

**Stafford R-VI Board of Education  
Regular Meeting  
August 22, 2024**

Vice President Kim Edwards called the public meeting to order at 5:45pm. Those present were Kim Edwards, Brian Smithson, Ashley VanHorn, Dr. Mark Hedger, Dr. Michelle Gardner, Bailey Owens, Doug Fields, Marcy Easterly, Shauna Wiertzema, Luke Rhodes and Kristi Taylor. ABSENT: Dan MacLachlan and Brandon Taylor.

Scott Kraus arrived at 5:49pm. Marci Brown, CJ August and John Luce arrived at 5:51pm.

Vice President Kim Edwards declared the public hearing adjourned at 6:00pm and called the regular meeting to order. Those present were Kim Edwards, Scott Kraus, Brian Smithson, Ashley VanHorn, Dr. Mark Hedger, Dr. Michelle Gardner, Bailey Owens, Dr. Ashley Bough, Marci Brown, Doug Fields, Marcy Easterly, Shauna Wiertzema, Luke Rhodes, Michael Sly, Tyler Clark, John Luce and Kristi Taylor. ABSENT: Dan MacLachlan and Brandon Taylor.

The Board and attendees observed a moment of silence and stated the Pledge of Allegiance.

The motion was made by Scott Kraus to approve the agenda as presented. Ashley VanHorn seconded. Carried 4-0.

The motion was made by Ashley VanHorn to approve the appointment of Luke Rhodes to the remaining year term. Brian Smithson seconded. Carried 4-0. Ashley VanHorn administered the Oath of Office to Luke Rhodes.

Tyler Clark and Michael Sly, SRO's, reviewed the Safety Program Evaluation with the Board.

John Luce gave an update on the early childhood center building project. John Luce, Tyler Clark and Michael Sly left the meeting at 6:08pm.

Dr. Hedger reviewed the CSIP update with the Board.

The motion was made by Scott Kraus to approve the following items on the consent agenda:

- Approval of Bills and Payroll;
- Transfer from General Revenue Fund to Special Revenue Fund in the amount of \$0;
- Treasurer's Report;
- Approval of the FY24 Annual Secretary of the Board Report;
- Set the 2024 Tax Levy as follows:
  - Unadjusted General           \$3.10
  - Unadjusted Debt Service   \$1.00
  - Adjusted General             \$3.10
  - Adjusted Debt Service       \$0.70;
- Approval of the August Monthly Personnel Report (Except Ann Kraus);
- Approval of Overnight Trip Request;
- Set the October Board Meeting for October 22, 2024 at 6:00pm.

Ashley VanHorn seconded. Carried 5-0.

Ashley VanHorn made the motion to approve the July 23, 2024 minutes. Brian Smithson approved. Carried 4-0-1 (Luke Rhodes).

Ashley VanHorn made the motion to hire Ann Kraus as a substitute. Brian Smithson seconded. Carried 4-0-1 (Scott Kraus).

The motion was made by Scott Kraus to approve the Local Compliance Plan. Brian Smithson seconded. Carried 5-0.

Dr. Hedger reviewed the MSBA 2024B Policy Update and Facilities Planning and Financing with the Board.

Brian Smithson made the motion to approve to post notice for Request for Qualifications for a Facility Assessment & Master Plan. Scott Kraus seconded. Carried 5-0.

Administrator Reports were presented by Bailey Owens (ECC), Dr. Ashley Bough (Elementary), Marci Brown (Middle School), Doug Fields (High School) and CJ August (Special Education). The Registrar and Communications Reports were presented by Marcy Easterly. Dr. Mark Hedger presented the Superintendent Report including the auditor schedule and an enrollment update.

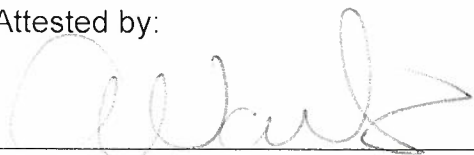
The motion was made by Ashley VanHorn to enter into executive session at 6:59pm as allowed under Section 610.021 (3) for a closed meeting with closed record and closed vote discussions of personnel. Dr. Hedger asked that Student Discipline (6) also be added to the agenda. Scott Kraus seconded. YEA: Kim Edwards, Scott Kraus, Luke Rhodes, Brian Smithson and Ashley VanHorn. NAY: None. ABSENT: Dan MacLachlan and Brandon Taylor.

The Board came out of executive session at 7:10pm.

