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TO: NARD Board & NRD Managers  
FROM: Dean E. Edson, Executive Director  
RE: DRAFT Preliminary Foundation Budget FY 23-24 & FY 24-25

Attached is the proposed preliminary budget for FY 23-24 & FY 24-25 for the NARD Foundation. We now have two years of experience with the new building and have a good grasp of operational costs. The budget is better than the projected budget analysis done by Willnerd and Associates when we purchased the building in the fall of 2020.

At the March 6, 2023, meeting the NARD Fiscal Planning Committee and the NARD Board approved this draft budget for consideration by the districts. Final action will occur on the budget at the June board meeting.

Changes for this year include: 1) Increased interest income due to interest rates; 2) Adding an expense item for NRD recreation sites promotion (This used to be funds for the NGPC Great Parks Pursuit); 3) Adding a expense item for Nitrate Education to be determined by the NARD Board in consultation with the NRD Managers; and 4) Adding an income and expense for the NRD Fun Run.

**Budget Summary**

	<u>FY 23-24</u>	<u>FY 24-25</u>
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>\$212,449</b>	<b>\$212,449</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$151,600</b>	<b>\$151,600</b>
<b>Addition to Cash Reserve</b>	<b>\$60,849</b>	<b>\$60,849</b>

**Income Ratios**

<b>Percent reserve to Total Income</b>	<b><u>28.64%</u></b>	<b><u>28.64%</u></b>
<b>Percent change in Total Income</b>	<b><u>4.42%</u></b>	<b><u>4.42%</u></b>

**Expense Ratios**

<b>Additional Cash Reserve as a percent of Expenses</b>	<b><u>40.14%</u></b>	<b><u>40.14%</u></b>
<b>Percent increase in Expenses from the previous year</b>	<b><u>3.41%</u></b>	<b><u>3.41%</u></b>

***Income:***

**Foundation Fundraisers (Account #110)**

The Foundation Account is estimated to generate funds annually from contributions and fundraisers that include the Auction, raffle, Ron Bishop Golf Tournament, Trap Shoot, Fun Run, donations and other. NARD Staff is working with Nemaha NRD to do the Fun Run this year. This will be the first since COVID. There is a corresponding expense account for the foundation. (\$29,000 for FY 23-24 and \$29,000 for FY 24-25).

**Rent (Account #108)**

Rent from the NARD (\$28,891) and NARD Risk Pool (\$22,840) are locked in at the 2015 rental rates from the old building. Additional rents are from the Nebraska Community Foundation (\$99,218) and Conference Room rental (\$1,000). Total -- \$151,949 per FY.

**Common Area Maintenance or CAM (Account #108-100)**

Part of the rental agreement with the Nebraska Community Foundation includes their share (55%) of the Yankee Hill Business Center Association CAM charges for parking lot snow removal, landscaping, parking lot lighting, and other common area maintenance. (\$12,000 total per FY)

**Investment Income (Account #120)**

Interest income is increased due to higher interest rates. Three sub-accounts – 1) Union Bank interest income from cash reserves; 2) STIFIT investments with Union Bank and UBS income. (\$19,000 total per FY).

<b><u>Account</u></b>	<b><u>FY 23-24</u></b>	<b><u>FY 24-25</u></b>
UBS	\$8,000	\$8,000
Union Bank and STIFIT	\$10,000	\$10,000
Cornhusker Bank CD's	\$1,000	\$1,000
<b><i>Totals</i></b>	<b><i>\$19,000</i></b>	<b><i>\$19,000</i></b>

**Miscellaneous Income (Account #140)**

Other miscellaneous income. (\$500 total per FY).

**Expenses:**

**Foundation Sponsorships (Account #200)**

Ag and natural resources educational program sponsorships as listed below. NRD Recreation Promotion used to be budgeted for the NGPC Great Park Pursuit. Nitrate Education and the Fun Run are added as new. Other includes the FUN Run (\$27,300 total per FY)

<b><u>Proposed</u></b>	<b><u>FY 23-24</u></b>	<b><u>FY 24-25</u></b>
NE Envirothon	\$4,000	\$4,000
NE LEAD Program	\$1,500	\$1,500
NAYI	\$3,000	\$3,000
NE FFA Foundation	\$5,000	\$5,000
NE Foundation for AG	\$1,300	\$1,300
ACE Camp	\$2,000	\$2,000
NRD Recreation Promotion	\$3,000	\$3,000
Nitrate Education	\$5,000	\$5,000
Fun Run	\$1,000	\$1,000
Other	\$1,000	\$1,000
<b><u>Totals</u></b>	<b><u>\$27,300</u></b>	<b><u>\$27,300</u></b>

**Insurance (Account #200-050)**

Property/Casualty for both buildings (8100 South 15<sup>th</sup> and Husker Harvest Days), Liability, Errors & Omissions. (\$11,000 total per FY)

**UBS Reinvestment and Fees (Account #200-015)**

Reinvestment and fees for the UBS Account (\$1,500 total per FY)

**8100 South 15<sup>th</sup> Payments (Account #200 & 217-006)**

Principle, interest, and property tax payments for the office building. Lancaster County approved the exemption request for the entire building. Principle payments are increased, and interest is decreased as the outstanding loan amount lowers over time. (\$62,000 in each FY).

<b><u>Proposed</u></b>	<b><u>FY 23-24</u></b>	<b><u>FY 24-25</u></b>
Principle Payment	\$36,000	\$37,000
Interest Payment	\$26,000	\$25,000
Real Estate Property Tax	0	0
<b><u>Totals</u></b>	<b><u>\$62,000</u></b>	<b><u>\$62,000</u></b>

**Repairs & Maintenance (Account #218)**

Office cleaning services, sidewalk snow removal, repairs, pest control, maintenance, etc. (\$13,700 total per FY).

**Utilities (Account #219)**

Electricity, natural gas, and water/sewage. (\$11,500 total per FY).

**Professional Fees (Account #230)**

Legal, Accounting and Auditing Services (\$5,500 total per FY).

**Common Area Maintenance or CAM Fees (Account #217-004)**

Yankee Hill Business Center Association CAM charges for parking lot snow removal, landscaping, parking lot lighting, and other common area maintenance. (\$17,600 total per FY)

**Miscellaneous (Account #NEW)**

Miscellaneous expenses (\$1,500 total per FY).

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