

BOARD MEETING MINUTES
OLDHAM COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION
AUGUST 30, 2018

The Oldham County Board of Education met in a special-called session at the Arvin Education Center on Thursday, August 30, 2018. The following school board members were present at the meeting: (1) Joyce Fletcher, Board Chairperson; (2) Kevin Woosley, Vice-Chairperson; (3) Walt Schumm, Board Member; (4) Larry Dodson, Board Member; and, (5) Patrick Kehoe, Board Member. Greg Schultz, Superintendent and Secretary to the Board, was also present.

- I. Chairperson Fletcher called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
- II. Chairperson Fletcher called for a motion to approve the special-called meeting agenda; motioned by Walt Schumm, seconded by Larry Dodson, and unanimously carried; the Board approved the August 30, 2018, special-called meeting agenda. (5-0)

III. CONSENT ITEMS (A & B)

Following the Superintendent’s recommendation to approve consent agenda items A & B, Chairperson Fletcher called for motions to approve. Motion made by Kevin Woosley, seconded by Patrick Kehoe, and unanimously carried; the Board approved consent agenda items A & B as submitted (5-0).

- (a) Approved a shortened school week request for a student at North Oldham Middle School from August 27, 2018, through approximately February 28, 2019.
- (b) Approved a lease agreement and authorizing the Superintendent & Secretary of the Board or his designee to execute the agreement with Jefferson Community & Technical College for use of existing classroom and administrative space at the Oldham Co. Schools Arts Center for the Adult Education Program. The lease agreement is for one year with option of renewal through June 30, 2021

IV. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT – no action taken, information taken under advisement.

Stephanie Anderson, Chief Finance Officer, along with Superintendent Schultz, provided the Board with available tax rates (per \$100 of assessed value) from the Kentucky Department of Education as follows:

	<u>Real Property</u>		<u>Personal Property</u>	
	Without Exonerations	With Exonerations	Without Exonerations	With Exonerations
1) Compensating	75.5	75.8	77.7	78.0
2) Subsection (1)	79.7	80.0	79.7	80.0
3) 4%	78.5	78.8	78.5	78.8
4) Tier I (HB 940)	66.4	66.7	66.4	66.7

Ms. Anderson also provided the Board with information on the District’s current Real & Tangible Personal Property tax rates as 77.7 with the allocation outlined below:

General Fund	55.3	Building Fund	22.4
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And, the District’s current Motor Vehicles and Utilities rates as:

Motor Vehicle (General Fund)	64.3	Utilities (General Fund)	3.0%
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Ms. Anderson proposed the Superintendent’s recommendation to adopt option #3, a 4% increase for property taxes (a FY19 tax rate of 78.8 for both Real Property and Tangible Personal Property), and that the motor vehicle tax rate remain at 64.3 cents, with a 3% utility tax.

V. **PUBLIC HEARING**

Chair Fletcher announced that the Board would conduct a public hearing in accordance with KRS 160.470, to hear from those who wish to make comment pertaining to the Superintendent's report. Vice Chairperson Woosley read the Board's policy on public expression and with the consensus of the Board, allotted three-minutes per individual addressing the Board. Chairperson Fletcher called on public expression registrar, Jonathan Wosoba, for the list of individuals registered to speak. Chairperson Fletcher called the following individuals to the floor to address the Board, all of whom expressed concerns with the proposed tax rate increase: David Lorenz, Larry Kiser, Laura Parker, Dewey Wotring, and Shawn Tapp.

In response to the concerns shared by the public, the members of the Board, the Superintendent, Ms. Anderson, Finance Officer, and Leslie Robertson, Director of Academic Support advised the public of the following:

- *Acknowledged & responded to an error in the decreased funding for preschool on the OCS budget impacts infographic.*
- *Advised that while county property value assessments show increases, the State then reduces SEEK funding for that county to disperse to other counties in the State. And, that the Board continues to meet with Legislators each year to review this process.*
- *Directed the public to contact their Legislator, that the State continues to reduce school district funding and continue to mandate unfunded programing.*

VI. **ACTION ITEM**


(c) Chairperson Fletcher called for a motion to adopt the Superintendent's recommended tax rates for FY19; on a motion by Kevin Woosley, seconded by Larry Dodson, carried by Joyce Fletcher, and with Walt Schumm opposed; the Board adopted the following tax rates for FY19 (4-0; 1 opposed):

- A tax rate increase of 1.1 cents to 78.8 cents per \$100 assessed value for both Real Property and Tangible Personal Property with the allocation of such tax rate being: General Fund 56.4, and Building Fund 22.4.
- Motor Vehicle Tax Rate of 64.3 cents per \$100 of assessed value
- Utility Tax Rate of 3.0%

VII. With no further business to discuss and acting on a recommendation from Superintendent Schultz to adjourn, Chairperson Fletcher called for a motion and a second to adjourn. On motion by Walt Schumm, seconded by Kevin Woosley, and unanimously carried, the Board adjourned the August 30, 2018, special-called meeting at 7:24 p.m. (5-0)



Joyce Fletcher, Board Chairperson



Greg Schultz, Ed.S
Superintendent & Secretary to the Board