

WESTSIDE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS ~ DISTRICT 66

Board of Education FY23 Budget Public Hearing Minutes ~ September 6, 2022

A public hearing on the 2022-2023 budget for Westside Community Schools was held in open and public session on September 6, 2022, beginning at 6:00 p.m., at the District Administration Office - ABC Building - 909 S. 76th Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

Board members present:

- Meagan Van Gelder, President
- Beth Morrisette, Vice President
- Kris Karnes, Secretary
- Dana Blakely, Treasurer
- Adam Yale, Treasurer-Elect
- Doug Krenzer, Director

Notice of this budget hearing and required information was given by publishing advance notice in *The Daily Record* in Omaha, Nebraska prior to the hearing (August 29-31; September 1-2 and 5-6, 2022), confirmation of which is attached to the official minutes. Advance notice also appeared on the front page of the District's website beginning on August 16, 2022, and appeared continuously up through the start of this public hearing, a copy of which is attached to the official minutes, as authorized by Board Policy 1220. Notice of this meeting 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 office. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

District Staff in Attendance: Mike Lucas, Mark Weichel, Brian Gabrial, Molly Hurley, Nick Lesiak, Kami Jessop, Kelcy Tapp, Kim De La Cruz, Erin Vik, Becky Lowther, Kira Mclean, Lauren Kestel, Sandra Fey.

Others in Attendance*: Mike Coyle, Diane Cahill. *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.

At 6:03 p.m. Dr. Van Gelder called the public hearing to order. Board member roll call was taken and attendance is noted above. Dr. Van Gelder 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 was available to any interested parties.

Purpose of Hearing

Dr. Van Gelder announced that the purpose of the public hearing is to hear support, opposition, or observations relating to the proposed budgets for School District 66 for the 2022-2023 fiscal year. Mr. Brian Gabrial, District Officer of Business and Finance, reviewed expected budget expenditures for both levy and non-levy funds for FY23.

Levy Funds:

FY23 levy fund amounts: General fund - \$95,768,577; Employee Benefits fund - \$200,002; Bond Debt Service fund - \$6,673,885; and Special Building fund - \$2,230,801. The total for levy funds for FY23 is \$104,873,265. This is an increase of \$4,876,719 (4.88%) from the FY22 amended budget of \$99,996,546 for total levy funds.

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Non-Levy Funds:

FY23 non-levy fund amounts: Nutrition Services - \$7,088,657; Activities - \$2,000,000; Enterprise - \$526,530; and Student Fees - \$250,000. The total for non-levy funds for FY23 is \$9,865,187. This is a decrease of \$25,130 (0.25%) from the FY22 budget of \$9,890,317 for total non-levy funds.

Dr. Lucas stressed that, even with an increase to the General Fund Reserves and a reduction in the tax levy rate for the fourth year in a row, District leadership and the Board of Education do not take these positives for granted. They will continue to make wise and thoughtful decisions that balance the needs of taxpayers and the district. The Public Hearing on the proposed property tax levy will be held at 6:00 p.m. on September 19, 2022, prior to the Board of Education Meeting. The board vote to adopt the FY22 budget will occur at the September 19, 2022, Board of Education Meeting. The budget is due to the state auditor, the county clerk and NDE on September 30, 2022. Copies of Mr. Gabriel's Executive Summary, PowerPoint and the State of Nebraska Budget Form are included in the public hearing documents folder. The public hearing was adjourned at 6:19 p.m.



Kris Karnes, Secretary, Board of Education

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING AND BUDGET SUMMARY

Westside Community Schools (28-0056) in Douglas County, Nebraska

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, in compliance with the provisions of State Statute Sections 13-501 to 13-513, that the governing body will meet on the 8th day of September, 2022 at 6 o'clock, PM, at 309 South 76th Street, Omaha, NE for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to the following proposed budget and to consider amendments relative thereto. The budget detail is available at the office of the Clerk/Secretary during regular business hours. For more information on statewide receipts and expenditures, and to compare cost per pupil and performance to other school districts, go to: <https://nep.education.ne.gov>

