

WESTSIDE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS ~ DISTRICT 66

Board of Education FY24 Budget Amendment Public Hearing Minutes ~ August 19, 2024

A Public Hearing for a 2023-2024 Budget Amendment for Westside Community Schools, School District 66, was convened by the Board of Education in open and public session on August 19, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., at Westside High School, 8701 Pacific St., Omaha, Nebraska.

Board members present:

Dana Blakely, President
Adam Yale, Vice President
Sarah Rider, Secretary
Kris Karnes, Treasurer
Meagan Van Gelder, Treasurer-Elect
Beth Morrissette, Director

Notice of the public hearing was given in advance by publication in *The Daily Record* and appeared August 16 and 19, 2024, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes. Notice of the public hearing was also posted on the district website beginning on August 6, 2024. Notice of this public hearing and the availability of the agenda was simultaneously given to all members of the Board of Education and available to anyone at the Board of Education offices. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened public hearing was open to the attendance of the public.

District Staff in Attendance: Mike Lucas, Mark Weichel, Andrea Haynes, Brian Gabriel, Nick Lesiak, Molly Hurley, Kim De La Cruz, Kami Jessop, Kelcy Tapp, Laura Mann, Garret Higginbotham, Kayla Neumann.

Others in Attendance*: Ann Christiansen, Diane Cahill, Chris Bilau, Rebecca Murraray. *Members of the public are not required to identify themselves to attend. Attendee names appearing in these minutes are those who signed a voluntary sign-in sheet.

Ms. Blakely called the Public Hearing to order at 6:00 p.m. She welcomed the audience and confirmed with Ms. Hurley that public notice had been given of the meeting under the Nebraska Open Meetings Act, and that a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was posted at the meeting, as required by law. She acknowledged that the meeting had been publicly announced and the agenda and supporting documents dealing with issues being discussed during the public hearing were available. Board member attendance is noted above.

Ms. Blakely stated that the purpose of the Public Hearing was to hear support, opposition, or observations relating to the proposed budget amendment(s) for the 2023-2024 fiscal year for School District 66.

Mr. Brian Gabriel, District Officer of Business and Finance, reported that there is only one amendment necessary to the FY24 budget. In the School Nutrition Fund, due to higher than anticipated food and supply costs and unexpected equipment repairs, he will be requesting that the budgeted disbursements and transfers (expenses) be increased by \$1,000,000. Mr. Gabriel reminded the board and those in attendance that this change to the FY24 budget does not require a change to the District's FY24 tax rates.

Board approval of this adjustment will be sought at the regular Board of Education Meeting immediately following this public hearing.

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Ms. Blakely invited questions or comments from the Board, as well as from those in attendance. Hearing none, the public hearing was adjourned at 6:03 p.m. Copies of the Executive Summary and the original and amended budgets are included in the Board Meeting documents folder.



Sarah Rider, Board of Education Secretary

NOTICE OF AMENDED BUDGET HEARING AND AMENDED BUDGET SUMMARY

Westside Community Schools (28-0066) in Douglas County, Nebraska

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, in compliance with the provisions of State Statute Section 13-511, that the governing body will meet on the 19th day of August, 2024, at 6:00 PM at 8701 Pacific St, Omaha, NE 68114 for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to amending the budget which was originally adopted on the 18th day of September, 2023. Due to unforeseen circumstances, actual expenditures in certain funds for the current fiscal year will exceed budgeted expenditures unless the current fiscal year budget of expenditures is revised. None of the proposed budget adjustments will change the District's tax rates for District residents. In the School Nutrition Fund, higher than expected expenditures for food and general supply costs as well as unexpected equipment repairs will cause expenditures to be \$1,000,000 higher than originally budgeted. The originally adopted level of expenditures cannot be reduced during the remainder of the current fiscal year to meet the need for additional budget in the amount of time left before year-end. The budget detail is available at the school district office of Westside Community Schools during regular business hours.

Sarah Rider

Secretary

AMENDED BUDGET

FUNDS	Actual Disbursements & Transfers	Actual/Estimated Disbursements & Transfers	Budgeted Disbursements & Transfers	Necessary Cash Reserve (4)	Total Available Resources Before Property Taxes (5)	Total Personal and Real Property Tax Requirement (7)
	2020-2021 (1)	2021-2022 (2)	2022-2023 (3)			
General	\$ 85,804,862.98	\$ 88,799,593.08	\$ 98,742,264.00	\$ 24,685,566.00	\$ 82,007,510.08	\$ 41,838,706.92
Depreciation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	
Employee Benefit	\$ 201,204.50	\$ 120,015.73	\$ 150,000.00	\$ -	\$ 150,000.00	
Contingency	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	
Activities	\$ 1,698,002.44	\$ 2,100,000.00	\$ 2,500,000.00	\$ 587,804.91	\$ 3,087,804.91	
School Nutrition	\$ 7,507,979.79	\$ 7,605,000.00	\$ 8,442,700.00	\$ 768,436.55	\$ 9,211,136.55	
Bond	\$ 6,877,612.76	\$ 6,666,385.26	\$ 9,763,493.00	\$ 8,129,787.54	\$ 7,466,786.22	\$ 10,531,812.32
Special Building	\$ 1,221,996.54	\$ 2,707,240.58	\$ 23,850,000.00		\$ 21,100,000.00	\$ 2,777,778.00
Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Cooperative	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Student Fee	\$ 184,416.06	\$ 181,000.00	\$ 250,000.00	\$ -	\$ 250,000.00	
TOTALS	\$ 103,496,075.07	\$ 108,179,234.65	\$ 143,698,457.00	\$ 34,171,595.00	\$ 123,273,237.76	\$ 55,148,297.24

	Bond Purposes	Non-Bond Purposes	Total
Breakdown of Property Tax	\$ 10,531,812.32	\$ 44,616,484.92	\$ 55,148,297.24

ADOPTED BUDGET

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**WESTSIDE COMMUNITY SCHOOL
DISTRICT 66
PUBLIC HEARING & BOARD MEETING**

Notice is hereby given of a Budget Amendment Public Hearing and Board of Education Meeting for the Westside Community School District 66, Douglas County, in the State of Nebraska, to be held **August 19, 2024**, at **6:00 p.m.** at **Westside High School, 8701 Pacific St., Omaha, NE**. The Public Hearing will begin at 6:00 p.m.; **the regular Board Meeting will begin immediately following adjournment of the Public Hearing**. The agendas, continually kept current, are available at the District Office. The meeting is open to the public.

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