

MINUTES OF THE JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING – February 1, 2021

A joint meeting of the Budget Committee and Education Committee convened on Monday, February 5, 2025 at 4:30 p.m. electronically via WebEx platform. Budget Committee members present on the call were Chairman Paul Webb, Commissioners Chas Morton, Judy Herbert, Barb Sturgeon and Mayor Anderson. Education Committee members present included Tom Tunncliffe, Brian Beathard, Betsy Hester, Chad Story, Keith Hudson and Robbie Beal. Matt Williams was unable to attend.

Also present on the call were: Nena Graham, Budget Director; Diane Giddens, Chief of Staff; Creed Henderson, WCTV Director; Jason Golden, WCS Superintendent; Rachel Farmer, WCS; and other interested individuals.

Chairman Webb called the meeting to order at approximately 4:30 p.m.

Chairman Webb stated:

“This meeting is being held pursuant to Executive Order 71 issued by the Governor of the State of Tennessee. It is being held electronically due to the need to protect health, safety and wellbeing of the citizenry and without objection, will proceed in that manner. As such, all members of the committee must be able to hear the Chairman and each other. If you cannot hear other members, please notify the Chairman immediately. All votes will be done by roll call and when you speak to a matter, please identify yourself. This meeting is available to the public on public access TV and is streaming live on YouTube.”

Resolution 2-21-1: Resolution Requesting the Williamson County Board of County Commissioners Approval of \$2,806,800 for the Purchase of Buses for the 2021-22 School Year.

Education Committee:

Commissioner Hudson made a motion to recommend approval of this resolution, seconded by Commissioner Hester.

Budget Committee:

Commissioner Sturgeon made a motion to recommend approval of this resolution, seconded by Commissioner Morton.

Discussion: Dr. Golden reported to the Committee that this resolution is requesting 19 replacement and 4 General Education busses, and 4 replacement busses and 1 growth Special Education bus. The replacement busses are based off of State regulations.

Education Committee: The motion passed unanimously, 6-0.

Budget Committee: The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Resolution 2-21-2: Resolution Amending the 2020-21 General School Budget \$234.735 and Transferring 15 Teachers Assistant Positions from Federal to General Purposed due to Inadequate Federal Funds.

Education Committee: Commissioner Story moved, seconded by Commissioner Beathard to recommend approval of the resolution.

Budget Committee: Commissioner Sturgeon made a motion to recommend approval of this resolution, seconded by Commissioner Herbert.

Discussion: Dr. Golden reported to the Committee that this resolution is requesting these funds for high cost students due to inadequate federal funds. The amount of the state funds that are received each year, varies from year to year.

Education Committee: The motion passed unanimously, 5-0 with 1 abstain from Commissioner Beal.

Budget Committee: The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Resolution 2-21-3: Resolution Requesting an Inter-category Transfer to Provide Additional Funding for Legal Expenses.

Education Committee: Commissioner Hester moved, seconded by Commissioner Story to recommend approval of the resolution.

Budget Committee: Commissioner Sturgeon made a motion to recommend approval of this resolution, seconded by Commissioner Herbert.

Education Committee: The motion passed unanimously, 6-0.

Budget Committee: The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

The Education Committee adjourned at approximately 4:58pm.

Budget Committee Only.....

Minutes:

Minutes from the January 4th Budget Committee Meeting. Commissioner Sturgeon made a motion to recommend approval of this resolution, seconded by Commissioner Herbert. The minutes passed unanimously, 5-0.

Transfers:

- 1) Clerk and Master: Transfer of \$1000 from Part-time Pay to Overtime Pay. Commissioner Herbert made a motion to recommend approval the transfer, seconded by Commissioner Sturgeon. Motion passed unanimously, 5-0.
- 2) Sheriff's Office: Transfer of \$13,000 from Advertising to Laundry and Cleaning. Commissioner Sturgeon made a motion to recommend approval the transfers, seconded by Commissioner Herbert. Transfer passed unanimously, 5-0.
- 3) Parks & Rec: Transfer of \$34,135 from Full Time Admin Clerks to Full time Parks/Facilities Maintenance and \$85.630 from Full Time Parks/Facilities to Full time Assistants. Transfer pulled from the agenda. No vote.
- 4) Finance Department: \$680 from In Service/Staff Development to Advertising. Commissioner Sturgeon made a motion to recommend approval the transfer, seconded by Commissioner Herbert. Motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Resolution 2-21-4: Resolution Appropriating and Amending the 2020-21 Library Budget by \$67,758.33 – Revenues to Come from Donations, Contributions and Fines.

Commissioner Sturgeon made a motion to recommend approval of this resolution, seconded by Commissioner Herbert. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Resolution 2-21-5: Resolution Of The Williamson County Board Of Commissioners To Amend Section 13.2 Of The Education Impact Fee In Accordance With The Authority Granted By The Provisions And In Accordance With Chapter 120 Of The Private Acts Of 1987, Concerning Residential Development On The Need For New And Expanded Education Facilities.

Commissioner Herbert made a motion to recommend approval of this resolution, seconded by Commissioner Sturgeon. Mr. Joe Horne explained to the Committee that the reason the Education Impact Fee is being amended is due to the parameter being set where appeals needed to be heard between 30-45 days which created a very short window for these appeals to be heard. The Board of Zoning and Appeals was meeting every other week in order to keep up. If passed, this resolution would allow the board to meet only every month instead of every week. Mr. Moseley, County Attorney, added that the Impact Fee and schedule is not changing, only giving the BZA the ability to push the meeting dates a little longer and allowing time for them to hear more appeals during one meeting. This will allow for more efficiency during meetings. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Resolution 2-21-6: Resolution Authorizing The Williamson County Mayor To Execute An Agreement To Purchase Unimproved Property Located At 6644 New Town Road, College Grove, Tennessee (Typos will be completed before going to the Commission Meeting)

Commissioner Herbert made a motion to recommend approval of this resolution, seconded by Commissioner Sturgeon. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Resolution 2-21-7: Resolution Appropriating and Amending the Requesting an Inter-category Transfer to Provide Additional Funding for Legal Expenses.

Commissioner Sturgeon made a motion to recommend approval of this resolution, seconded by Commissioner Herbert. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

2021-22 Budget Guidelines:

Commissioner Herbert made a motion to approve the 2021-22 Budget Guidelines, seconded by Commissioner Morton. After being asked by Commissioner Herbert, Mayor Anderson stated that he is comfortable with the 4% pay increase for several reasons in which he explained. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

With no further business to review, the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Webb at approximately 5:30pm.