

Blanket Independent School District

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING & SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

Public Hearing about budget & Tax Rate at 6:15pm

Special Board meeting to approve budget and tax rate at 6:30pm

August 28, 2023

Public Hearing for Tax Rate at 6:15PM

I. Call Special Meeting and Establish a Quorum – 6:30 P.M.

A. Invocation

B. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Public Participation

No participation shall exceed five minutes. Delegates of more than five persons shall appoint one person to present their views before the board. The board may not take action unless the item is listed as an agenda item. Board members are obligated only to listen; they are not required to respond unless they so choose.

III. Presentation/Discussion Regarding Action Items

a. Consider/Action to approve Blanket ISD 2023-2024 operating budget.

b. Consider/Action to approve 2023-2024 M&O rate to fund approved budget and approve 2023-2024 I&S to fund debt service part of budget.

c. Consider/Action to amend to 2022-23 budget at the end of Aug. by making all negative function totals positive by moving money from positive function balances or from surplus.

d. Consider/Action to approve adjunct staff member to be granted for the 2023-2024

IV. Date of Next Regular Board Meeting – Sept. 14, 6:30 P.M

The board may, during the course of this meeting, elect to enter into a closed or executive session in accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code, Chapter 551 Subchapters D and E. All final votes or decisions shall be made in Open session.

This notice was posted in compliance with the Open Meeting Law.



David Whisenhunt, Superintendent

10:00 am
8-24-23

Date Posted and Time

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GENERAL FUND
2023-2024
FUND 199

	FUNCTION 11	FUNCTION 12	FUNCTION 13	FUNCTION 23	FUNCTION 31	FUNCTION 33	FUNCTION 34	FUNCTION 35	FUNCTION 36
EXPENDITURES									
6100-Payroll Costs	1,220,886	0	0	144,822	1,484	1,853	42,499	230	99,225
6200-Contracted Services	23,077	2,000	9,622	3,900	0	0	6,250	0	8,000
6300-Supplies and Materials	42,610	6,400	450	2,500	750	1,300	26,500	0	43,500
6400-Other Operating	10,350	0	2,125	2,525	700	500	6,000	0	43,900
6500-Debt Service	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6600-Capital Outlay	2,000	0	0	0	0	0	145,000	0	0
GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES	1,298,923	8,400	12,197	153,747	2,934	3,653	226,249	230	194,625
Prior Year	1,101,500	12,000	8,573	148,387	2,200	3,636	147,005	0	205,221
	FUNCTION 41	FUNCTION 51	FUNCTION 52	FUNCTION 53	FUNCTION 71	FUNCTION 81	FUNCTION 93	FUNCTION 99	TOTALS
6100-Payroll Costs	221,814	81,747	0	52,803	0	0	0	0	1,867,363
6200-Contracted Services	80,400	120,000	0	63,515	15,000	0	0	20,000	351,764
6300-Supplies and Materials	3,000	19,100	0	0	0	0	0	0	146,110
6400-Other Operating	19,700	62,500	0	0	0	0	30,000	0	178,300
6500-Debt Service	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6600-Capital Outlay	0	6,500	0	0	0	0	0	0	153,500
GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES	324,914	289,847	0	116,318	15,000	0	30,000	20,000	2,697,037
Prior Year	214,909	263,093	0	71,849	7,068	25,000	75,000	22,000	2,307,441

*Revenue figured with an ADA of 134

M&O Tax Rate of \$ 0.7104

REVENUES	TOTALS
5700-Local Revenues	906,000
5800-State Revenues	1,603,503
5900-Federal Revenues	50,000
7700-Other Resources	2,559,503
GRAND TOTAL REVENUES	2,559,503
8900-TRANSFER TO FOOD SERVICE	59,766
Fund Balance	
GRAND TOTAL	(197,300)

- Functions:**
- 11-Instruction
 - 12-Instruction Media/Library
 - 13-Staff Development
 - 23-Campus Administration
 - 31-Guidance & Counseling

- 33-Health Services
- 34-Student Transportation
- 35-Food Services
- 36-Cocurricular Activities
- 41-General Administration

