RESOLUTION No. 5229

Adopting Budget Principles

RECITALS

A. As part of the work under the Government Finance Officers Association best practices budget framework, the Community Budget Review Committee (CBRC) met six times starting May 2015

Budget Principles

Recommend by CBRC, February 18, 2016

Recommended by Business & Operations Committee

Background

Budgeting principles set forth the ideals that the

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Critically Re Examine Patterns of Spending

Past patterns of spending may no longer be relevant given changing needs of the community and student body. Hence, the budget process should encourage review of past spending decisions and critically change, where necessary. The district should develop and adhere to a program review and sunset process to identify and discontinue programs that are not achieving their objectives or that are simply not as effective as available alternatives.

Provide Every Student with Equitable Access

The district will significantly change its practices in order to achieve and maintain equity for historically underserved populations* in education. Educational equity means raising the achievement of all students while (1) narrowing the gaps between the lowest and highest performing students and (2) eliminating the racial predictability and disproportionality of which student groups occupy the highest and lowest achievement categories. The concept of educational equity goes beyond formal equality – where all students are treated the same – to fostering a barrier free environment where all students have the opportunity to benefit equally. Educational equity benefits all students, and our entire community. All students shall graduate from PPS ready to succeed