The motion was made by Luke Rhodes to adjourn at 7:10pm. Seconded by Kim Edwards. YEA: Kim Edwards, Scott Kraus, Luke Rhodes, Brian Smithson and Ashley VanHorn. NAY: None. ABSENT: Dan MacLachlan and Brandon Taylor.

  
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Dan MacLachlan, President

Attested by:

  
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Ashley VanHorn, Secretary

**NOTICE OF OPEN PUBLIC MEETING**  
**Section 610.020**  
**Revised Statutes of Missouri**  
**Meeting of the Board of Education of the Strafford R-VI School District**

Notice is hereby given that an open public meeting of the Board of Education of the Strafford R-VI School District will be held at the place on the date and at the time set forth below, to wit;

**PLACE:** Board Room – Central Office  
**DATE:** August 22, 2024  
**TIME:** 5:45pm – Tax Levy Meeting  
6:00pm – Board Meeting

**REGULAR MEETING – 6:00pm**

**CALL TO ORDER**

1. Moment of Silence/Pledge of Allegiance
2. Approval of Agenda

**BOARD APPOINTMENT**

3. Appointment of New Board Member
4. Oath of Office

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

5. Buxton Kubik Dodd Construction Update
6. Program Evaluations
  - a. Safety
7. CSIP Update

**CONSENT ITEMS**

8. Approval of July 23, 2024 Minutes
9. Approval of Bills and Payroll
10. Transfer from General Revenue Fund to Special Revenue Fund
11. Treasurer's Report
12. Approval of the Annual Secretary of the Board Report
13. Set the 2024 Tax Levy
  - a. Unadjusted Tax Levy
  - b. Adjusted Tax Levy
14. Monthly Personnel Report
15. Approval of Overnight Trip Request
16. Set the October 2024 Board Meeting Date

**DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

17. Local Special Education Compliance Plan
18. MSBA 2024B Policy Update
19. Facilities Planning & Financing

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

20. Administrator Reports
21. Comments

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** The following items will be discussed in executive session as allowed under Section 610.021 (3) for a closed meeting with closed record and closed vote.

22. Personnel



**Stafford R-VI School District**  
*Office of the Superintendent*  
201 W. McCabe  
Strafford, MO 65757  
(417)736-7000  
(417)736-7016 (fax)

Dr. Mark D. Hedger, Superintendent of Schools  
Dr. Michelle Gardner, Assistant Superintendent  
Stacy Austin, Payroll Specialist  
Marcy Easterly, Communications Director  
Shauna Wiertzema, Administrative Assistant

**Stafford Board of Education:**  
Dan MacLachlan, President  
Kim Edwards, Vice President  
Ashley VanHorn, Secretary  
Scott Kraus, Treasurer  
Brian Smithson, Member  
Brandon Taylor, Member

## **Stafford R-VI Board of Education**

### **Oath of Office**

I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support the constitution of the United States and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of school director in and for the Stafford R-VI School District, County of Greene, State of Missouri, to the best of my ability, according to law, so help me God.

Member Signature

Sworn to and subscribed to before me this 22nd day of August, 2024.

