

Ms. Merriweather asked questions about the ending fund balance, an increase in lottery funds, and cash deferrals. Ms. Gamba offered information to clarify. Ms. Merriweather said that she endorsed the Governor's tax initiative.

Mr. Thurmond spoke about decisions made on projecting budget figures for three years and the value from a fiscally conservative standpoint while he sees variables that are currently unknown. He asked whether Board members had alternate scenarios for class sized reductions. President Ramsey spoke about the number of districts within the State with negative certifications and the commitment from the State to mandate three year budget reserves.

Ms. Kronenberg commented about the fixed dollar amount budget and how that translates to employee jobs. She agreed that class size reduction is something the Board and families have committed to but right now the District cannot afford it. She said she did not see options.

Mr. Medrano said he has spent time looking at figures should the proposed tax measure should not pass. Mr. Medrano asked about funds lost to truancy. Superintendent Harter explained that current attendance is about 95% and an increase in 1% could result in an additional \$1 million. Mr. Medrano continued with questions to Ms. Gamba about the deficit factor which she explained.

MOTION: Mr. Medrano moved approval of the

week for Brown and Vanderbilt universities. Mr. Ramsey remarked on a blog statement of David Fang, one of the current ILC students at Brown University.

D.3 In Memory of Members of the School Community

Superintendent Harter recognized the contributions of members of the community who have passed away.

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