

The mission of the Washington County School District is to empower all students to become well educated, productive citizens by providing appropriate, high quality, and rigorous educational programs in a safe learning environment.

**FINAL BUDGET HEARING**  
of the  
**WASHINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD**  
For  
**Approval to Set the Millage and Budget**  
**September 15, 2008 – 5:30 p.m.**  
**Board Room - Administration Building**  
**Chipley, Florida**

**MINUTES**

The Washington County School Board met in a public hearing for approval to set the millage and budget. All Board Members, Superintendent Stevenson, and Attorney Gerald Holley were present.

**I. Call to Order/Adoption of the Agenda:** Chairman Brock called the meeting to order and welcomed guests. The agenda was unanimously approved on a motion made by John Hawkins and seconded by Wayne Saunders.

**II. Approval to Set the Final Millage:**

A. **Superintendent/Staff Presentation (Resolution #08-03):** Director of Business Services, Myra Henderson, shared the proposed millage rate of being 3.04% less than the roll-back rate of 7.9157. The total proposed millage rate for 2008-2009 of 7.6750 is less than the 7.6940 levied during 2007-2008. The reason for the decrease is the state REQUIRED LOCAL EFFORT increased from 4.9340 to 5.1770; the DISCRETIONARY millage decreased from 0.5100 to 0.4980; and the CAPITAL OUTLAY millage decreased from 2.0000 to 1.7500 mills.

<b>OPERATING</b>	<b><u>Mills</u></b>
Local Effort	5.177
Discretionary	0.498
Supplemental Discretionary	0.250
<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>	0.000
<b>CAPITAL OUTLAY</b>	<b><u>1.750</u></b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7.675</b>

B. **Public Input – NONE**

**C. Board Action:**

The Required Local Effort of 5.177 was unanimously approved by the Board on a motion made by Wayne Saunders and seconded by John Hawkins.

The Discretionary Millage of 0.498 was unanimously approved by the Board on a motion made by John Hawkins and seconded by Susan Roberts.

The Supplemental Discretionary millage of 0.250 was unanimously approved by the Board on a motion made by Terry Ellis and seconded by John Hawkins.

The Capital Outlay was unanimously approved by the Board on a motion made by Terry Ellis and seconded by Susan Roberts.

**III. Approval of the Final Budget:**

**A. Superintendent/Staff Presentation:** Ms. Myra Henderson, Director of Business Services, presented the schedule showing the budgeted appropriations and fund balances by District, Washington-Special, and the Panhandle Area Educational Consortium. The total budget is \$106,728,821.41 for Fiscal year 2008-2009.

**B. Public Input -** Jay Felder, Washington County News, asked a question about the Less Transfers from General Fund and Capital Projects and how it affects the budget.

**Ms. Henderson, Director of Finance, explained the transfers from the General Fund and the Capital Projects. Within the capital projects budget, there was a budgeted transfer in order to transfer into the general fund. This will be used to offset Washington County's property casualty premiums. It will also include our health and safety monies. From the General Funds a transfer will be made to food service once we sign the contract with Chartwells. To generalize things, the revenues were not sufficient to cover expenses that would be incurred so the District needed to compensate for those particular expenses.**

**C. Board Action:** A motion was made by Susan Roberts and seconded by Wayne Saunders. The Board unanimously approved the Budget for 2008-2009.

**IV. Resolution #08-04:** On a motion made by John Hawkins and seconded by Terry Ellis, the Resolution 08-04 was unanimously approved by the Board documenting the final millage approval prior to the final budget.

**RESOLUTION 08-04**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD ADOPTING THE FINAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008-2009.**

**WHEREAS**, the School Board of Washington County, Florida, did, pursuant to Chapters 200 and 1022, Florida Statutes, approve final millage rates and final budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009; and

**WHEREAS**, the Washington County School Board set forth the appropriations and revenue estimate for the Budget for fiscal year 2008-2009.

**WHEREAS**, at the public hearing and in full compliance with Chapter 200, Florida Statutes, the Washington County School Board adopted the final millage rates and the budget in the amount of \$107,254,548.41 for fiscal year 2008-2009.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:**

That the attached budget of the Washington County School Board, including the millage rate as set forth therein, is hereby adopted by the School Board of Washington County as a final budget for the categories indicated for the fiscal year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009.

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**Vann Brock, Chairman (Signed)**

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**September 15, 2008**  
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V. **Adjourn:** With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

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**Vann Brock, Chairman**

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**Wayne Saunders, Vice-Chairman**

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**John Hawkins**

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**Terry Ellis**

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**Susan G. Roberts**

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**Superintendent/Secretary**