Secretary  
Stafford Board of Education

**July 31, 2024**

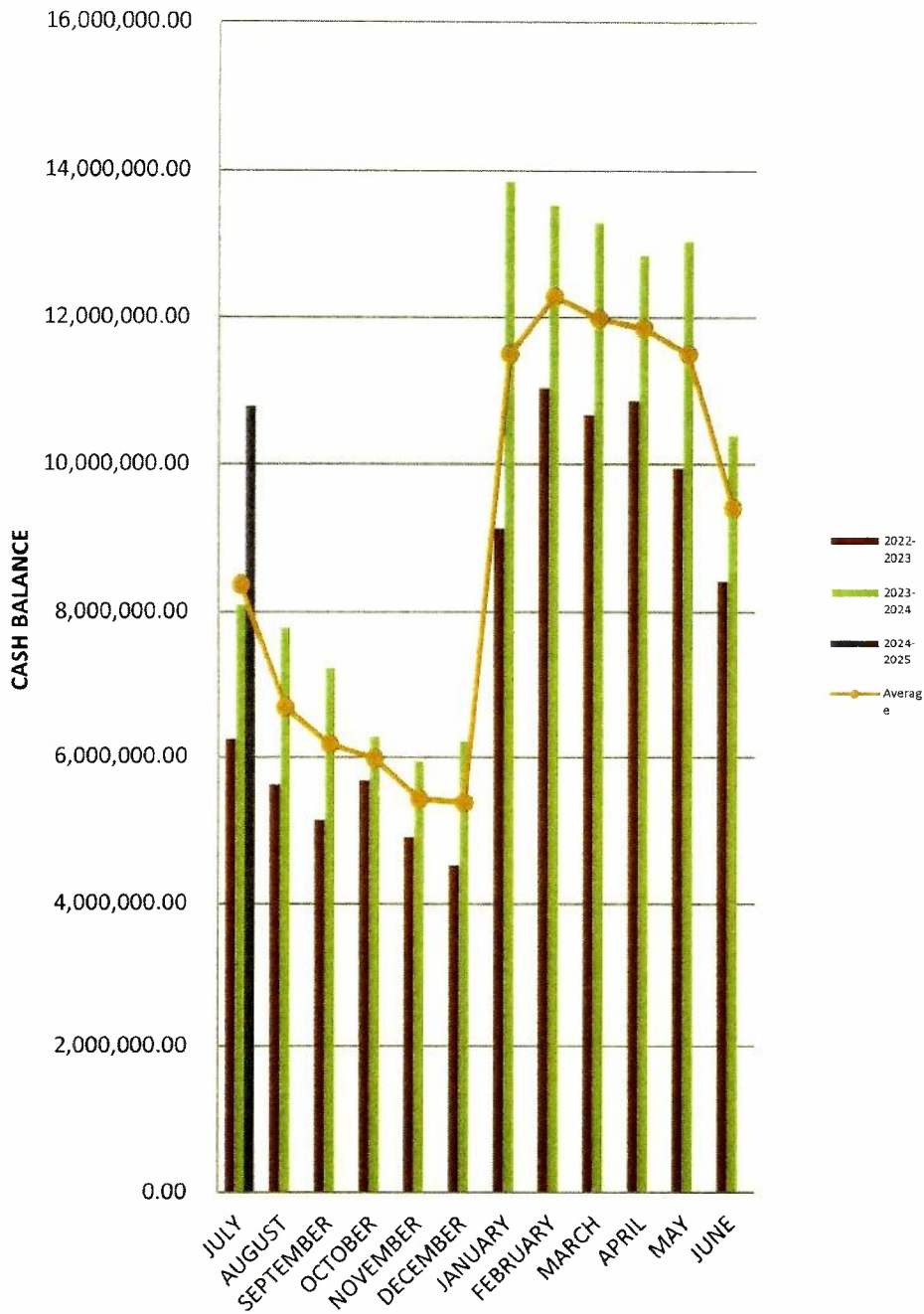
<b>Cash Balances:</b>	Operating Funds	Teachers Funds	Debt Service Funds	Capital Proj Funds	Total
O'Bannon					
General Funds (0.75%)	405,462.52				405,462.52
Money Market (4%)	606,547.27				606,547.27
Revolving Funds (4%)	10,000.00				10,000.00
CD (5.30%)	2,532,671.23				2,532,671.23
MOSIP					
MAX Account (5.21%)	3,138,199.83	567,152.50		2,237,804.79	5,943,157.12
Bond Account (5.21%)				3,417,121.23	3,417,121.23
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>6,692,880.85</b>	<b>567,152.50</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>5,654,926.02</b>	<b>12,914,959.37</b>
Debt Service Act. (4%)			1,276,883.11		1,276,883.11
<b>Total Bank Funds</b>	<b>6,692,880.85</b>	<b>567,152.50</b>	<b>1,276,883.11</b>	<b>5,654,926.02</b>	<b>14,191,842.48</b>
MOHEFA			1,002,385.56		1,002,385.56
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>6,692,880.85</b>	<b>567,152.50</b>	<b>2,279,268.67</b>	<b>5,654,926.02</b>	<b>15,194,228.04</b>

<b>Fund Balances:</b>	Operating Fund	Teachers Fund	Debt Service Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Total Fund Balances
	6,692,880.85	567,152.50	2,279,268.67	5,654,926.02	15,194,228.04

	YTD	LYTD	Difference
Total Revenue	853,955.91	10,892,901.38	(10,038,945.47)
Total Expenditures	356,644.66	822,495.39	(465,850.73)

