PLUMMER-WORLEY JOINT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 44

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

The special July 5, 2022, meeting of the PWSD Board of Trustees was called to order at 1:08 p.m. by Chairman Paul Daman. Board members present were Michelle Grossglauser, Tami Gauthier, Ida Gustin, Paul Daman, Jan Mitchell, Chris Smith, and Marlow Thompson.

Also present was Russ Mitchell, Karyn Stockdale, and Bonnie Voves.

The board was presented with Resolution No. 2022-03 (Exhibit "A") detailing the ballot language and financial estimates for the supplemental levy for the August 30, 2022, election. Mr. Mitchell explained the detail required by new legislation taking effect July 1, 2022. This has been changed slightly from the previous levy due to increased costs in some areas.

Purpose	**Portion of Levy Funds Allocated**
Safety and Security Measures	$25,000 - Exterior Door Replacement $ 5,000 - Security Camera Replacement $30,000 - Subtotal for Safety and Security Measures
Maintenance	$50,000 - Middle School Roof Updates $50,000 - Replace Single Pane Windows $17,500 - LED Lighting Replacement in student occupied areas $117,500 - Subtotal for Maintenance Expenses
Athletics & Athletic Transportation	$100,000 - Athletic Personnel $ 20,000 - Transportation for Athletics (Buses and Drivers) $120,000 Subtotal for Athletics & Athletic Transportation
Staffing	$240,000 – Elementary Classroom Teachers $ 80,000 – Counselor $ 40,000 - Library Staff $360,000 - Subtotal for Staffing Expenses
ANNUAL LEVY AMOUNT	$627,500/ year
TOTAL LEVY AMOUNT FOR TWO YEARS	**$1,255,000.00**

Originally, we had planned to buy a server from levy funds. The district was able to get approval from SDE to buy the server with ESSER funds, but the security cameras have increased in cost. Additionally, the district is planning replace exterior doors which don't open or close properly (original from 1967). These doors are very expensive to replace because they are actually constructed into the brick building.

Maintenance expenses include $117,500 per year for the middle school roof, replacement of single pane windows, and LED lighting replacement in student occupied areas.

Athletics is budgeted at $120,000 per year for personnel and transportation. This amount has not changed from the previous levy requests. This doesn't include officials, equipment, uniforms, drug tests, etc. Those expenses come from gate receipts or other fund-raising efforts. Discussion was held. Gate receipts don't cover all of the expenses so some of this has to come from ASB reserves.

Staffing is estimated at $240,000 for elementary classroom teachers, $80,000 for a counselor, and $40,000 for library staff, for a total of $360,000 per year. The total amount of the proposed levy is $627,500 per year for a total of $1,255,000. This is still less than approved in 2019. The amount per thousand is $52.83 per $100,000 of taxable assessed value per year, based upon current conditions. This is less than the $82.17 per $100,000 of taxable assessed value per year which was requested earlier this year. The difference in the per thousand figure is due to the counties having reassessed properties recently. Mr. Mitchell stressed that what is being asked is for essential services. There is no fluff in this request. JR Gustin heard on the news that all school districts nationwide are short on teachers because teachers are quitting because of lack of school security.

Mr. Thompson asked when the next bond is paid off. Mr. Mitchell said it should be paid off during the 2022-23 school year. Mr. Thompson asked when we should look at a bond to fix some of the maintenance issues that are being deferred. Mr. Mitchell reminded everyone that a bond requires 66.67 percent approval.

Marlow Thompson moved to approve Resolution No. 2022-03 as presented to be voted upon August 30, 2022. Chris Smith seconded. All members voted yes. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned 1:51 p.m.

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Paul Daman, Chairman Karyn Stockdale, District Clerk

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