

School District No. 40 (New Westminster)

Budget Workshop

October 16, 2012



Guiding Principles

- Keep the student at the center of the organization
- Educationally sound and fiscally responsible;
- Focus on achieving the best possible learning outcomes for all students, within available resources;
- Examine the operations of the school district to maximize effectiveness and to achieve efficiencies;
- Equity across the district to the greatest extent possible.



DEFICIT HISTORY





Review of Accumulated Deficit

- 2008/09 Expecting deficit of \$1.0 million
 - Actual deficit \$889,000
- 2009/10 Deficit reduced to \$205,000
- 2010/11 Deficit increased to \$521,000
 - Long-term illness/TOC costs/prof fees
- 2011/12 Deficit increased to \$2.8 million



2011/12 Financial Results

- Lower May enrolment
- Additional staffing
- Maintenance & operations
 - Unanticipated issues with AFG projects
 - Other demands/issues due to age of facilities
- Benefits
 - Increase in the number of job-shares/pt assignments with full benefits
- Issues with business processes
 - Timeliness of flow of financial information



Observations

- SD40 has not had reserves available to balance budget
- Delay in capital projects rented facilities
 - \$600k per year
- Older facilities more challenging to maintain
- SD40 budget does not include contingency
 - Difficult to manage late occurring issues



COMPARATIVE INFORMATION





REVENUES



Sources of Revenue for School Districts

- The majority of school district operating grants come from provincial grants through the funding allocation system.
- In addition, grants are provided for CommunityLINK, early learning initiatives, etc. Many of these grants are targeted or held as trust amounts.
- School districts have small amounts of local revenues from interest revenue on short-term deposits, international students, continuing education fees, cafeteria sales, facilities rentals, etc.

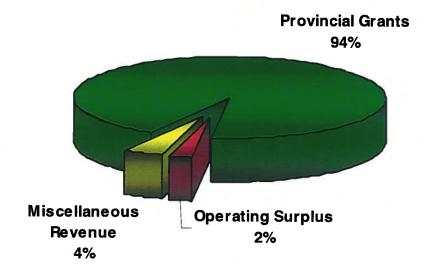


MOE OPERATING GRANT

- Boards required to adopt a budget bylaw by June 30th
 - (School Act, Section 113)
- Spring operating grant estimated student enrolment
 - Enrolment estimate prepared in February
 - Updated during spring staff/school organization
- Ministry funding amended in December
 - Based on September actual student enrolments
- Ministry funding amended further in February and June
 - Feb special needs/DL/refugees; May DL
- Final grant not known until June 30th

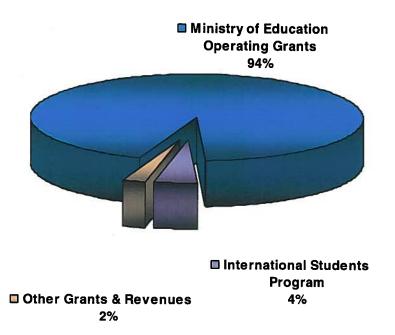


School District Sources of Revenue: A Provincial Picture





NEW WESTMINSTER SCHOOL DISTRICT REVENUES





EXPENDITURES

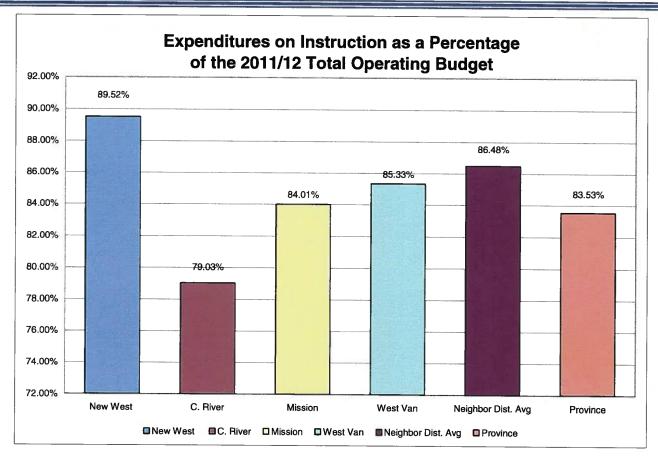


- Bar charts present SD40 information relative to:
 - Comparable school districts (SD72, SD75, SD45)
 - Average of 3 neighbouring metro districts (SD41, SD42, SD43)
 - Provincial average



