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Each Year, the Executive Director shall present to the Board a budget, indicating anticipated expenditures and estimated revenues for the next fiscal year, prepared in accordance with the Colorado School Finance Act of 2013. The schedule for presentation and review of budget proposals shall comply with state law and regulations and Chavez/Huerta K-12 Preparatory Academy (CHPA) Charter School Contract, and provide adequate time for Board study. Budget development shall meet the following criteria:

- The budget shall be developed each year in accordance with the current CHPA Charter School Contract and appropriate participatory governance processes.
- Through participatory governance, the budget process will commence with the Executive Director developing assumptions upon which the budget will be based, and recommending those assumptions to the Board of Directors for acceptance prior to the Board adopting the Budget.
- The Chief Financial Officer of the School will, as appropriate, conduct Board study sessions and will make presentations to the Board of Directors related to the School Budget assumptions and the development of the school-wide budget. In addition to short term operating plan, budget projections will address long-term goals and commitments as embedded in the Educational Master Plan. The tentative budget will be presented to the Board at its April meeting, and the Adoption Budget at its May meeting.
- The budget will provide for adequate reserves for cash requirements, long-term commitments, unanticipated expenditures, and a contingency for revenue shortfall.
- Budget development will consider statutory requirements including but not limited to laws such as compliance with the School Finance Act and TABOR.
- Revenue associated with growth will be budgeted in the year following the year in which the growth was actually earned except when exempted by the Board of Directors.

- The Executive Director will review the details of the budget for school-wide services and make recommendations where appropriate, including the movement of budgetary items between elementary and secondary schools.
- A public hearing on the budget shall be held at the May Board meeting.
- The Adopted Budget shall be submitted to Pueblo City Schools on or before May 30th.

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