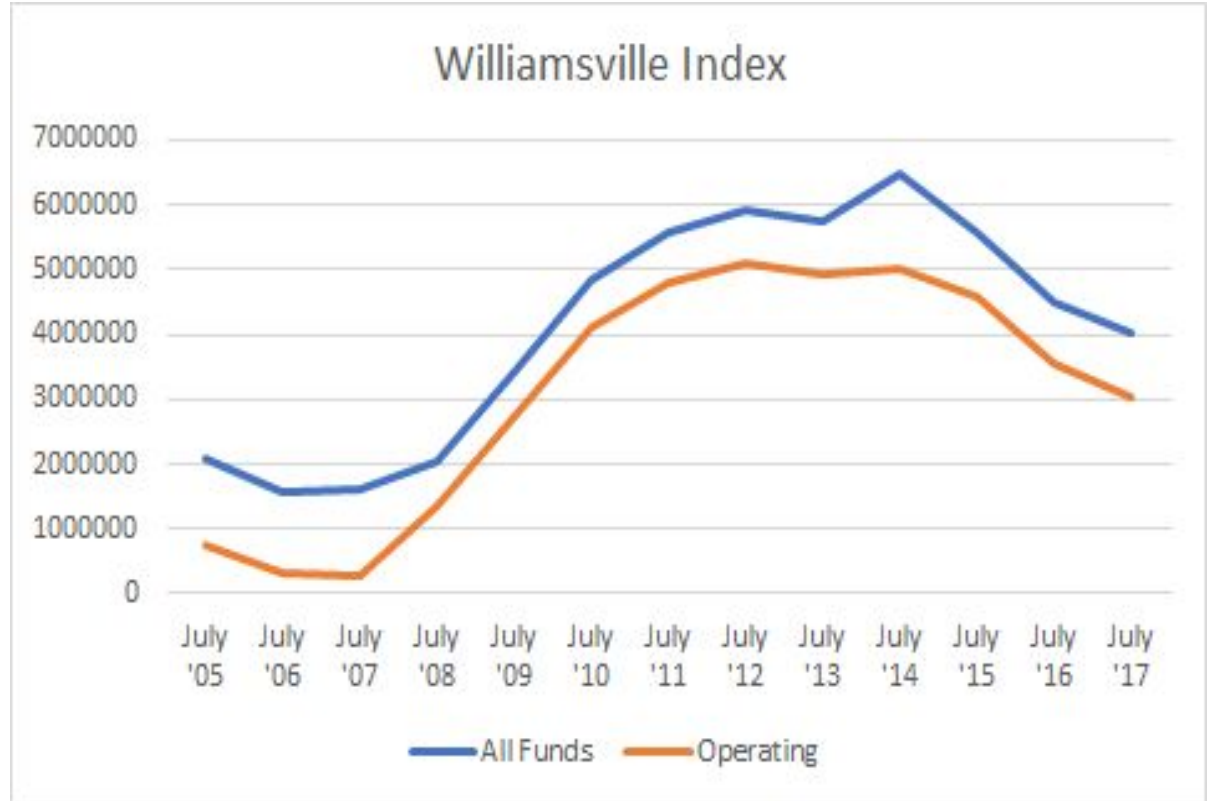




# District Financial History

## WILLIAMSVILLE INDEX

	All Funds	Operating
July '05	2067687	741735
July '06	1568916	299631
July '07	1598968	287368
July '08	2038076	1355066
July '09	3438733	2747628
July '10	4826807	4104817
July '11	5570293	4821866
July '12	5903429	5117479
July '13	5731660	4912422
July '14	6475574	5005118
July '15	5570775	4591184
July '16	4497802	3570966
July '17	4037568	3046726



# District Financial History

## Future BOE Budget Discussion Ideas

- What percentage of operating reserves do we want to keep to start building fund balances?
- Does our spending match the enrollment trends?
- What should multi-year trends indicate to us?
- Does our budget match the BOE and District priorities?
  - Classroom supplies
  - Technology
  - Staffing
  - Facility Upgrades
  - Creating Fund Balances



# Show Working Budget and December 2017 Balance Sheet





# Debt Payment Schedule

2001 Building Bond Referendum \$7.8mil (WJHS & SES Additions)

Capital Appreciation Bonds = Non-Callable

FY18 - \$1,680,000      B&D Tax Rate = \$.94

FY19 - \$1,765,000      B&D Tax Rate = \$.99

FY20 - \$1,850,000      B&D Tax Rate = \$1.04

FY21 - \$1,945,000      B&D Tax Rate = \$1.09

\*B&D Tax Rate based on \$177,856,298 EAV

\*Need to do something by Levy 2019 payable FY2021.