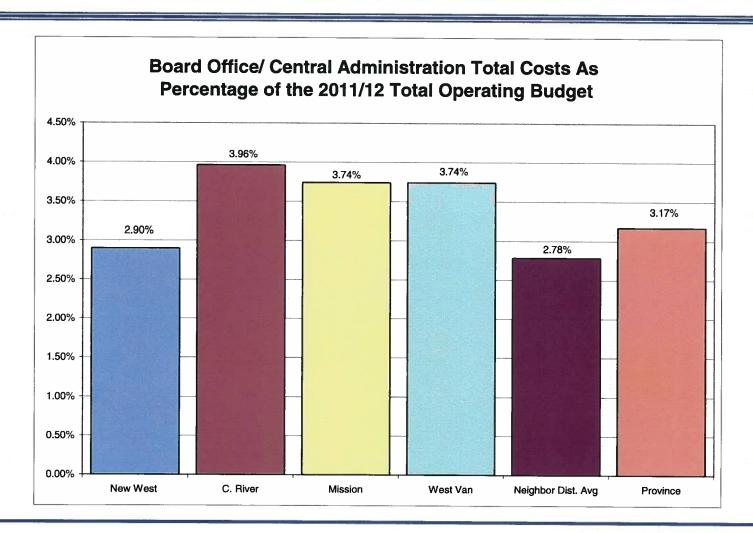
Each 1% of SD40's budget = \$600,000



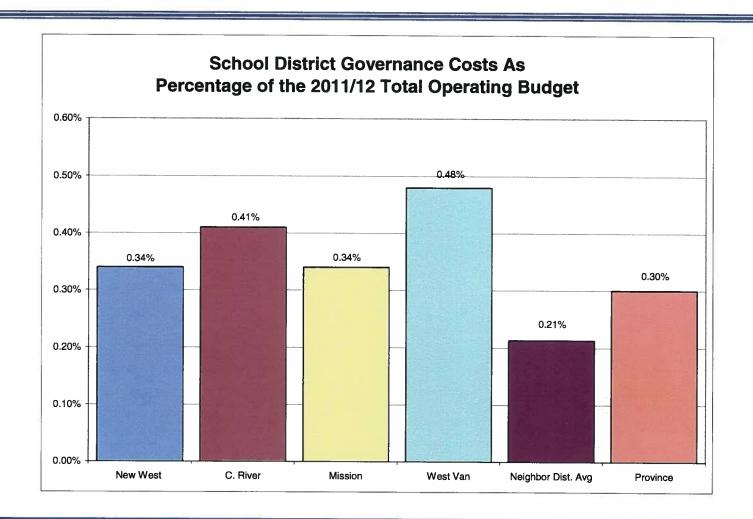


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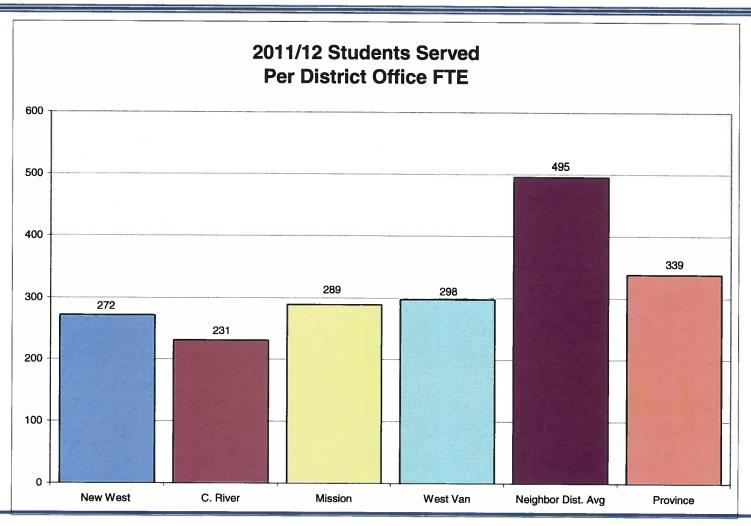




