

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
WEST RUSK COUNTY CONSOLIDATED
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
AUGUST 26, 2024

The West Rusk County Consolidated Independent School District Board of Trustees met in the West Rusk CCISD boardroom at 6:00 p.m. The agenda with time and place posted in the required manner.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Sandra Smith, President; Will Sudweeks, Vice President; Iris Hammontree, Secretary; Robert Anderson, Matt Eastwood, Curtis Hughes, and Lorenzo Tavarez.

MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

SCHOOL PERSONAL PRESENT: Lawrence Coleman, Superintendent; Leah Bobbitt, Assistant Superintendent; Gwen Gilliam, Director of Student Services; Mindee Mata, Director of Business Operations; Kevin Roy, Chief of Police; Jake Jackson, High School Principal; Burt Langley, Intermediate Principal; Summer Johnston, High School Secretary; and Jo Ann Cooper, Secretary to the Superintendent.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The board members and the audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

VISITORS: None.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION AGENDA:

23-73 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION (RUSK COUNTY DISASTER DECLARATION) TO SET TAX RATE: After discussion, Robert Anderson moved that the Board approve the Resolution (Rusk County Disaster Declaration) to set tax rate, seconded by Iris Hammontree and unanimously passed.

23-74 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF ROOF BID: Lawrence Coleman, Superintendent, discussed three roof bids for seven roofs. The bids are from Landmark Roofing from Tyler, Texas, for \$796,284; Parsons Roofing from Waco, Texas, for \$1,076,626; and Reneau Roofing & Sheet Metal from Garrison, Texas, for \$634,350.

After discussion, Will Sudweeks made a motion to approve the bid from Landmark Roofing for \$796,284 for the seven roofs, seconded by Curtis Hughes and unanimously passed.

23-75 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF SPECIAL EDUCATION BUS BID: Lawrence Coleman, Superintendent, requested three special education bus bids and shared the bids with the board. Bids were received from National Bus Sales, Tulsa, Oklahoma, for \$86,900; American Bus, Collinsville, Oklahoma, for \$95,955; and Patrick Delashmutt, Regional Sales Manager for Master Transportation, sent an email stating they do not have a bus in stock matching our specifications.

After discussion, Matt Eastwood, made a motion to accept the bid from Landmark Roofing for \$796,284, seconded by Iris Hammontree and unanimously passed.

END OF YEAR AMENDED BUDGET 2023-24

APPROPRIATIONS

<u>FUND</u>	<u>FUNCTION</u>		<u>BEGINNING</u> <u>BUDGET</u>	<u>AMENDMENTS</u>	<u>ENDING</u> <u>BUDGET</u>
181	36	ATHLETICS	\$ 794,515.00	\$ 79,156.00	\$ 873,671.00
199	11	INSTRUCTIONAL	\$ 6,799,222.00	\$ 39,500.00	\$ 6,838,722.00
	12	LIBRARY	\$ 109,228.00	\$ (18,000.00)	\$ 91,228.00
	13	INST STAFF	\$ 8,800.00	\$ (3,000.00)	\$ 5,800.00
	23	CAMPUS LEAD	\$ 1,393,504.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,394,704.00
	31	COUNSELING	\$ 265,071.00	\$ (5,500.00)	\$ 259,571.00
	33	NURSING	\$ 102,775.00	\$ 4,600.00	\$ 107,375.00
	34	TRANSPORATION	\$ 697,746.00	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 797,746.00
	36	EXTRA CURRR	\$ 106,000.00	\$ 36,056.00	\$ 142,056.00
	41	ADMINISTRATION	\$ 784,367.00	\$ (7,000.00)	\$ 777,367.00
	51	PLANT OPER	\$ 1,515,073.00	\$ 278,000.00	\$ 1,793,073.00
	52	CAMPUS POLICE	\$ 107,610.00	\$ 29,000.00	\$ 136,610.00
	53	IT SERVICES	\$ 140,553.00	\$ 7,175.00	\$ 147,728.00
	71	DEBT SERV	\$ 38,643.00	\$ -	\$ 38,643.00
	99	TAX APPRAISAL	\$ 98,500.00	\$ 6,248.00	\$ 104,748.00
			<u>\$ 12,167,092.00</u>	<u>\$ 468,279.00</u>	<u>\$ 12,635,371.00</u>
240	35	FOOD SERVICE	\$ 916,108.00	\$ 160,000.00	\$ 1,076,108.00
599	71	DEBT SERV	\$ 1,050,488.00	\$ (7,000.00)	\$ 1,043,488.00
799	41	WORKERS' COMP	\$ 70,000.00	\$ (12,000.00)	\$ 58,000.00
		TOTAL	\$ 14,998,203.00	\$ 688,435.00	\$ 15,686,638.00