2013 & 2014 Debt Certificates \$1.4 mil (WHS Gym Remodel)

\$175,000 per year until 2024

Annual payment comes from Operating Costs

No revenue stream to pay for Debt Certificates

**\*B&D Tax Rate \$1.09 = Estimated \$25,860,000 borrowing capacity for Building Bond Referendum**

# County School Facility Occupation Tax



- County School Facilities Sales Tax - Penny Sales Tax
- Provides for a referendum on establishing a sales tax of up to 1% in quarter percent increments on sales within the county.
- Must be used for “School Facility Purposes” acquisition, development, construction, reconstruction, improvement, financing, architectural planning, and installation of capital facilities consisting of land, buildings, structures and durable equipment.
- Also includes fire prevention, safety, energy conservation, ADA, security and specified repairs.
- Question can be put on the ballot by resolution(s) passed by the school board(s) representing more than 50% of the students residing in the county.  
(District #186)



# County School Facility Occupation Tax

- Can be used to build new buildings without a direct referendum
- For sales taxes voted before 2012, the County Board may reduce or discontinue the tax by resolution.
- For sales taxes voted after 2011, a referendum is required to reduce or discontinue the tax.
- Tax can not be reduced or discontinued if a district has outstanding bonds secured by the tax and its ability to repay would be adversely affected or would necessitate the extension of property taxes.



# County School Facility Occupation Tax

- Tax is imposed on the same general merchandise base as state sales tax except:
  - Licensed and title vehicles
  - Boats and RV's
  - Unprepared food intended for home consumption
  - Drugs including vitamins and over the counter meds
  - Farm equipment, parts, and inputs like fertilizer and seed, etc..
- It doesn't tax anything that isn't currently taxed



# County School Facility Occupation Tax



- How can the sales tax be spent?
  - Pay for Life/Safety and other approved facility needs on a pay as you go basis.
  - Accumulate funds for future building or facility improvement projects
  - Issue Bonds to pay for facility improvements (Life/Safety, Alternative Revenue Bonds, Debt Certificates, etc)
  - Abate taxes on Bonds issued for the facility improvements
  - Any combination of the above
  - Interest earned on monies in the School Facility Fund may be transferred to the Education or O&M Funds

# County School Facility Occupation Tax

- Items NOT eligible as a School Facility Purpose
  - Buses, trucks, mowers, etc.
  - Computers
  - Moveable equipment
  - Salaries, benefits, utilities, supplies or any other operational costs



# County School Facility Sales Tax

- November 10, 2010 Countywide Sales Tax for School Facilities in Sangamon County failed by 7,914 votes. 31,123 YES to 39,037 NO.
- WCUSD#15 District Failed by 292 votes. 1918 YES to 2,210 NO.
- If the County Sales Tax is passed, WCUSD#15 is estimated to receive \$1,067,654 based on 2016-17 student enrollment of 1,533. (Current enrollment 2017-18 is 1550)





# Vision Second Draft









# Tonight's Objective

1. *Around the room you will find our initial posters from December along with the poster's from teacher's from January 3rd.*
2. *Travel with your tablemates from paper to paper reviewing the different ideas for input for the district vision.*
  - a. ***Take notes on commonalities, themes and ideas that show up on all or at least several posters.***
  - b. ***I would suggest making categories of people, programs and facilities as you take notes***
3. *Create a second top priority draft but this time limit it to a Top 5 ranked from most important at number 1 through number 5*

**Next District Vision Committee Meeting - February 12, 2018 6:30-8:00**



# Creating the Vision: Committee List 1st Draft

- Appropriate staffing=teacher/student ratio to accommodate yearly growth
- Address deferred maintenance issues with all facilities and buildings
- WHS kitchen/cafeteria upgrades - size and improvements
- Fine Arts Auditorium
- Outdoor sports facilities - bleachers, fencing, lights
- Locker room and weight room and storage
- 6th grade and WMS upgrades
- Staff/student ratio in elementary
- Fine Arts Auditorium - multi purpose facility
- Technology
- STEM/Robotics/Variety of programs
- School Security - indoor and outdoor
- Substance Abuse Prevention Programs
- Bus Safety/Monitors
- Facilities - locker rooms, athletics, kitchen



# Creating the Vision: Committee List 1st Draft

- Improve Curriculum - DC courses, Dual Enrollment offerings, Expand Technology, Digitized
- Facilities Improvements - Security and Safety enhancements, Elementary expansion, JH,WHS campus expand footprint
- Partner with local municipalities for creative funding options - intergovernmental agreements/TIF's
- Transportation improvements
- Improve facilities - Auditorium, locker rooms, storage, playgrounds/recess, gym space, kitchen
- Technology - 1:1, smartboards
- Space Efficiency - storage
- More Science - Elementary
- Balance Academics, Athletics, and Arts
- Challenge/support across achievement levels
- Consistent values
- Teacher/student ratio



