

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF  
ESCAMBIA COUNTY, FLORIDA

MINUTES, AUGUST 1, 2016

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:

Vice Chair: Mrs. Linda Moultrie  
Board Members: Mr. Gerald Boone  
Mrs. Patricia Hightower

School Board General Counsel: Mrs. Donna Sessions Waters

Superintendent of Schools: Mr. Malcolm Thomas

*Board Chair Mr. Bill Slayton and Board Member Mr. Jeff Bergosh were not present for this session.*

Meeting was advertised in the *Pensacola News Journal* on July 25, 2016 – Legal No. [1442100](#)

NOTE: The minutes from this session have been prepared according to *Roberts Rules of Order, Newly Revised*.  
The video from this session is available at <http://escambiacountysdfl.swagit.com/play/08012016-759>

I. CALL TO ORDER/ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Mrs. Moultrie called the Special Meeting to order at 5:01 p.m. On motion by Mrs. Hightower, seconded by Mr. Boone, adoption of the agenda carried 3 to 0, with Mr. Slayton and Mr. Bergosh absent for vote.

II. FINANCE

1. Presentation of [2016-2017 Tentative Millage Rates and Tentative Budget](#)

[NOTE: Documents outlining the 2016-2017 tentative millage rates and tentative budget were provided to School Board Members prior to the Special Meeting (Supplementary Minute Book, Exhibit “A”).] Mr. Terry St. Cyr, Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Business Services, recapped the budget materials that were previously approved for advertising at the [July 19, 2016 Special Meeting](#). He provided the definition of “rolled-back rate” and reviewed other information as required by the Truth-in-Millage (TRIM) Act. [NOTE: *The rolled-back rate is defined as the millage rate at which the current tax base would generate the same ad valorem tax revenue as the prior year when applied to the current year certified tax roll (with certain exclusions).*]

2016-2017 Tentative Millage Rates

Required Local Effort, 4.666 mills (*determined by the State*)

Discretionary – Operating, 0.748 mills

Capital Outlay, 1.462 mills

*Total Millage, 6.876 mills*

2016-2017 Tentative Budget

General Fund, \$353,065,746.94

Special Revenue – Food Services, \$28,273,537.00

Special Revenue – Other Federal Programs, \$35,855,210.93

Debt Service Funds, \$19,922,017.00

Capital Projects Funds, \$192,861,509.29

Internal Service Funds, \$56,091,081.00  
Total Budget, \$686,069,102.16

III. CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARING FOR INPUT ON 2016-2017 TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATES & TENTATIVE BUDGET

Mrs. Moultrie called for public hearing on the 2016-2017 tentative millage rates and tentative budget; however, there was no one who registered to speak.

IV. ADOPTION OF 2016-2017 TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATES

1. Required Local Effort

Motion was made by Mr. Boone and seconded by Mrs. Hightower, to adopt the 2016-2017 tentative Required Local Effort millage rate at 4.666 mills. Motion carried 3 to 0, with Mr. Slayton and Mr. Bergosh absent for vote.

2. Discretionary – Operating

Motion was made by Mr. Boone and seconded by Mrs. Hightower, to adopt the 2016-2017 tentative Discretionary–Operating millage rate at 0.748 mills. Motion carried 3 to 0, with Mr. Slayton and Mr. Bergosh absent for vote.

3. Capital Outlay

Motion was made by Mr. Boone and seconded by Mrs. Hightower, to adopt the 2016-2017 tentative Capital Outlay millage rate at 1.462 mills. Motion carried 3 to 0, with Mr. Slayton and Mr. Bergosh absent for vote.

4. Total Millage

Motion was made by Mr. Boone and seconded by Mrs. Hightower, to adopt the 2016-2017 tentative total millage rate at 6.876 mills. Motion carried 3 to 0, with Mr. Slayton and Mr. Bergosh absent for vote.

V. ADOPTION OF 2016-2017 TENTATIVE BUDGET

1. General Fund

Motion by Mr. Boone, seconded by Mrs. Hightower, to adopt the 2016-2017 tentative General Fund budget in the amount of \$353,065,746.94, carried 3 to 0, with Mr. Slayton and Mr. Bergosh absent for vote.

2. Special Revenue – Food Services

Motion by Mr. Boone, seconded by Mrs. Hightower, to adopt the 2016-2017 tentative Special Revenue–Food Service budget in the amount of \$28,273,537.00, carried 3 to 0, with Mr. Slayton and Mr. Bergosh absent for vote.

3. Special Revenue – Other Federal Programs

Motion by Mr. Boone, seconded by Mrs. Hightower, to adopt the 2016-2017 tentative Special Revenue–Other Federal Programs budget in the amount of \$35,855,210.93, carried 3 to 0, with Mr. Slayton and Mr. Bergosh absent for vote.

4. Debt Service Funds

Motion by Mr. Boone, seconded by Mrs. Hightower, to adopt the 2016-2017 tentative Debt Service Funds budget in the amount of \$19,922,017.00, carried 3 to 0, with Mr. Slayton and Mr. Bergosh absent for vote.

5. Capital Projects Funds

Motion by Mr. Boone, seconded by Mrs. Hightower, to adopt the 2016-2017 tentative Capital Projects Funds budget in the amount of \$192,861,509.29, carried 3 to 0, with Mr. Slayton and Mr. Bergosh absent for vote.

6. Internal Service Funds

Motion by Mr. Boone, seconded by Mrs. Hightower, to adopt the 2016-2017 tentative Internal Service Funds budget in the amount of \$56,091,081.00, carried 3 to 0, with Mr. Slayton and Mr. Bergosh absent for vote.

7. Total Budget

Motion was made by Mr. Boone and seconded by Mrs. Hightower, to adopt the 2016-2017 tentative total budget in the amount of \$686,069,102.16. Motion carried 3 to 0, with Mr. Slayton and Mr. Bergosh absent for vote.

VI. ADOPTION OF [RESOLUTION NUMBER 2017-01](#) – A RESOLUTION OF THE ESCAMBIA COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE MILLAGE RATES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017

Motion was made by Mr. Boone and seconded by Mrs. Hightower, to adopt Resolution Number 2017-01. Motion carried 3 to 0, with Mr. Slayton and Mr. Bergosh absent for vote.

VII. ADOPTION OF [RESOLUTION NUMBER 2017-02](#) – A RESOLUTION OF THE ESCAMBIA COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD ADOPTING THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017

Motion was made by Mrs. Hightower and seconded by Mr. Boone, to adopt Resolution Number 2017-02. Motion carried 3 to 0, with Mr. Slayton and Mr. Bergosh absent for vote.

VIII. SET DATE, TIME AND LOCATION OF FINAL BUDGET HEARING

As recommended by the Superintendent, the School Board Members who were present, agreed to set the final Budget Hearing for September 15, 2016, beginning at 5:01 p.m., in Room 160, at the J.E. Hall Educational Services Center.

IX. PUBLIC FORUM

Mrs. Moultrie called for public forum; however, there was no one who registered to speak.

X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Special Meeting was adjourned at 5:18 p.m.

Attest:

Approved:

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Superintendent

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Chair