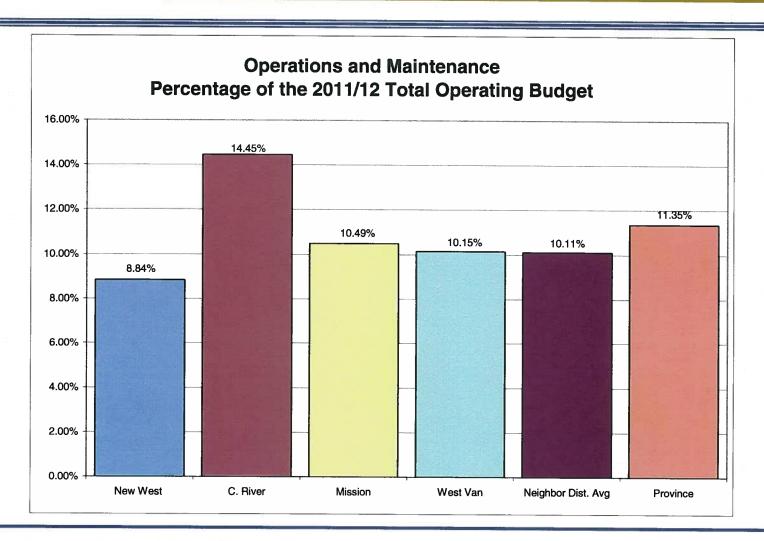




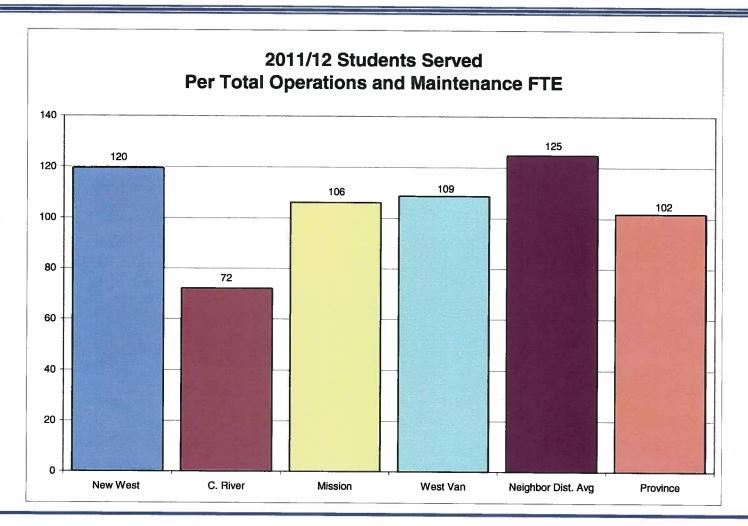




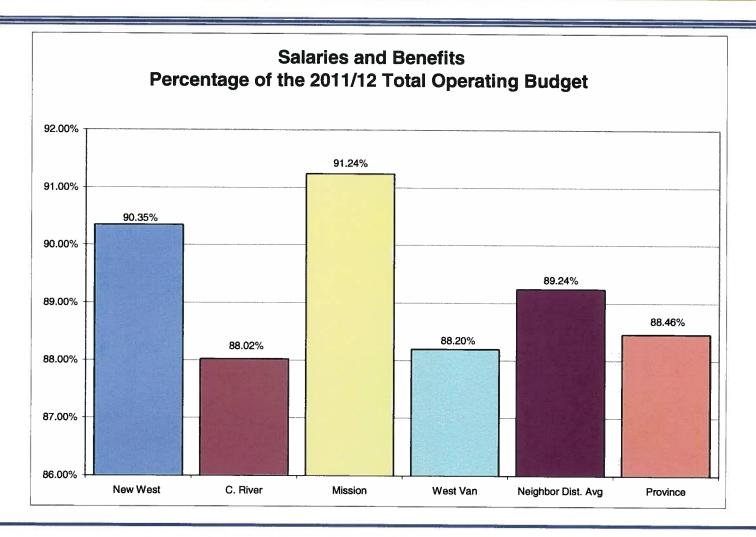




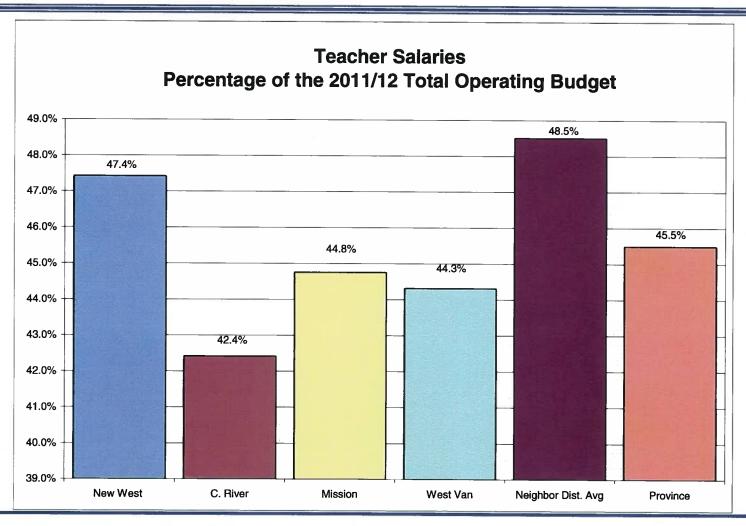




