

The District School Board of Indian River County met on July 23, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. The special meeting was held in the Teacher Education Center located in the School District Office at the J.A. Thompson Administrative Center located at 1990 25th Street, Vero Beach, Florida 32960. District School Board Members attending were: Chairman Matthew McCain, Vice Chairman Charles G. Searcy, and Board Member Dale Simchick. Dr. Mark J. Rendell, Superintendent of Schools; and Suzanne D'Agresta, School Board Attorney, were also present. Board Members, Claudia Jiménez and Shawn R. Frost were not present.

Meeting Minutes
Tentative 2015/2016 Budget and Millage Rates

- I. Meeting was called to order by Chairman McCain
- II. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag – Chairman McCain
- III. Action Agenda
 - A. Approval of 2015-2016 Proposed Tentative Budget and Millage Rates for the Purpose of Advertising the Budget in Accordance with the Truth-in-Millage Requirements – Mr. Morrison**

The purpose of this action was to authorize the Superintendent to take the necessary steps, including making final adjustments to proposed revenues, expenditure projections, fund balances, and millage rates based on action taken by the Florida Department of Education. This action was necessary in order to advertise the 2015-2016 Proposed Tentative Budget and Millage Rates, along with the proposed Capital Projects to be funded from the capital outlay and debt service millage proceeds in preparation for the Public Hearing to be held on July 28, 2015, at 5:01 p.m. in the Teacher Education Center (TEC). A brief overview and description of the Proposed Tentative Budget and Millage Rates was presented by staff. The attachments were distributed at the meeting. Superintendent recommended approval.

Chairman McCain called for a motion. Mrs. Simchick moved approval of the 2015-2016 Proposed Tentative Budget and Millage Rates for the purpose of advertising the Budget in accordance with the Truth-in-Millage requirements. Mr. Searcy seconded the motion.

Board Members were given an opportunity to ask questions that included an explanation on the difference between the proposed millage and the rolled-back rate, and the decrease in funding if the Board voted to adopt the rolled-back rate.

Mr. Morrison answered their questions and reminded the Board that the action tonight was to give permission to advertise. He said that the Board was not approving the budget or millage rates at this meeting. Mr. Morrison said that if the Board wished to make any changes, Tuesday would be the time for that discussion and time to vote on changes. Mr. Morrison further explained that if the Board did not approve the advertising in accordance with the Truth-in-Millage Calendar, the Board would be in violation of Florida Statute 200 that could potentially jeopardize the funding of the School District for next year. Mrs. D'Agresta further explained that if the Board proposed changes that would increase the millage, the Board would be required to re-advertise and send out new tax notices. If the millage were to be lowered, there would be no requirement to re-notice the property tax payers.

Chairman McCain called for a vote. The Board voted unanimously in favor of the motion with a 3-0 vote.

- IV. Closing Comments
- V. Adjournment – Chairman McCain
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Meeting adjourned at approximately 6:07 p.m.