

# Preliminary Budget Presentation January 2017

### Moody's Press Release

- Moody's assigns Aa2 Rating on Hempfield SD \$8.9M GO bonds
- Credit Strengths/Potential Future Upgrade
  - Stable financial position with solid reserves
  - Large tax base with above average wealth
  - Significant growth of reserve levels
  - Substantial tax base and economic growth

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- Credit Challenges/Potential Future Downgrade
  - Rising costs for employee benefits
  - Above average pension liability
  - Trend of operating deficits resulting to reserve declines
  - Significant decline in tax base or change in the demographic profile
  - Material increase in debt

### 2017-18 Budget Timeline

- ▶ 1/10/17 School Board Vote on Resolution to Advertise Preliminary Budget
- 1/25/17 Deadline to Publish Preliminary Budget on Form PDE-2028
- 2/14/17 School Board Vote to Adopt Preliminary Budget
- 3/2/17 Deadline to File for Referendum Exceptions
- ▶ 5/09/17 Adopt Final Proposed Budget
- ▶ 6/13/17 Adopt Final Budget

### 2017-18 Budget Discussions State Budget

Estimated PA Revenue Deficit 2016–17: \$500 Million

Estimated PA Budget Deficit 2017–18: \$3 Billion

Governor's Proposed Budget Release: February 7

# 2017-18 Preliminary Budget Development – Trend Basis

- ▶ Wages 2.25%
- > PSERS 32.57%
- Medical cost trend estimate 5%
- Special Education 2015–16 increase 8%
- ▶ Other Costs estimate 1.5%–2% increase
- Subsidies related to Social Security & PSERS calculated 50% state reimbursement
- Other State Subsidies Hold flat with no increase until state budget is adopted

# 2017-18 Preliminary Budget

		2017-18 Prelim Budget	2016-17 Budget	2015-16 Actual
Revenues		120,675,183	115,266,151	111,923,852
	% Tax			
	Increase	5.5	2.4	1.0
	Millage	21.2315	20.1246	19.6530
Expenses		<u>121,169,941</u>	116,706,802	<u>113,187,877</u>
Excess Expenses Over Revenues		(494,758)	<u>(1,440,651)</u>	(1,264,025)

### Revenue Budget – Act 1 Index

≥2016-17 Current Base Millage 20.1246

≥2017–18 Act 1 Index (2.5%) 20.6277

➤ 2017–18 Preliminary Budget Millage (5.5%) 21.2315

## **Preliminary Budget**

# DISCUSSION/QUESTIONS?