FUNDS	Actual Disbursements & Transfers	Actual/Estimated Disbursements & Transfers	Budgeted Disbursements & Transfers	Necessary Cash Reserve	Total Available Resources Before Property Taxes	Total Personal and Real Property Tax Requirement
	2020-2021 (1)	2021-2022 (2)	2022-2023 (3)	(4)	(5)	(7)
General	\$ 79,411,038.18	\$ 86,400,000.00	\$ 95,768,577.00	\$ 17,820,802.26	\$ 66,622,123.01	\$ 47,239,652.78
Depreciation	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Employee Benefit	\$ 265,518.81	\$ 202,022.86	\$ 200,002.19	\$ -	\$ 200,002.19	\$ -
Contingency	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Activities	\$ 1,238,640.94	\$ 1,550,000.00	\$ 2,000,000.00	\$ 703,037.34	\$ 2,703,037.34	\$ -
Enterprise	\$ 693,826.62	\$ 530,000.00	\$ 526,530.00	\$ 562,277.63	\$ 1,088,807.63	\$ -
School Lunch	\$ 5,786,447.21	\$ 6,900,000.00	\$ 7,088,657.00	\$ 1,588,559.98	\$ 8,777,216.98	\$ -
Bond	\$ 17,036,431.93	\$ 6,877,612.76	\$ 6,673,885.26	\$ 4,666,581.41	\$ 6,337,457.86	\$ 5,053,544.25
Special Building	\$ 1,189,529.23	\$ 180,000.00	\$ 2,230,800.70	\$ -	\$ 565,800.70	\$ 1,767,676.77
2015 Phase I Construction	\$ 6,877,828.31	\$ 830,943.30	\$ 8,935.73	\$ -	\$ 8,935.73	\$ -
Qualified Capital Purposes Underwriting	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Cooperative	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Student Fee	\$ 69,116.51	\$ 181,267.00	\$ 250,000.00	\$ -	\$ 250,000.00	\$ -
TOTALS	\$ 112,568,177.74	\$ 103,651,845.92	\$ 114,747,387.88	\$ 25,241,258.62	\$ 86,553,381.44	\$ 54,060,873.80

Breakdown of Property Tax:

Bond Purposes: \$ 5,053,544.25 Non-Bond Purposes: \$ 49,007,329.55 Total: \$ 54,060,873.80

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being duly sworn, deposes and say that they are the
PUBLISHER and/or LEGAL EDITOR

of THE DAILY RECORD, of Omaha, a legal newspaper, printed and published daily in the English language, having a bona fide paid circulation in Douglas County in excess of 300 copies, printed in Omaha, in said County of Douglas, for more than fifty-two weeks last past; that the printed notice hereto attached was published in THE DAILY RECORD, of Omaha, on August 29,

30, & 31, 2022 & September 1 & 2, 2022

That said Newspaper during that time was regularly published and in general circulation in the County of Douglas, and State of Nebraska.
GENERAL NOTARY - State of Nebraska
PAYTON LUNDBERG
My Comm. Exp. June 30, 2028

Publisher's Fee \$ 330.76 me this September 20 day of 22
Additional Copies \$ 338.76
Total \$ 669.46
Notary Public in and for Douglas County,
State of Nebraska

**WESTSIDE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
NOTICE OF MEETING**

Notice is hereby given of a Board of Education FY23 Budget Public Hearing and Board Meeting for the Westside Community School District 66, Douglas County, in the State of Nebraska, to be held **September 6, 2022, 6:00 p.m.** The meetings will be held at the District Office, 909 S. 76th St., Omaha, NE. The Public Hearing will begin at 6:00 p.m.; the regular Board Meeting will immediately follow adjournment of the Public Hearing. The agendas, continually kept current, are available at the District Office. The meetings are open to the public.

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September 2,

5, & 6, 2022

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 **GENERAL NOTARY - State of Nebraska**
PAYTON LUNDBERG
My Comm. Exp. June 30, 2026
Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 6th day of September 2022
Additional Copies \$ 36.21
Total \$ _____
Payton Lundberg
Notary Public in and for Douglas County,
State of Nebraska

- Board Meeting

The undersigned hereby certifies that a Notice of Board Meeting, a copy of which is attached hereto, was placed on the home page of the website of Westside Community Schools (www.westside66.org) beginning on August 16, 2022 and that it appeared there continuously up through the time of the scheduled board meeting.

Name _____

Title

STATE OF NEBRASKA)
) ss.
COUNTY OF DOUGLAS)

Before me, a Notary Public, qualified in and for said County and State, personally came Kim Sedivy, known to me to be the identical person, and signed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged the execution of this document to his or her voluntary deed.

Notary Public