

Springfield, Georgia  
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June

The Effingham County Board of Education met in special session for a budget hearing on June 16, 2022 at 6:00PM with the following members present: F. Lamar Allen, Vickie Decker, Lynn Anderson, and Jan Landing. Ben Johnson was not present.

Lynn Anderson opened the meeting with an invocation.

F. Lamar Allen led meeting participants in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board members voted 4-0 to adopt the meeting agenda with no additions or deletions in a motion by Jan Landing and a second by Vickie Decker. This and all subsequent votes are exclusive of Ben Johnson as he was not present for the meeting.

Dr. Yancy Ford led the discussion regarding the FY23 budget. He shared a summary of the FY23 budget both with a roll back and no roll back millage rate. He outlined current budget details and the factors that have caused the budget to increase since last year (increased student enrollment, step increase in certified salary, \$3 hourly increase for all classified salaries, new positions, increased fuel costs for school district vehicles, etc). Based on the increased budget and anticipated expenditures, he is recommending a no roll back millage rate for FY23.

Dr. Ford opened the floor for questions from Board members. No members of the general public attended the meeting. Mr. F. Lamar Allen asked why the district is not rolling back the millage rate. Dr. Ford responded that the growth in our district this past year is a primary factor for the no-rollback recommendation. Student enrollment has increased, and further growth is expected due to new industry in the county. New jobs will bring in more families, and we need to prepare financially to ensure we have quality teachers and optimal teacher to student ratios. There were no other questions.

With no further business, Board members voted 4-0 to adjourn the meeting at approximately 6:15pm in a motion by Lynn Anderson and a second by Jan Landing.

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F. Lamar Allen, Board Chair

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Dr. Yancy Ford, Superintendent