REVENUE

FUND

181	ATHLETICS	\$ 78,085.00	\$ 54,440.00	\$ 132,525.00
199	LOCAL REVENUE	\$ 3,419,407.00	\$ 19,842.00	\$ 3,439,249.00
199	STATE REVENUE	\$ 9,296,135.00	\$ (206,559.00)	\$ 9,089,576.00
240	FOOD SERV LOCAL	\$ 30,000.00	\$ -	\$ 30,000.00
	FOOD SERV STATE	\$ 1,053,155.00	\$ (132,446.00)	\$ 920,709.00
599	DEBT SERV	\$ 1,538,152.00	\$ 92,000.00	\$ 1,630,152.00
799	WORKERS' COMP	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 30,305.00	\$ 100,305.00
	TOTAL	\$ 15,484,934.00	\$ (142,418.00)	\$ 15,342,516.00

WEST RUSK COUNTY CISD BUDGET 2024-25

M&O REVENUE

FUND		\$	
181	ATHLETIC	99,738.00	
199	LOCAL REVENUE	3,303,229.00	
199	STATE REVENUE	9,835,439.00	
240	FOOD SERV LOCAL	30,000.00	
	FOOD SERV STATE	1,053,360.00	
TOTAL REVENUE		\$ 14,321,766.00	

M&O APPROPORATIONS

FUND	FUNCTION	\$	TOTAL
181	36	783,136.00	
			\$ 783,136.00
199	11	6,577,929.00	
	12	101,791.00	
	13	5,850.00	
	23	1,442,242.00	
	31	83,903.00	
	33	110,374.00	
	34	733,051.00	
	36	121,600.00	
	41	813,700.00	
	51	2,093,256.00	
	52	109,179.00	
	53	145,221.00	
	71	38,833.00	
	99	104,800.00	
			\$ 12,481,729.00
240	35	1,056,901.00	
			\$ 1,056,901.00
TOTAL APPROPORATIONS			\$ 14,321,766.00

OTHER REVENUE

599	DEBT SERVICE	\$ 1,322,119.00
799	WORKERS' COMP	\$ 70,000.00

OTHER APPROPORATIONS

599	71	\$ 1,049,025.00
799	41	\$ 70,000.00

PROPOSED TAX RATE

M & O	0.6992
I & S	<u>0.29</u>
TOTAL	0.9892

- 23-76 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR DISTRICT FLEET, PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURANCE WITH HIBBS HALLMARK FOR 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR: After discussion, Will Sudweeks made a motion to approve the contract with Hibbs Hallmark for district fleet, property and casualty insurance for \$279,808.21 for the 2024-2025 school, seconded by Robert Anderson and unanimously passed.
- 23-77 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF AMENDED BUDGET FOR 2023-2024 FISCAL SCHOOL YEAR: Iris Hammontree made a motion to accept the 2023-2024 amended budget as presented, seconded by Curtis Hughes and unanimously passed.
- 23-78 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF 2024-2025 BUDGET: Robert Anderson made a motion to approve the 2024-2025 budget as presented, seconded by Will Sudweeks and unanimously passed.
- 23-79 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF 2024-2025 TAX RATE: After discussion, Curtis Hughes made a motion to approve 0.6992 for maintenance and operations (M&O), 0.29 for Interest and sinking (I&S), for a total tax rate of 0.9892 for 2024-2025, seconded by Will Sudweeks and unanimously passed.
- 23-80 DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL TO CHANGE BOARD MEETING DATES FROM JANUARY 20, 2025, TO JANUARY 27, 2025, DUE TO MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY; FEBRUARY 17, 2025, TO FEBRUARY 24, 2025, DUE TO PRESIDENTS' DAY; MARCH 17, 2025, TO MARCH 24, 2025, DUE TO BAD WEATHER DAY; APRIL 21, 2025, TO April 28, 2025, DUE TO BAD WEATHER DAY; AND CHANGE AUGUST 18, 2025, TO AUGUST 25, 2025, DUE TO BUDGET DATE REQUIREMENTS: Will Sudweeks made a motion to change board meeting dates as listed above, seconded by Robert Anderson and unanimously passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION AND ACTION RESULTING FROM SESSION:
The Board went into executive session and no action resulted.

ADJOURNMENT: Sandra Smith, President, said there is no further business and adjourned the meeting.

Sandra Smith, President

Iris Hammontree, Secretary