

**HIGHLAND INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
CALLED MEETING
Monday, August 23, 2021
6:30 and 7:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER PUBLIC HEARING

Board of Trustees President Jimmy Johns called the Public Hearing for 2021-2022 Budget and Tax Rate propositions to order at 6:30 p.m.

A. Budget and Tax Rate

Mr. Ken Thompson was in attendance to answer any questions regarding our proposed 2021-22 Tax Rate and Budget

ADJOURN

With there being no further business, President Jimmy Johns declared the Public Hearing adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

INVOCATION – led by Derek Montgomery

ROLL CALL

Board of Trustees President Jimmy Johns called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and certified the presence of a quorum. Those present: Brandon Bankhead, Allen Hoelscher, and Derek Montgomery. Cody Muncy was not in attendance. Also present were Superintendent Robbie Phillips, Business Manager LynnAnn Duniven, Superintendent Secretary Recia Hale, Secondary Principal Shane Mallory, and Elementary Principal Brittany Lloyd.

RECOGNITION OF GUESTS

COMMUNITY COMMENTS

ITEMS for DISCUSSION and/or ACTION

A. 2020-21 Budget Amendments

Mrs. Duniven discussed that no further amendments needed to be made to the 2020-21 Budget.

No motion necessary.

B. Designated Fund Balance

Mr. Phillips discussed the need to designate funds to keep the fund balance at acceptable levels and designating \$3,000,000.00 for plant to do this. He also discussed the possible need to designate additional funds to lower the fund balance.

There was a motion made by Allen Hoelscher and a second by Brandon Bankhead to designate \$3,000,000.00 for plant.
Motion passed 4-0.

C. 2021-2022 Budget

Mr. Phillips and Mrs. Duniven reviewed the 2021-22 Budget.

There was a motion made by Derek Montgomery and a second by Allen Hoelscher to adopt the 2021-22 budgets for the General Operating, Debt Service and Food Service Funds as presented.
Motion passed 4-0.

D. Tax Rates for 2021-2022

Mr. Phillips reviewed the proposed tax rates as reviewed in August 9th meeting. It was discussed that the tax rates be set at \$0.95380 for M&O and \$0.12520 for I&S.

There was a motion made by Brandon Bankhead and a second by Derek Montgomery to adopt the Resolution setting a tax rate of \$0.95380 per \$100 valuation for Maintenance and Operations and \$0.12520 per \$100 valuation for Interest and Sinking for the 2021-22 school year.
Motion passed 4-0.

E. FIRST Rating

Mr. Phillips presented information regarding the latest FIRST rating.

No action.

F. Consider Increasing Substitute Daily Rate of Pay

Mr. Phillips discussed the need to be competitive in pay in regard to our substitutes. He recommended we increase the pay of a substitute who has a teaching certificate to \$85.00 a day and an uncertified substitute \$75.00 daily.

There was a motion made by Derek Montgomery with a second by Allen Hoelscher to increase pay to \$85 or \$75 daily depending on certification. Motion passed 3-0 with Brandon Bankhead abstaining from vote.

G. Purchase of New Suburban

Mr. Phillips presented the information on the final bids for Suburban’s that was submitted for consideration.

The Board approved the purchase of a 2021 Chevrolet Suburban for \$49,900. With a motion made by Allen Hoelscher and a second by Brandon Bankhead. Motion passed 4-0.

H. Student Transfers for 2021-22

Mr. Mallory and Mrs. Lloyd reviewed a list of additional students to consider for transfer.

There was a motion made by Allen Hoelscher and a second by Brandon Bankhead to accept and deny transfer students as presented. Motion passed 4-0.

I. Possible Action for Filling Board Vacancy

The Board has 180 days in which to fill the vacancy left from K. Sanford’s resignation.

The Board tabled the motion for a meeting with a full quorum.

ADJOURN

With there being no further business, President Jimmy Johns declared the meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Board President

Secretary

Date