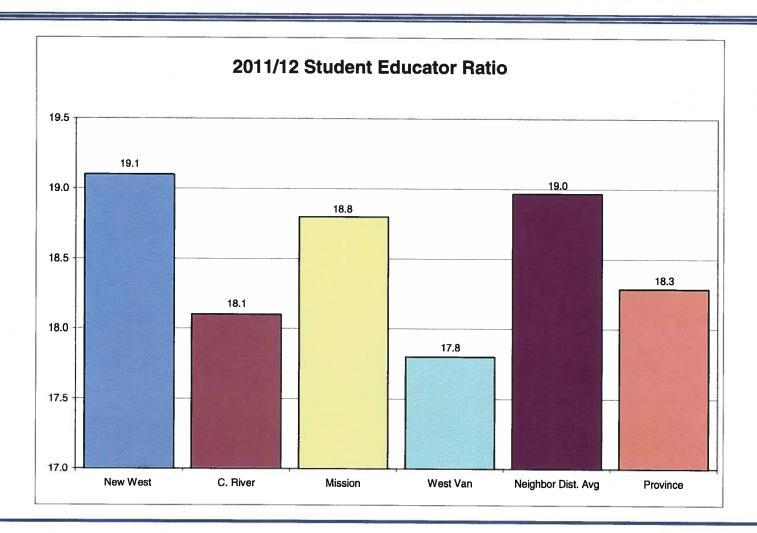




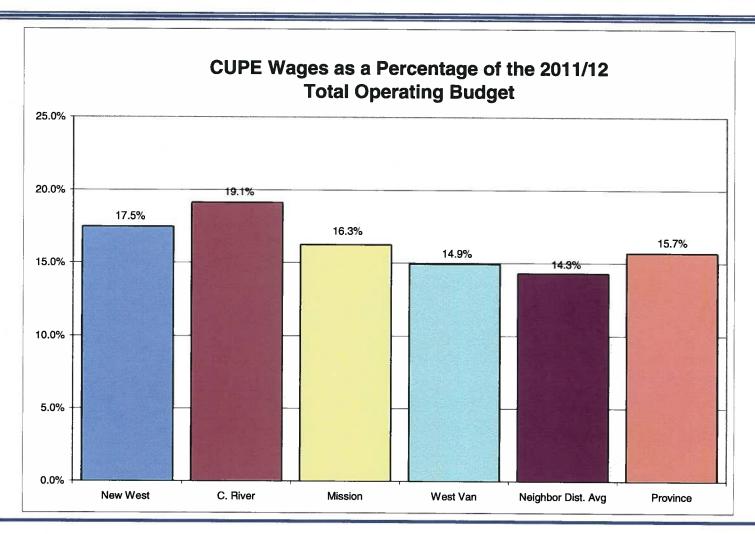




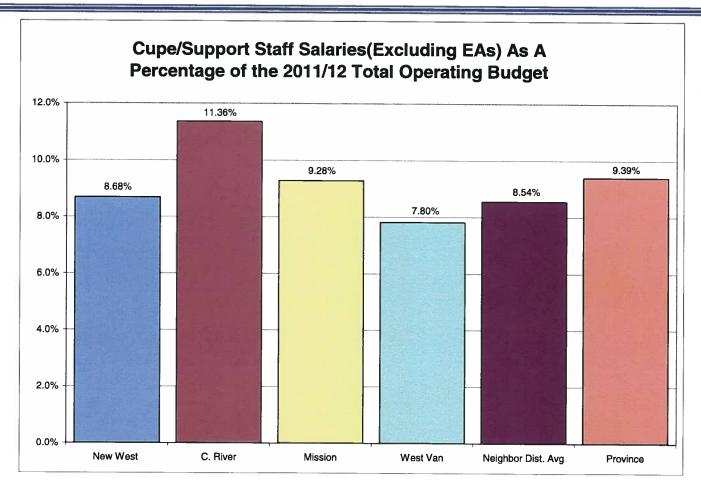






