

**Somerset County Vocational Board of School Estimate
Tuesday, March 28, 2023 at 3:30 p.m.**

**Public Hearing on the Proposed School Budget
For the 2023-2024 School Year
Meeting Agenda**

I. CALL TO ORDER

Pledge of Allegiance

A public meeting of the Board of School Estimate, called pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:22-11 for the purpose of a Public Hearing on the Proposed Budget for the 2023-2024 school year for the Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools, and also pursuant to the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.

Adequate notice of this meeting was given in accordance with the requirement of the New Jersey Open Public Meeting Act, Ch. 231, P.L. 1975 and published in The Courier News on March 23, 2023.

II. ESTABLISHMENT OF BOARD OF SCHOOL ESTIMATE

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:54-27 the Board of School Estimate is established as follows:

- 1 – Designated by the Statute
- 2 – Appointed by the Board of County Commissioners
- 2 – Appointed by the Board of Education

Commissioner Director Robinson	– Designated by the Statute
Commissioner Deputy Director Singleterry	– Appointed by the Board of County Commissioners
Commissioner Marano	– Appointed by the Board of County Commissioners
Board President Lalevee	– Appointed by the Board of Education
Board Member Taylor	– Appointed by the Board of Education

The Secretary of the Board of Education shall be the Secretary of the Board of School Estimate, but shall receive no compensation as such.

ROLL CALL

Commissioner Director Robinson	_____
Commissioner Deputy Director Singleterry	_____
Commissioner Marano	_____
Board President Lalevee	_____
Board Member Taylor	_____

III. DELIVERY OF PROPOSED BUDGET

Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:54-28, and under cover of letter of March 24, 2023 the Board Secretary of the Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools forwarded to each member of the Board of School Estimate an itemized statement showing the tentative amount of money estimated to be necessary for the Current Expenses and for repairing and furnishing schools or buildings of the School District for the 2023-2024 school year.

IV. ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD OF SCHOOL ESTIMATE

To facilitate the orderly conduct of business and meeting of the Board of School Estimate, it is appropriate that one member be designated as Chairperson of the Board.

V. SEATING OF CHAIRPERSON FOR 2023

Call for nominations of a chairperson for the Board of School Estimate.

_____ nominated by: _____ seconded by: _____

Motion to close nominations and cast an affirmative ballot in favor of _____ as chairperson of the Board of School Estimate for 2023

Motion by: _____ **Seconded by:** _____

ROLL CALL

Commissioner Director Robinson	_____
Commissioner Deputy Director Singleterry	_____
Commissioner Marano	_____
Board President Lalevee	_____
Board Member Taylor	_____

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 28, 2022

Motion by: _____ Second by: _____

RESOLVED, that the Minutes of the March 28, 2022 Board of School Estimate – Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools be approved.

VOTE: Yes: _____ No: _____

VII. PRESENTATION OF PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2023-24

Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools
Mr. Robert Presuto, Superintendent of Schools
Ms. Raelene Sipple, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

VIII. PUBLIC INPUT

IX. ACTION OF THE BOARD

A. ADOPTION OF THE 2023-24 SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET

Motion by: _____ second by: _____

RESOLVED, Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:54-29 that exclusive of the amount to be received from the State as provided in N.J.S.A. 18A:54-32, this Board of School Estimate determined the amount of money necessary to be appropriated for the use of the Somerset County Vocational & Technical Schools for the 2023-2024 school year to be \$12,404,110 for the General Current Expense. Total Budget including special revenues in the amount of \$1,027,799 and a withdraw from capital reserve of \$3,887,200, is \$20,604,481 and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:54-29.1 that the Board Secretary is directed to prepare certificates of the amount for delivery to the Board of Education and the Board of County Commissioners for assessment, levy and collection.

ROLL CALL

Commissioner Director Robinson _____
Commissioner Deputy Director Singleterry _____
Commissioner Marano _____
Board President Laveve _____
Board Member Taylor _____

B. ADOPTION OF THE 2023 COUNTY CAPITAL ALLOCATION

Motion by: _____ second by: _____

RESOLVED, that the 2023 county capital allocation of \$100,000 be adopted contingent upon county funding and is subject to change. Addendum #1

ROLL CALL

Commissioner Director Robinson _____
Commissioner Deputy Director Singleterry _____
Commissioner Marano _____
Board President Laveve _____
Board Member Taylor _____

X. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by: _____ second by: _____ to adjourn the Board of School Estimate meeting at _____.

VOTE: Yes: _____ No: _____