

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL
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REPORT:

Committee Vote: Favorable, 4-0 in favor: Ivey, Taveras, Burroughs, and Medlock
Absent: Harrison

The Education & Work Force Development Committee met on June 27, 2022, to consider the Board of Education's First FY 2022 Financial Review.

Staff gave an overview of the Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) FY 2022 First Financial Review that was transmitted to the Council on June 9, 2022 and approved by the Board on March 24, 2022.

Arian Albear, Legislative Budget & Policy Analyst, Office of Audits & Investigations provided a report on the First Financial Review. The First Financial Review includes budget realignments and transfers between existing major State categories within the FY 2022 Board of Education Approved Budget in the amount of \$28,365,631. Total revenue and expenditures remain at the Board of Education Approved Budget level of \$2,775,176,835.

This FY 2022 Financial Review includes savings from salary lapse that will be redirected towards an early payment of the FY 2023 portion of the Other Post Employee Benefits annual contribution. Other recoveries in salary lapse, utilities, and lease purchases were used to supplement bus driver overtime due to vacancies and custodian overtime to support CIP projects.

Council Members raised concerns regarding teacher vacancies, hiring more Latinos teachers and staff, closing the learning gap since the pandemic, summer meals, and vaccination programs for the student body and five and below Head Start students.

Michael Herbstman, Financial Officer, PGCPS, indicated that the Office of Human Resources presented to the Board, the teacher's vacancy and strategies to fill positions. A copy of the presentation will be provided to the Council Members.

Council Members requested a meeting in the fall with the school system leaders to

discuss the status of our students' learning and the finances that impact our system's ability to help them succeed.

After discussion the Education & Work Force Development Committee voted Favorable 4 – 0 on the Board of Education's First Financial Review.