	Revenue	Expense
Local Revenue	(1,635.09)	(132,947.53) Salaries and Benefits
County Revenue	55.97	(32,258.70) Contracted Services
State Revenue	170,266.77	(72,342.31) Supplies
Federal Revenue	(207,633.12)	(10,906.88) Equipment
Non Current Revenue (Bond)	(10,000,000.00)	(264,600.00) Bond Pmts & Int
Received From Other Districts	0.00	47,204.69 Bond Issue & FEMA
	(10,038,945.47)	(465,850.73)

## CASH FLOW COMPARISON W/O BOND MONEY OR MOHEFA



2023 BOND ISSUE

Date	Rev	Exp	Total	MOSIP Int	Grand Total
07/31/24	\$3,449,187.08	\$47,204.69	\$3,401,982.39	\$15,138.84	\$3,417,121.23
08/31/24			\$3,417,121.23		\$3,417,121.23
09/30/24			\$3,417,121.23		\$3,417,121.23
10/31/24			\$3,417,121.23		\$3,417,121.23
11/30/24			\$3,417,121.23		\$3,417,121.23
12/31/24			\$3,417,121.23		\$3,417,121.23
01/31/25			\$3,417,121.23		\$3,417,121.23
02/28/25			\$3,417,121.23		\$3,417,121.23
03/31/25			\$3,417,121.23		\$3,417,121.23
04/30/25			\$3,417,121.23		\$3,417,121.23
05/31/25			\$3,417,121.23		\$3,417,121.23
06/30/25			\$3,417,121.23		\$3,417,121.23
		\$47,204.69		\$15,138.84	

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A hearing will be held at 5:45 PM on Thursday, August 22, 2024 at Strafford R-VI Schools in the central office at which citizens may be heard on the property tax rates proposed to be set by Strafford R-VI School District. The tax rates are set to produce the revenues which the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2024, show to be required from the property tax rate. Each tax rate is determined by dividing the amount of revenue needed by the current assessed valuation. The result is multiplied by 100, so the rate will be expressed in cents per \$100 valuation.

Assessed Valuation (By Categories)	Prior Year 2023	Current Year 2024
Real Estate:	\$218,382,129	\$243,151,560
Personal Property:	\$ 94,691,045	\$ 101,598,149
	\$313,073,174	\$344,749,709

The following tax rates are proposed:

Fund	Amount of Property Tax Budgeted	Proposed Tax Rate
General Revenue	\$10,687,241	\$3.10
Debt Service Revenue	\$2,413,248	\$ .70
	\$13,100,489	\$3.80

Estimated Increase in Tax Revenue Due to New Construction: \$1,075,867

Estimated Increase in Tax Revenue Due to Reassessment: \$0

Board of Education  
Strafford R-VI School District  
Ashley VanHorn, Secretary  
August 14, 2024

Please publish Wednesday, August 14, 2024





Strafford R-VI School District  
Personnel Report  
August 2024

**PROFESSIONAL / CERTIFIED STAFF**

Resignations/Retirements:		
Name	Position	Notes
None		

Hiring Recommendations:		
Name	Position	Notes
None		

Transfer Recommendations:		
Name	Position	Notes
None		

Extra Duty Recommendations:		
Name	Position	Notes
Nick Burghardt	Assistant Jr. High Football Coach	2024-25 School Year
Ashley Evans	Video Board/Media	2024-25 School Year
Brenda Grass	Speech & Debate Coach	2024-25 School Year

**SUPPORT STAFF**

Resignations/Retirements/Separation:		
Name	Position	Notes
John Brashears	Part-Time Custodian	
Lacey Griffin	Part-Time Custodian	
Tabitha Martin	Part-Time Custodian	

