

March 16, 2020

The Board of Education of the County of Kanawha met in Statutory Session on Monday, March 16, 2020 at the Board of Education Building, Charleston, West Virginia. The meeting was called to order by Board President Ryan White at 3:00 p.m.

**PRESENT**

Ryan White, President (via phone)  
Ric Cavender, President Pro Tem (via phone)  
Becky J. Jordon (via phone)  
Jim J. Crawford, Sr.  
Tracy White (via phone)  
Ronald E. Duerring, Secretary

Debra J. Lewis, Recording Secretary

**ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF**

Melanie Meadows, Treasurer, Budget & Finance  
Tom Williams, Deputy Superintendent  
Briana Warner, Communications Director

## **PRESENTATION OF SCHEDULE OF PROPOSED LEVY RATES**

This purpose of this meeting is for me to read to you the schedule of proposed levy rates. In accordance with WV Code 11-8-9 and 11-8-12 each county Board of Education is to meet between March 7th and 28th to ascertain the fiscal condition of the Board and to introduce a statement of the proposed property tax levy rates to the Board for approval on March 17, 2020.

The regular levy rates will be 19.40 for Class I property, 38.80 for Class II property, 77.60 for Class III property and 77.60 for Class IV property for FY 2020-21.

As of March 16, 2020, the State Legislature has not informed the counties of a change in the regular levy rates from the prior year. By the November 6, 2018 excess levy ballot, the excess levy rates will be 21.91 for Class I property, 43.82 for Class II property, 87.64 for Class III property and 87.64 for Class IV property for FY 20-21. The excess levy rates in the prior year 2019-20 were 21.91 for Class I property, 43.82 for Class II property, 87.64 for Class III property and 87.64 for Class IV property. A Board decision regarding the excess levy will be made on Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at 12 Noon at 200 Elizabeth Street Charleston so an approved copy of the proposed levy rate schedule can be sent to the State Auditor and the West Virginia Department of Education. By the November 6, 2018 excess levy ballot property tax revenues will be generated in support of the Public Library for FY 2020-21 in the net amount of \$3,157,897. The excess levy rates will be 1.04 for Class I property, 2.08 for Class II property, 4.16 for Class III property and 4.16 for Class IV property. Although this excess levy is strictly for the support of the Public Library the Public Library does not have the authority to act as a levying body so the Kanawha County Board of Education acts as the levying body on behalf of the Public Library. A Board decision regarding this excess levy will be made on Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at 12 Noon at 200 Elizabeth Street Charleston so an approved copy of the proposed levy rate schedule can be sent to the State Auditor and the West Virginia Department of Education.

The funds affected by changes in the assessed property values for excess levies include the Current Expense Fund and the Public Library Fund. The assessed property values are obtained from a Certificate of Valuation issued by the County Assessor's Office by March 3<sup>rd</sup> every year. For FY 20-21, assessed values are \$10,49,567,843. For FY 19-20 assessed values was \$9, 882,641,025. For FY 19-20 the budgeted excess levy amount was \$65,111,536. For FY 20-21 the budgeted excess levy amount is \$66,528,387 a net increase of \$1.4 million over fiscal year 19-20. Because the rates for FY 20-21 will remain the same as FY 19-20 there will be no increase in cost to taxpayers.

## **QUESTIONS/ANSWERS**

None

## **ESTABLISHMENT OF MEETING DATES**

- A. Monday, March 16, 2020, 3:00 p.m. & 3:05 p.m. Budget Workshop-Statutory Session (Presentation of Schedule of Proposed Levy Rates) (Budget Workshop to Follow)
- B. Tuesday, March 17, 2020, 12:00 Noon-Statutory Session (Approval of the Schedule of Proposed Levy Rates)
- C. Thursday, March 19, 2020, 6:00 p.m.-Regular Session
- D. Monday, April 6, 2020, 4:00 p.m.-Special Session
- E. Thursday, April 16, 2020, 6:00 p.m.-Regular Session
- F. Tuesday, April 21, 2020, 12:00 Noon-Statutory Session (Reconvening of March 17, 2020, Meeting to Enter all Levies)
- G. Monday, April 27, 2020, 6:00 p.m.-Statutory Session (Public Hearing on Proposed Budget)
- H. Monday, May 4, 2020, 4:00 p.m.-Special Session
- I. Thursday, May 14, 2020, 6:00 p.m.-Regular Session

NOTE: The above meetings of the Kanawha County Board of Education, unless otherwise indicated, will be held in the Board of Education Building, 200 Elizabeth Street, Charleston, WV.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Ric Cavender moved: That the Statutory Session of the Board be adjourned. Motion was seconded by Mr. Jim J. Crawford and unanimously carried. The Statutory Session was declared adjourned by Board President Ryan White at 3:04 p.m.

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President

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Secretary