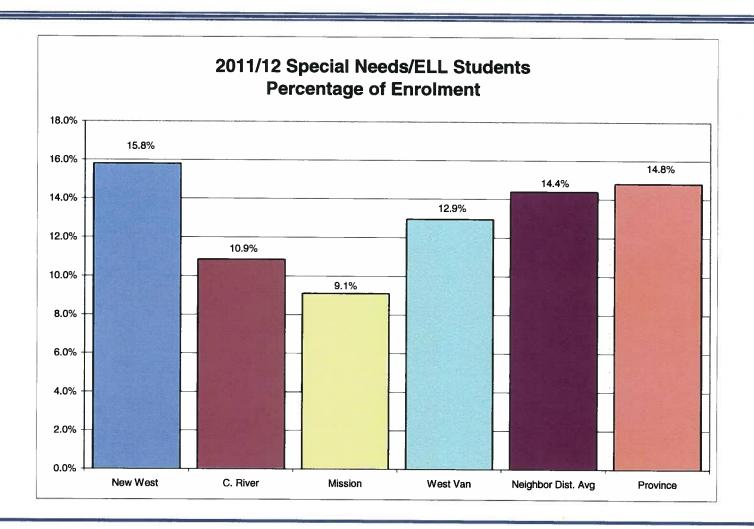




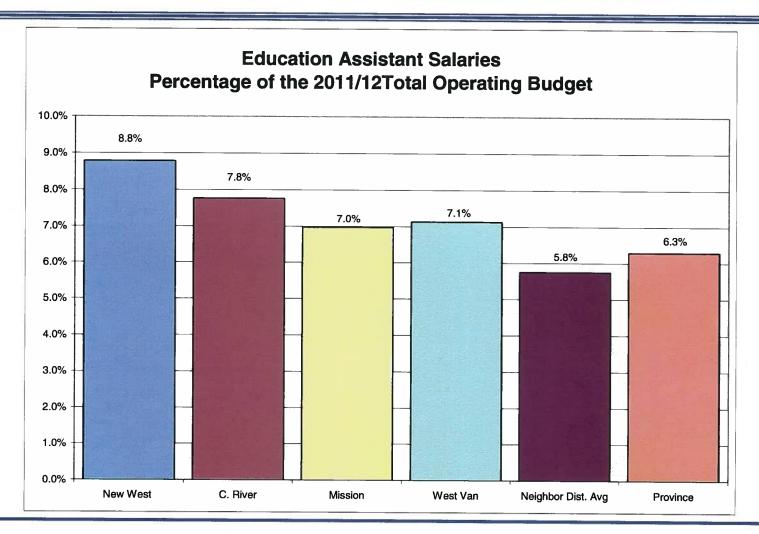


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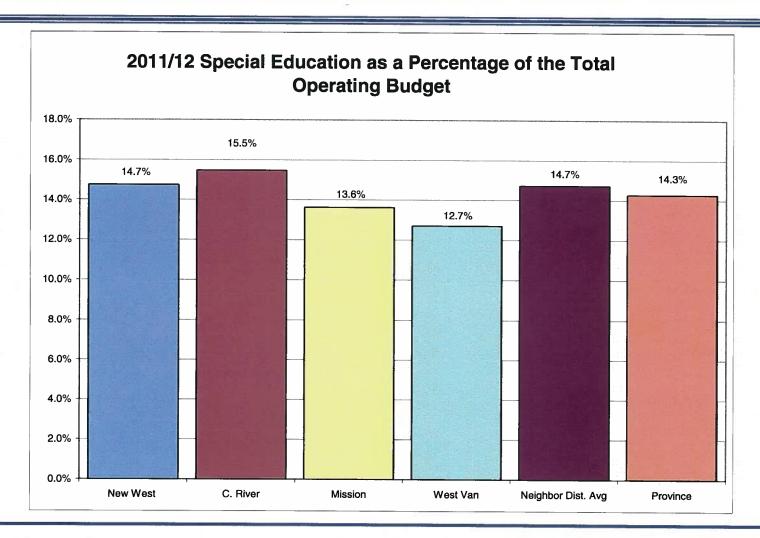




