

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF
ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA

MINUTES, SEPTEMBER 16, 2021

The School Board of Escambia County, Florida, convened in Special Meeting at 5:01 p.m., in Room 160, at the J.E. Hall Educational Services Center, 30 East Texar Drive, Pensacola, Florida, with the following present:

Chair: Mr. William E. Slayton (District V)
Vice Chair: Mr. Kevin L. Adams (District I)
Board Members: Mr. Paul Fetsko (District II)
Dr. Laura Dortch Edler (District III)
Mrs. Patricia Hightower (District IV)

School Board General Counsel: Mrs. Ellen D. Odom

Superintendent of Schools: Dr. Timothy A. Smith

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I. CALL TO ORDER/ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Chair Slayton called the Special Meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. Motion by Mrs. Hightower, seconded by Mr. Adams, to adopt the agenda, carried unanimously.

II. PRESENTATION OF 2021-2022 MILLAGE RATES AND DISTRICT SCHOOL BUDGET

Ms. Theresa McCants, Director - Budgeting, gave a brief presentation on millage rates and the District School budget for fiscal year 2021-2022.

III. PUBLIC HEARING FOR INPUT ON [MILLAGE RATES AND DISTRICT SCHOOL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022](#)

-No registration forms submitted

IV. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS

1. [Resolution Number 2022-03 – Resolution Determining Revenues and Millages Levied](#)

Motion by Mr. Adams, seconded by Mrs. Hightower, to approve Item VI.1, *Resolution Number 2021-03 – Resolution Determining Revenues and Millages Levied*, carried unanimously.

2. [Resolution Number 2022-04 – Resolution Adopting the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022](#)

Motion by Mrs. Hightower, seconded by Mr. Adams, to approve Item VI.2, *Resolution Number 2021-04 – Resolution Adopting the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2021-2022*, carried unanimously.

V. FINAL ADOPTION OF MILLAGE RATES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022

1. Required Local Effort

Motion by Mr. Adams, seconded by Mrs. Hightower, to adopt the 2021-2022 Required Local Effort millage rate at 3.695 mills, carried unanimously.

2. Discretionary – Operating

Motion by Mr. Adams, seconded by Mrs. Hightower, to adopt the 2021-2022 Discretionary - Operating millage rate at 0.748 mills, carried unanimously.

3. Local Capital Improvement (Capital Outlay)

Motion by Mr. Adams, seconded by Mrs. Hightower, to adopt the 2021-2022 Local Capital Improvement (Capital Outlay) millage rate at 1.214 mills, carried 4 to 1, with Mr. Adams voting “No.”

4. Total Millage
Motion by Mr. Adams, seconded by Mr. Fetsko, to adopt the 2021-2022 Total Millage rate at 5.657 mills, carried 4 to 1, with Mr. Adams voting “No.”

VI. FINAL ADOPTION OF DISTRICT SCHOOL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022

1. General Fund
Motion by Mr. Fetsko, seconded by Mr. Adams, to adopt the 2021-2022 General Fund budget in the amount of \$366,021,497.44, carried unanimously.
2. Special Revenue – Food Service
Motion by Mr. Fetsko, seconded by Mrs. Hightower, to adopt the 2021-2022 Special Revenue – Food Service budget in the amount of \$29,889,158.81, carried unanimously.
3. Special Revenue – Other Federal Programs
Motion by Mr. Fetsko, seconded by Mr. Adams, to adopt the 2021-2022 Special Revenue – Federal Programs budget in the amount of \$43,235,714.87, carried unanimously.
4. Special Revenue – Cares Act - ESSER
Motion by Mr. Fetsko, seconded by Mrs. Hightower, to adopt the 2021-2022 Special Revenue – Cares Act – ESSER budget in the amount of \$1,212,712.15, carried unanimously.
5. Special Revenue – Cares Act – Other
Motion by Mr. Fetsko, seconded by Mr. Adams, to adopt the 2021-2022 Special Revenue – Cares Act – Other budget in the amount of \$178,907.97, carried unanimously.
6. Special Revenue – ESSER II
Motion by Mr. Fetsko, seconded by Mrs. Hightower, to adopt the 2021-2022 Special Revenue – ESSER II budget in the amount of \$48,476,112.00, carried unanimously.
7. Debt Service Funds
Motion by Mr. Fetsko, seconded by Mr. Adams, to adopt the 2021-2022 Debt Service Funds budget in the amount of \$19,622,726.87, carried 4 to 1, with Mr. Adams voting “No.”
8. Capital Project Funds
Motion by Mr. Adams, seconded by Mrs. Hightower, to adopt the 2021-2022 Capital Projects Funds budget in the amount of \$170,037,704.71, carried unanimously.
9. Internal Service Funds
Motion by Mr. Adams, seconded by Mrs. Hightower, to adopt the 2021-2022 Internal Services Funds budget in the amount of \$62,430,037.47, carried unanimously.
10. Total Budget
Motion by Mr. Adams, seconded by Mrs. Hightower, to adopt the 2021-2022 Total Budget in the amount of \$741,104,572.29, carried unanimously.

VII. [PUBLIC FORUM](#)

-No registration forms submitted

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Special Meeting adjourned at 5:27 p.m.

Attest:

Approved:

Superintendent

Chair