# Creating the Vision: Committee List 1st Draft

- Updated Facilities/ADA/Room Cafeteria
- Technology in classroom
- STEM
- Improve Fine Arts Facility/Auditorium
- Student/Teacher Ratio
- Maintain AP Class offerings and increase dual enrollment/dual credit classes
- Trades training/medical class program
- Technology 1:1
- Maintain/Update Athletic Complex
- Higher than State Average Test Scores
- Academics - maintain excellent programs & enhance college prep offerings
- Facilities - update cafeteria, incorporate recycling, update/improve WMS HVAC & playground, expand weight room and locker room facilities.
- Safety - install security cameras in buildings and parking lots, employ safety officer/educator, Add counseling staff, fitness and self defense education
- Tech Education - 1:1 computers, increase STEM courses offered
- Community - Continue Vision Committee Expand community outreach
- Staff - Maintain competitive salary & benefits for staff



# Creating the Vision: Committee List 1st Draft

- Facilities - New? Intermediate School?
- Technology - STEM
- Maintaining qualified, experienced, committed, educators, and administration
- Transportation
- Counseling services for all buildings/substance abuse programs
- Athletic Facilities improvements
- Auditorium
- Programs: Elementary Auditorium, Private funded athletic facility - offset training/practice, Educational/Vocational Programs, Continued Curriculum Alignment, Special Education Elementary & Institutional programs, Social/Emotional Learning Standards District Wide
- Funding - Re-Evaluate TIF Agreements
- Facilities - Class size (teacher/student ratio), Middle School, Maintain current structures
- Safety - ADA Concerns, Security Concerns, Bus Monitors
- Technology - Professional Development, Replacement, Utilization



# Creating the Vision: WCUSD#15 Staff List

- More CBE Spec Ed Staff
- Counseling Staff at each building
- WMS Campus Updates
- School Security Interior - Exterior
- Theatre Auditorium
- Community Access
- Professional Development
- Common Spaces
- School Safety
- Update and Upgrade Technology
- Fieldhouse and storage
- Tech Ed Course Offerings work study programs
- Fine Arts Auditorium
- Safe Room for students in need
- More Counselors/Social Workers per building for social emotional skills
- More exposure involvement with cultural diversity outside of local community
- Exterior or Security Increased
- Student teacher/ratio
- Dedicated Lab STEM
- New Fine Arts Facilities
- Upper Education/Dual Credit Dual Enrollment.
- WHS Locker Rooms



# Creating the Vision: WCUSD#15 Staff List



- WHS Cafeteria Remodel
- STEM & Dual Credit
- More Special Ed Teachers
- Technology more chromebooks and smart boards
- Speech communication requirement WHS
- Revise elective class approach in WJHS
- Additional classrooms at WHS
- Re-think security procedures and access to buildings
- Upgrade HVAC WHS
- Upgrade carpet to tile at WHS
- Paper free learning and 1:1
- 1:1 chromebooks and technology
- Change WMS name to WJHS
- Upgrade HVAC each campus
- Smaller and longer class times for AP classes
- AP Science at WJHS
- Drug Testing and security cameras
- Auditorium Field House like Mt. Zion
- Be a desirable locations for quality teachers
- Equip and update classrooms with technology
- Plan for a continued community growth
- Expand post secondary preparation for all students.



# Creating the Vision: WCUSD#15 Staff List

- Enrichment programs at ELEM and Dual Credit at HS
- True Fine Arts Auditorium
- MS/ELEM classrooms outfitted uniformly -sinks cubbies cabinets
- Parking at SES
- Bus arrival time at SES
- Computer Science Program
- WMS building improvements
- Textbooks online resources
- Full time nurse each building
- Add electives at WHS
- Updates at WHS Lockers, HVAC, Bathrooms, Cafeteria
- Technology for lower grade teachers
- Security Cameras
- STEM and STEAM Education
- Fully implement technology standards and more technology for the classroom
- Safety front office sporting events and lockdowns
- Facility expansion = Auditorium, Cafeteria, Field House, Choir Band Rooms
- Facility Maintenance = Bathrooms, carpet WHS, Desks movable furniture
- Curriculum offerings = AP expansion, work study programs
- Professional development for teachers

# Creating the Vision: WCUSD#15 Staff List

- Meeting students social emotional needs
- Full time counselor each building
- Vertical planning by core subject
- Enclosed Athletic Complex
- Smaller class sizes
- Foreign Language at Elementary
- Increase gym space at WMS and SES with seating
- Inside recess gym
- Update classrooms sinks and storage

