

April 25, 2022

The Stillwater Board of Education met on April 25, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the Stillwater School All Purpose Room for a Public Hearing on the 2022-2023 School Budget.

The meeting was called to order by Dennis DeGroat at 7:01 p.m. In accordance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law, the 2022-2023 budget hearing and regular meeting notice appeared in the New Jersey Herald on April 20, 2022. Notices were posted in the Stillwater School, Town Hall, Stillwater Post Office, Middleville Post Office, Swartswood Post Office and the Stillwater School Website.

Mr. DeGroat led the flag salute. The following Board members were present: Mr. DeGroat, Mrs. Galante, Mrs. Thibault, Mrs. Williver, Mr. Franek, Mrs. Kraft, Mrs. Frey, and Mrs. Voris.

Absent: Mrs. LoCascio.

Also present were William Kochis, Superintendent, René Metzgar, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Marissa Cramer, Principal/Supervisor of CST and Special Education/Basic Skills, and members of the public.

PUBLIC HEARING 2022-2023 BUDGET PRESENTATION

Presented by Dr. Kochis & Mrs. Metzgar- Reviewed 2021-2022 school highlights, introduced proposed 2022-2023 budget with detailed revenues and expenditures. Focused on program changes, building projects, state aid, and tax impact. The presentation is attached to the minutes.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

*This public session is designed for members of the public to speak on items for Board consideration. By law, the Board of Education is under no obligation to respond to public comment. If the Board of Education chooses to respond, it does not waive its right thereafter not to respond. Members of the public are asked to state their name and address for the record. ***Members of the public are requested to keep their comments to a maximum of 5 minutes. ***

None.

BUDGET & FINANCE

1. Motion to approve the final 2022-2023 school budget was made by Mrs. Thibault, second by Mrs. Kraft.

WHEREAS, the tentative budget was approved by the Board of Education on March 21, 2022, and no changes are required for the adoption of the final 2022-2023 budget;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED to adopt the 2022-2023 school district budget as follows:

<u>Expenditures</u>		<u>Revenues</u>	
Charter School	<u>\$66,804</u>		
General Current Expense	<u>\$5,800,035</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	
Capital Outlay	<u>\$298,390</u>	..Budgeted Fund Balance	\$350,158
Special Revenue Fund	<u>\$916,030</u>	..Local Tax Levy	\$4,809,148
Repayment of Debt	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	..Capital Reserve	\$ 284,600
		..Capital Reserve Int.	\$ 500
		..Maintenance Reserve	\$49,000
		..Maintenance Res. Int.	\$200
		..Misc Revenue	\$2,000
		..Tuition	\$6,800
		..State Aid	\$661,823
		...SEMI	\$1,000
		Total General Fund:	\$6,165,229
Total Expenditures	<u>\$7,081,259</u>	<u>Special Revenue Fund</u>	
		..Federal & State Aid	\$916,030
		<u>Debt Service</u>	\$0.00
		Total Revenue	<u>\$7,081,259</u>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following GENERAL FUND tax levy be approved to support the 2022-2023 budget:

General Fund Tax Levy \$4,809,148

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Stillwater Township Board of Education approves the use of \$106,240 in Banked Cap which will support instructional costs in the 2022-2023 fiscal year budget.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED as per N.J.A.C 6A:23A-7.3, the proposed budget provides for a maximum expenditure amount that may be allotted for travel and expense reimbursement. The maximum amount of travel and expense reimbursement for the 2022-2023 budget is \$10,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, budgeted withdrawal from Maintenance Reserve in the amount of \$49,000 is for maintenance items. The total costs of these projects is \$49,000, which represents expenditures for concrete & masonry work for various areas inside and outside of the building.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that included in line 600, Budgeted Withdrawal from Capital Reserve is \$284,600 for other capital projects. The total costs of these projects is \$284,600, which represents expenditures for the structural masonry project, lighting upgrades, and the design phase for the ventilation upgrades, that are in addition to the facilities efficiency standards determined by the Commissioner as necessary to achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards.

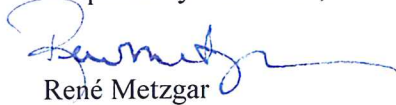
This proposed budget includes sufficient funds to provide curriculum and instruction which will enable all students to achieve the Core Curriculum Content Standards, and is in compliance with N.J.S.A. 18A and N.J.A.C. Title 6 and 6A.

Motion approved by roll call vote, Mrs. Williver-Aye; Mrs. Frey-Aye; Mrs. Voris-Aye; Mrs. Kraft-Aye; Mr. Franek-Aye; Mrs. Thibault-Aye; Mrs. Galante-Aye; Mr. DeGroat-Aye.

ADJOURN

Motion made by Mrs. Thibault, second by Mr. Franek to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 p.m. A voice vote was taken and unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,



René Metzgar
Business Administrator/Board Secretary