Transfer Recommendations:		
Name	Position	Notes
None		

Hiring Recommendations:		
Name	Position	Notes
Colleen Andrews	Substitute	2024-25 School Year
Trish Bailey	Substitute	2024-25 School Year
Joseph Brown	Substitute	2024-25 School Year
Tiffany Butters	Substitute	2024-25 School Year
Alexandra Cade	Substitute	2024-25 School Year
Georgia Carmichael	Cafeteria	2024-25 School Year
Laurel Crockett	Substitute	2024-25 School Year
Gregory Dlabach	Substitute	2024-25 School Year
Breanna Dye	Daycare	2024-25 School Year
Esther Fetters	Substitute	2024-25 School Year
Lisa Hager	Substitute	2024-25 School Year
Shannon Hardin	Substitute	2024-25 School Year
JoAnn Jirik	Substitute	2024-25 School Year
Dianne Joy	Substitute	2024-25 School Year
June Keagy	Substitute	2024-25 School Year
Tracey Kittleman	Substitute	2024-25 School Year
Ann Kraus	Substitute	2024-25 School Year
Danette LaFollette	Substitute	2024-25 School Year
Stephanie LaFollette	Substitute	2024-25 School Year
Anna Leininger	Substitute	2024-25 School Year
Sierra Long	ECC Paraprofessional	2024-25 School Year
Natalie Lurvey	Substitute	2024-25 School Year
Jessica Martindale	Substitute	2024-25 School Year
Judith Meier	Cafeteria	2024-25 School Year
Sally Modica	Special Education Administrative Assistant / Part-time	2024-25 School Year
Kellye Muncy	Substitute	2024-25 School Year
Michael Navarro	Daycare	2024-25 School Year
Katie Patterson	Substitute	2024-25 School Year
Karen Ruff	Custodian	2024-25 School Year
Deanna Scott	Custodian	2024-25 School Year
Samantha Shinn	Substitute	2024-25 School Year
Cynthia Shook	Substitute	2024-25 School Year
Karina Stroud	Substitute	2024-25 School Year
Vicki Tate	Substitute	2024-25 School Year
Tiffany Trogdon	Substitute	2024-25 School Year
Patty Villapiano	Substitute	2024-25 School Year
Diane Vlasin	Substitute	2024-25 School Year
Lindsey Williams	Custodian	2024-25 School Year
Pamela Williams	Cafeteria	2024-25 School Year
Lita Yarberry	Bus Driver	2024-25 School Year



MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION  
OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION-COMPLIANCE

**LOCAL COMPLIANCE PLAN CERTIFICATION STATEMENT**

SCHOOL DISTRICT NAME <b>Strafford R-VI</b>		COUNTY-DISTRICT CODE <b>039-137</b>
DISTRICT CONTACT <b>CJ August</b>	DISTRICT PHONE NUMBER <b>(417) 736-7000</b>	DISTRICT FAX NUMBER <b>(417) 736-7016</b>

**INSTRUCTIONS**

Complete the Adoption and Certification sections below. The form must be signed by the Board President, Superintendent, and Compliance Plan Contact.

**Submit form via MAIL or FAX to:** Special Education Compliance  
Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education  
PO Box 480  
Jefferson City, MO 65102 or Fax 573-751-3910

**QUESTIONS:** Contact Special Education Compliance at 573-751-0699 or [secompliance@dese.mo.gov](mailto:secompliance@dese.mo.gov)

**ADOPTION**

The Responsible Public Agency has chosen the following (check only one) in regard to adoption of a local plan for compliance with state and federal regulations implementing the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA):

Option A: Adopt the Model Compliance Plan made available by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE).

Option B: Adapt the Model Compliance Plan made available by the Department with agency revisions. All pages on which revisions have been made to the Model Compliance Plan with highlighted revisions are enclosed. These revisions must be approved by DESE before the agency's plan becomes final.

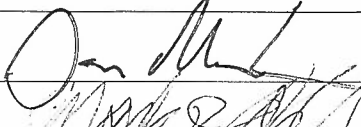
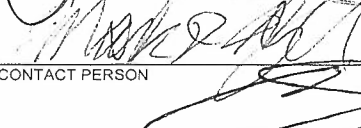

Option C: Agency developed Compliance Plan (plan enclosed for DESE's approval).

**CERTIFICATION**

The Responsible Public Agency assures that the agency's Compliance Plan and applicable state and federal regulations constitute the basis for operation and administration of the activities to be carried out in the agency under Part B of the IDEA, to provide special education services for all children with disabilities between the ages of three (3) and twenty-one (21) who meet the eligibility criteria as stated in this plan and under the jurisdiction of the agency.

The Responsible Public Agency assures that programs administered under Part B of the IDEA are in accordance with the assurances provided in 34 CFR 76.301 of the General Education Provision Act (GEPA) and that federal funds made available under Part B of the IDEA are used in accordance with the excess cost and maintenance of fiscal effort and comparable services requirements of 34 CFR Sections 300.202 - 300.205 of the federal regulations governing the IDEA.

The local compliance plan was adopted by the Governing Board of the agency on 08/22/24 (mm/dd/yy)

SIGNATURE OF BOARD PRESIDENT 	DATE <b>08/22/24</b>
SIGNATURE OF SUPERINTENDENT 	DATE <b>08/22/24</b>
SIGNATURE OF COMPLIANCE PLAN CONTACT PERSON 	DATE <b>08/22/24</b>

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