

Symmes Valley Local School District, Ohio

Treasurer's Financial Summary and Analysis

August, 2015

GENERAL FUND

	2015	2014	2013
Beginning Balance 8/1	\$2,872,653	\$3,061,620	\$3,114,899
Revenues	1,056,839	1,124,051	959,586
Expenditures	714,087	959,711	774,041
Ending Balance 8/31	<u>\$3,215,405</u>	<u>\$3,225,960</u>	<u>\$3,300,444</u>
Monthly Change	\$342,752	\$164,340	\$185,545
Yearly Change	\$8,321	(\$32,238)	\$96,878

Introduction

A school district's General Fund is its main operating fund containing most of its operational costs and the revenues to support those operations. This is why the emphasis of this financial summary and its comments is the General Fund. A comparative view of three years activity for the General Fund for the month of August is presented above. A summary of August's results, particularly concerning any financial events causing a variance from the normal cash flow cycle, is included below. Any review of the District's should include an understanding of our cash flow cycle. The District receives only State funding during most months of the year and State aid is not enough to cover monthly operational costs, resulting in operating deficits.

General Fund, Cash Flow Results in August 2015

August, 2015 General Fund Revenues were above historical trends. Though it looks like a small decrease in revenues was experienced this month, it is really due to the previous years' revenues be bloated due to debt proceeds of \$145,000. Once the previous year is adjusted for this one time inflow of funds the current years' revenue looks even better. The increase was entirely in property tax revenue, surprising given it was down in April's Settlement. For the year, revenues are down a total of \$94,000, but keep in mind the previous year debt proceeds of \$145,000.

The expenditures are down quite a bit from the previous fiscal year, but that is just a timing related issue. In the current fiscal year, we had three payrolls in July, in 2014 we had the three payrolls in August. Still, I consider this month to be extraordinarily positive considering that the current year includes not only a debt payment for the HB 264 Energy Conservation work, but it also included the final payment be Limbach for the project. Additionally, salaries and purchased services are down a total of \$70,000 and capital expenditures have decreased \$106,000. For the year, total expenditures are down \$134,000. As negative a month that June, 2015, ended up being, I feel very good about how August, 2015, rebounded.

August Summary and Outlook for remaining Fiscal Year

August has historically been a positive month for the District and current year results bears this out. Expenditures for the 2016 school year are less than the 2015 school year, this is not entirely unexpected. In September, we should start to realize some moderation in materials and supplies expenditures, but expectations beyond that are in the opposite direction and we should expect a negative month on the whole. We should be able to see the changes in State Funding in our October Settlement reports from ODE, our expectations being that this will be positive, but tempered by lower enrollment figures (JVS losses). As we learn more about the District's Foundation revenue, we will forward that information to the Board.