

AGENDA
SCHOOL BOARD OF SANTA ROSA COUNTY
WORKSHOP
May 12, 2022-5:00 PM

Items for Review and Discussion

The School Board of Santa Rosa County met in regular session with the following members present: Mrs. Wei Ueberschaer, Chairperson; Mrs. Linda Sanborn, Vice-Chairperson; Mrs. Elizabeth Hewey, Mr. Charles Elliott, and Mrs. Carol Boston.

Also present were School Board Attorney, Terry Harmon; and Dr. Karen Barber, Superintendent of Schools and Secretary.

A. Capital Outlay Board Workshop FY 2022-2023

For a complete word for word transcript, please see the video. The following has been condensed.

Joey Harrell, Assistant Superintendent for Administrative Services, came forward to present information regarding the Capital Outlay budget for 2022-2023.

Board Chairperson Wei Ueberschaer noted that no action will be taken during the workshop.

Sources of Capital Outlay Funding

- *PECO (Public Education Capital Outlay) maintenance fund, new construction fund, Classrooms for Kids (these are state funds)*
- *Capital Outlay and Debt Service*
- *Local Capital Outlay (*1.5 mill)*
- *Local Capital Improvement (miscellaneous funds; for example, Blackwater timber sales)*
- *Local Option 1/2 Cent Sales Tax*

Estimated capital outlay revenue for 2022-23 includes zero dollars from the state; \$765,500 from capital outlay and debt service; \$19,765,000 from local capital outlay (millage); \$129,000 from local capital improvement; and \$12,935,000 from the 1/2 cent sales tax.

He continued with information and facts looking forward:

- *Approximately 4.3 million net square footage in the school district*
- *1.5 mill revenue projected increase \$1.76 MM*
- *1/2 cent sales tax revenue projected increase \$2.4 MM*
- *Purchased three parcels of property and anticipate closing on a fourth within the next 60 days*

- Moved into East Bay K-8 fall of 2021
- Started construction of Pace area K-8 summer 2021
- Currently in design phase of south-end high school
- Proposing \$19.75 MM towards south-end high school (local funding)
- Budget transfers - \$5.66 MM COPS, \$2.207MM property casualty (29% increase), transportation bus lease \$2.34MM
- Technology funding - \$1MM ITS (upgrades/infrastructure) \$50K school-based technology needs
- Total of \$11,222,034 "off the top"
- 97.7% of reoccurring capital outlay revenue is generated locally

Assistant Superintendent for Finance, Susan McCole, came forward to talk about our COPs or Certificates of Participation; and what they covered. She noted that much of the information she's sharing is from a financial audit; and all of this information is on our district website for review.

Mr. Harrell provided the estimated capital outlay funding for 2022-2023 with amounts used for budgeting by revenue source; showing total available capital outlay funds of \$40,170,500.

He shared a list of proposed capital outlay budget expenses (by school site).

Discussion followed regarding portable classrooms.

B. School Board Policy Updates

For a complete word for word transcript, please see the video. The following has been condensed.

Mike Thorpe, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, came forward to present School Board Policy updates.

Mr. Thorpe reminded the Board that we contract with NEFEC to update our Board policies based on legislative changes; this usually happens twice a year. Some policy changes are so extensive that it is recommended that they be replaced rather than revised.

Board Attorney Terry Harmon explained that some policies are required and based on legislation; others may not be legally required but are suggested; such as Policy 6.28 "Use of Social Media." After much discussion, it was decided this policy would be removed from tonight's regular Board meeting agenda and resubmitted at a later date.

Public Information Officer Dr. Tonya Shepherd came forward to explain the archival process for professional sites. If a comment is posted on our social media that is particularly threatening or vulgar it can be hidden through this process; it is not deleted.

The following policies - some new and some revised - were reviewed.

2.18 - New - Respect and Civility in Schools and District Offices
2.90 - New - Recommend replacing current 2190 Smoking and Tobacco Free Environment
3.17 - New - Recording of Parent/Staff Meetings
3.40 - Revision - Safe and Secure Schools
5.14 - Revision - Homeless Students
5.341 - Revision - Use of Time Out Seclusion
5.51 - Revision - Health Services Plan
5.61 - Revision - Student Illness
5.62 - Revision - Administration of Medication
6.28 - New - Use of Social Media
7.22 - Revision - Electronic Records/Signatures/Funds
8.17 - New - Safe School Officers
8.18 - New - Disaster Preparedness
8.60 - New - Recommend Replacing Current 8.60 - Electronic Systems Responsible Use

The School Board Workshop was adjourned to convene the regular Board meeting at 6:30 P. M.