2019-2020 GOALS FOR EXPENDITURE CATEGORIES

P.L. 191-2006 (HEA 1006) states the following: “Beginning with the 2007-2008 school year, each governing body shall establish goals for each category of expenditures set forth in section 4 of this chapter that will increase the school corporation’s allocation of taxpayer resources directly to student instruction and learning, in light of the unique circumstances present in the school corporation.”

The State Board of Education has approved the following definitions:

Student Instructional Expenditures are: (1) student academic achievement expenditures plus (2) student instructional support expenditures.

Other Expenditure Categories are: (3) overhead and operational expenditures plus (4) no operational expenditures.

The Pioneer Regional School Corporation shall strive to continue increasing the percentage for student instructional expenditure categories as compared to other expenditure categories as described in IC 21-10-3-4 for the next fiscal year by continuing to identify efficiencies in all expenditure categories. Some examples of efficiencies already implemented by the district include, but are not limited to, sharing special education costs by participating in a cooperative with several other districts; providing vocational options to students through a joint program with several other districts; participating in a regional service center to leverage group purchasing, taking advantage of cooperative- wide professional development at minimal cost; participating with 22 other school districts to leverage group purchasing of natural gas; joining a health benefit trust to provide the best benefits to employees at the lowest cost. The District has already reduced support staff positions (secretaries, aides, custodians, maintenance workers and bus drivers) and administrators and faculty positions. The District shall continue to look for other opportunities to become more efficient.