



MEMORANDUM

To: Sharon School Board
From: Tara Weatherell, Business Manager
Date: 10/12/2020
Re: Business Manager's Report for 10/13/2020 Board Meeting

FY19 Audit Updates

- All FY19 Audits are completed and available on the SU website

FY20 Fiscal Year End Closure/Wrap Up

- We began the FY20 audit last week and will continue through 10/23

October Reports Due

- 10/2 Special Education Information Sheet Due
- 10/15 Verify/Confirm Tech Center 1st Semester Enrollment
- 10/15 Special Education Service Plan
- 10/15 Retirement Reports for VMERS/VSTRS Due
- 10/15 Grant Reimbursement Report to AOE (monthly)
- 10/15 Creditable Coverage Letters for Medicare Eligible Employees
- 10/23 Workers Compensation Self-Audit due to VSBIT
- 10/31 September 30 941s Due
- 10/31 VT Payroll Quarterly Reports
- 10/31 EPSDT Report Due for 1st Quarter
- 10/31 Unemployment tax wage report due to DOL
- 10/31 Health Care Employer Assessment due to Tax Department

FY20 STAT Books

- All FY20 STAT Books have been submitted to the AOE for review/processing

FY20 Final Special Education Expenditure Report

- Revised report was filed with the AOE on 9/18/2020 difference of \$70,681.17 from the original report

School Food Authority Responsibilities

- We will start conducting our annual site reviews for both breakfast and lunch
- 10/1 Verification of Free & Reduce application process begins
- On Friday, 10/9 the USDA extended the Summer Food Service Program through the end of the current school year 6/30; this means all children will continue to eat for free

CAREs Funding

- CRF Application was submitted 9/2; waiting for review/response from AOE
- We were awarded the \$6,847 from the Summer Food Service Grant that I submitted on behalf of our districts

Efficiency Vermont Grant

- We have been successful in obtaining grants for the HVAC work that needs to be done in order to comply with the COVID 19 requirements for the following buildings:
 - Sharon \$85,000
 - Newton \$54,066
 - Chelsea \$16,180
 - Tunbridge \$5,828
 - Royalton \$202,000
 - Bethel \$26,200
 - Stockbridge \$24,322
 - Rochester \$23,055.40
- These grants were awarded based on proposals that were provided by the contractors that work in the buildings on our systems on a regular basis and in conjunction with our Facilities Team (Great work to them all)

Alternative School Tuition Rates

Independent schools are not required to release their tuition rates in January like the public-schools. In late September we received the tuition rates and the following is the breakdown:

- Maplehill was \$92,000 per year increased to \$102,000
- CHOICE Academy Middle School was \$63,609 increased to \$83,941
- CHOICE Academy High School was \$59,504 increased to \$72,381

- East Valley Academy was \$26,250 for Medicaid eligible students increased to \$47,200. For non-Medicaid eligible students, the tuition was \$30,625 increased to \$81,500

Grant Updates

- The original application and Amendment 1 have been approved; Amendment 2

Discussion Items:

- Announced vs. Allowable Tuition – rebill if the AOE determines our allowed tuition is higher or lower than announced (all or nothing)
- Process for not paying tuition as a result of no residency verification
- Board Stipends upon receipt of W4 forms will be paid 10/30
- Marketing our ancillary benefits (Life & Long-Term Disability) program with Gallagher
- Solar Proposals
 - Encore Updates
 - Green Lantern attached for your review
 - Strafford Energy would also like the opportunity to provide a proposal for consideration