

AGENDA
SCHOOL BOARD OF SANTA ROSA COUNTY
WORKSHOP
July 23, 2024-9:00 AM

Items for Review and Discussion

A. Presentation of Proposed Tentative 2024-2025 Budget

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

Board Chairperson Mrs. Linda Sanborn opened the workshop for the 2024-2025 proposed/tentative budget. Other Board members present were Mrs. Carol Boston, Vice-Chairperson, Mr. Charles Elliott, Mrs. Elizabeth Hewey and Mr. Scott Peden.

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

Susan McCole, Assistant Superintendent for Finance came forward to present the proposed 2024-2025 budget.

Ms. McCole began by thanking her staff, especially Tom Turman and Linda Ellis, they put in a lot of hours along with her.

Ms. McCole discussed the following points:

- This is a "proposed/tentative" budget and will change during the year. The proposed/tentative budget is approved for advertising on July 23, 2024. The "first" public hearing on the budget is July 30, 2024. The "final" public hearing is on September 10, 2024.*
- The projected Unweighted FTE for 2024/2025 is 31,657. This is an increase of 1,384 students for the 2024/2025 school year.*
- The District is self-insured for health insurance. The Board contributed approximately \$19,255,822 toward employees' health, life, and dental insurances for fiscal year 2023/2024.*
- In 2023/2024 the District collected \$14,606,485 in sales tax revenue. Sales tax collections increased by \$183,051 over the prior year. The additional funds will help with capital projects in 2024/2025.*

The five categories of fund balance are:

- 1. Non-spendable - Portion of fund balance that cannot be spent because of the form. (Inventories)*
- 2. Restricted - Portion of fund balance that reflects resources that are subject to externally enforceable legal restrictions. (State Categoricals, Donations, Federal and State Projects)*

3. *Committed* - Portion of fund balance that represents resources that have been earmarked or whose use is constrained by limitations that the governing body has imposed upon it. (School Based Budgets and District over projected FTE)

4. *Assigned* - Portion of fund balance that is constrained by the governments intent to be used for specific purposes but are not restricted or committed. (Board projects such as: STEAM initiatives, Utilities, OT/PT/Speech Contracts, etc.)

5. *Unassigned* - Portion of fund balance that is available for the Board to use as needed.

FTE 4th Calculation Comparison to FTE 2nd Calculation:

Unweighted FTE

- Learning Academy - FTE difference is 0
- Coastal - FTE difference is 10
- Family Empowerment - FTE difference is 655
- District - FTE difference is 719
- Total FTE difference is 1,384

FTE 2nd Calculation Over Projections:

- District FTE Committed funds - \$3,300,000 (FTE over projected by 369)

2nd Calculation Funding Increase for Fiscal Year 2024-2025

- 2nd Calc. Adjusted Net State FEFP Increase \$8,120,999.00
- Deduct Mental Health Increase \$(235,862.00)
- Deduct Safe School Increase \$(380,053.00)
- Deduct Teacher Salary Allocation Increase \$(2,019,647.00)
- Deduct District Over Projected FTE (369 FTE) \$(3,300,000.00)
- Add Class Size Increase \$1,060,384.00
- Increase in State Funding \$3,245,821.00
- Increase in Property Tax Revenue \$4,286,871.00
- Additional New Funds \$7,532,692.00

Estimated Revenue by Type - General Operating Fund

- Federal/Federal thru State - 1%
- State - 69%
- Property Taxes - 26%
- Other Local - 4%
- Total Revenue - \$ 282,270,120

Estimated Revenue by Type - Total Budget

- Federal/Federal thru State 8%
- State - 49%
- Property Taxes - 26%
- Other Local - 17%
- Total Revenue - \$ 396,917,988

Tax Millage rates are as follows:

- *Required Local Effort is 3.150; this rate is set by the state*
- *Board Option is 0.748*
- *Total Operating is 3.898*
- *Capital Outlay is 1.500*
- *Total Millage is 5.398*
- *Total Required by the State is 3.15*
- *Total Board Option is 2.248*
- *Actual Tax Roll Amount is 19,960,361,482*
- *Value of 1/10 Mill is 1,916,195*

General Operating and Capital Outlay Funds:

- *Operating Property Taxes 2024/2025 - \$74,693,269*
- *Operating Property Taxes 2023/2024 - \$70,422,528*
- *Additional Property Tax Revenue - \$4,270,741*
- *Capital Outlay Property Taxes 2024/2025 - \$28,742,921*
- *Capital Outlay Property Taxes 2023/2024 - \$26,753,462*
- *Additional Property Tax Revenue - \$1,989,459*

Total Available Budget by Fund Type

- *Operating - \$318,876,238 - Increase of \$15,048,501*
- *Debt Service - \$13,487,772 - Decrease of \$4,266,915*
- *Capital Outlay - \$140,027,302 - Decrease of 10,158,585*
- *Special Revenue - \$55,442,267 - Decrease of \$20,557,448*
- *Proprietary - \$50,674,409 - Increase of \$10,403,192*
- *Trust & Agency - \$586,045 - Decrease of \$134,430*
- *Total Budget-All Parts - \$579,094,033 - Decrease of \$9,665,685*

Budgeted Appropriations by Object General Operating Fund

- *Salaries - 53.40%*
- *Employee Benefits - 17.30%*
- *Purchased Services - 20.00%*
- *Energy Services - 3.20%*
- *Material & Supplies - 4.10%*
- *Capital Outlay - 0.70%*
- *Other Expenses - 1.20%*
- *Transfers - 0.10%*

Total Restricted Project Carryovers at June 30, 2024 - \$8,286,343

*Committed Project Carryover at June 30, 2024 - School Based Budgets-
\$1,266,756*

Unassigned & Assigned Fund Balance for 2023-2024 - \$19,421,594

Financial Condition Ratio % for 2023-2024 is 7.02

The remaining slides contained Proposed/Tentative Budget Summary, Capital Outlay Project Priority List, Certification of School Taxable Value, and Budget Ads.

The workshop adjourned at 9:45 am so that after a brief intermission the regular meeting could convene.