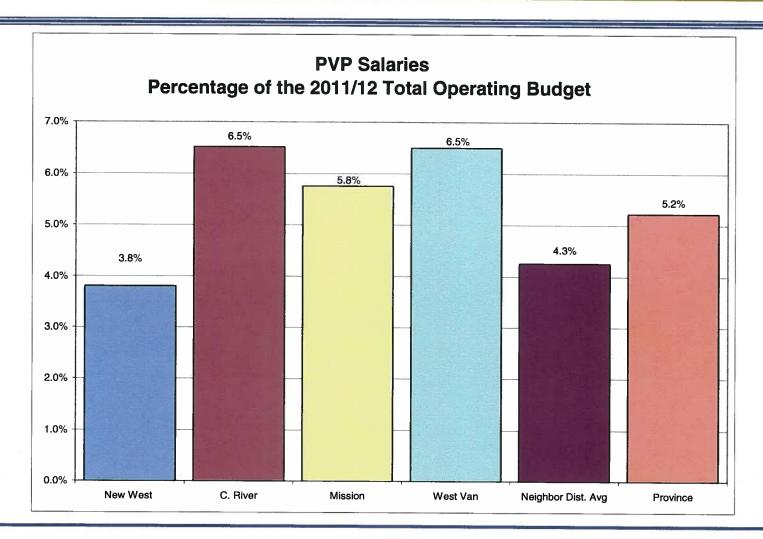




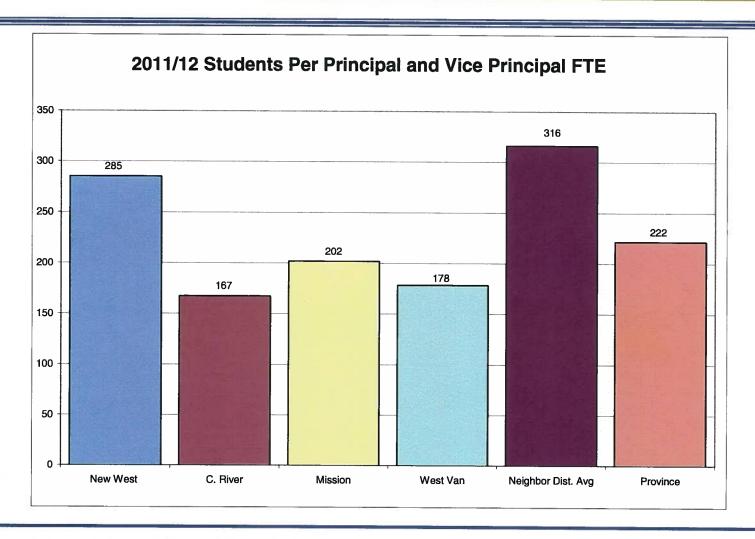




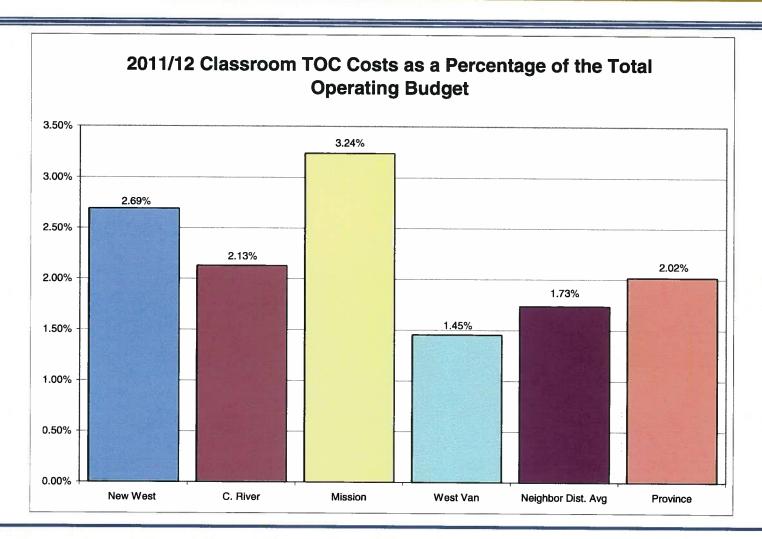




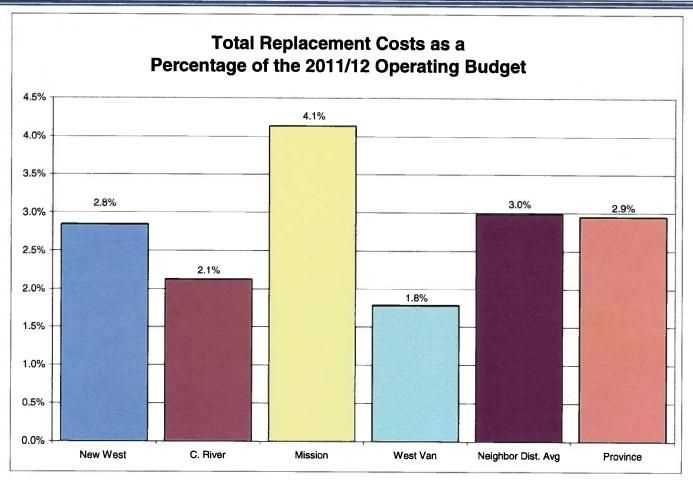






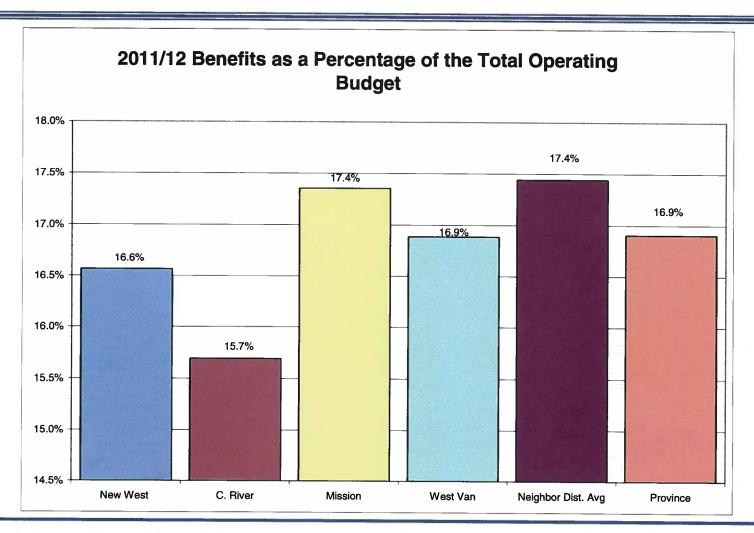




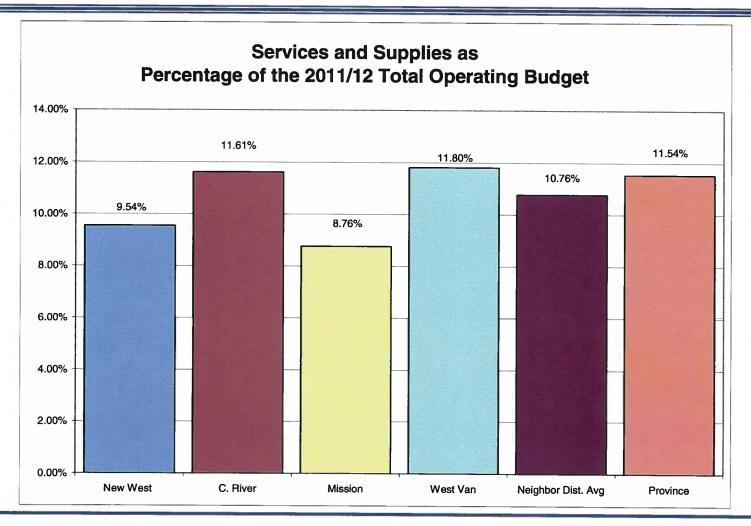


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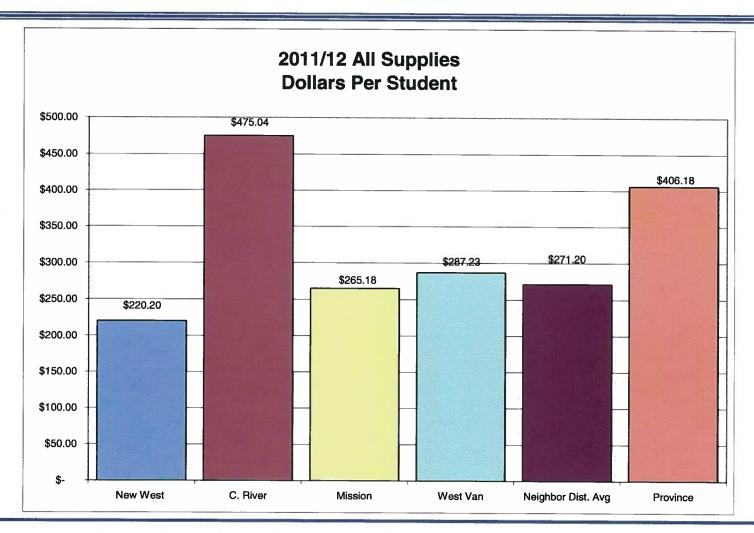














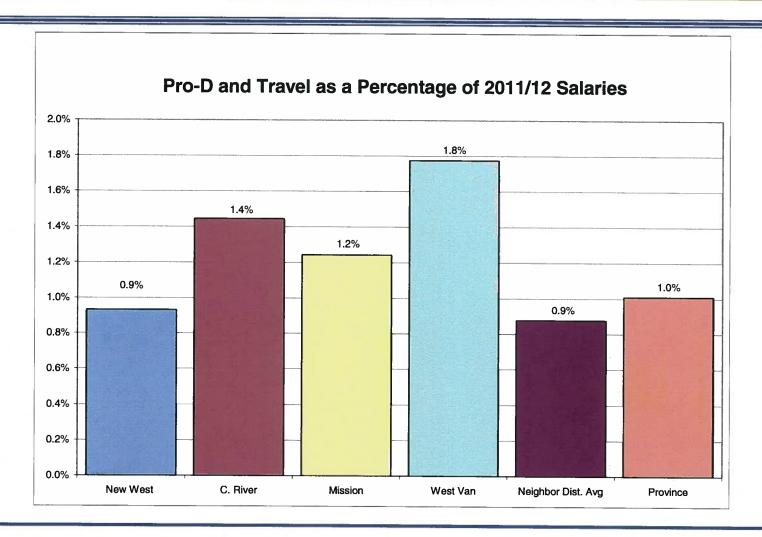




TABLE TALK

After hearing the presentation:

- Do you have any specific questions in order to better understand the district finances?
- 2. Are there specific areas of the budgeted expenditures that should be considered as part of a deficit recovery plan? What are the implications of any suggested reductions?
- 3. Are there specific areas of the budget that should not be reduced and why?
- 4. Are there local revenue generating initiatives that should be investigated?



TABLE TALK