- 51-Plant Maintenance
- 52-Security & Monitoring
- 53-Data Processing
- 71-Debt Service
- 72-xxxxxxx

- 81-Facilities Capital Outlay
- 93-Payments to Fiscal Agents
- 99-Other Governmental charges

**DEBT SERVICE
2023-2024
FUND 599**

EXPENDITURES	Function 71
6100-Salaries	0
6200-Contracted Services	0
6300-Supplies and Materials	0
6400-Other Operating	0
6500-Debt Service bond payments	79,852
GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES	79,852

REVENUES	
5700-Local Revenues	79,852
5800-State Revenues	
5900-Federal Revenues	0
7900-Transfer In from General Fund	0
GRAND TOTAL REVENUES	79,852

Fund Balance	0
GRAND TOTAL	0

Function: 71 - Debt Service

**FOOD SERVICE
2023-2024
FUND 101**

EXPENDITURES	Function 35
6100-Payroll Costs	99,766
6200-Contracted Services	700
6300-Supplies and Materials	97,200
6400-Other Operating	700
GRAND TOTAL EXPENDITURES	198,366

REVENUES	
5700-Local Revenues	17,100
5800-State Revenues	1,000
5900-Federal Revenues	120,500
7900-Transfer In from General Fund	59,766
GRAND TOTAL REVENUES	198,366

Fund Balance	0
GRAND TOTAL	0

Function: 35 - Food Service

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE

The _____ Blanket ISD _____ will hold a public meeting at _____ 6:30pm on August 28, 2023 _____ in _____ Administration Building at 901 Avenue H _____ Blankrt, TX 76432 _____.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Maintenance Tax \$.7104 / \$100 (Proposed rate for maintenance and operations)

School Debt Service Tax
Approved by Local Voters \$.06033 / \$100 (proposed rate to pay bonded indebtedness)

Comparison of Proposed Budget with Last Year's Budget

The applicable percentage increase or decrease (or difference) in the amount budgeted in the preceding fiscal year and the amount budgeted for the fiscal year that begins during the current tax year is indicated for each of the following expenditure categories:

Maintenance and operations	<u> 11.1 </u>	% increase	or		_____	% (decrease)
Debt service	<u> 0 </u>	% increase	or		_____	% (decrease)
Total expenditures	<u> 11.1 </u>	% increase	or		_____	% (decrease)

Total Appraised Value and Total Taxable Value (as calculated under Tax Code Section 26.04)

	Preceding Tax Year	Current Tax Year
Total appraised value* of all property	\$ <u> 172,399,033 </u>	\$ <u> 183,145,471 </u>
Total appraised value* of new property**	\$ <u> 1,716,750 </u>	\$ <u> 2,622,600 </u>
Total taxable value*** of all property	\$ <u> 135,545,399 </u>	\$ <u> 128,722,920 </u>
Total taxable value*** of new property**	\$ <u> 1,648,450 </u>	\$ <u> 2,422,479 </u>

* "Appraised value" is the amount shown on the appraisal roll and defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(8).
 ** "New property" is defined by Tax Code Section 26.012(17).
 *** "Taxable value" is defined by Tax Code Section 1.04(10).

Bonded Indebtedness

Total amount of outstanding and unpaid bonded indebtedness* \$ 630,000

* Outstanding principal.

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	<u>Maintenance & Operations</u>	<u>Interest & Sinking Fund*</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Local Revenue Per Student</u>	<u>State Revenue Per Student</u>
Last Year's Rate	\$.8808	\$.06461 *	\$.94541	\$ 7,021	\$ 9,393
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$.69593	\$.05559 *	\$.75152	\$ 5,906	\$ 10,397
Proposed Rate	\$.7104	\$.06033 *	\$.77073	\$ 5,954	\$ 11,126

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	<u>Last Year</u>	<u>This Year</u>
Average Market Value of Residences	\$ 173,323	\$ 185,311
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$ 111,413	\$ 75,463
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$.9451	\$.77073
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$ 1,053	\$ 582
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$ (471)

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Voter-Approval Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is .77073. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the voter-approval rate of .77073.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$ 2,246,318
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$ 0

A school district may not increase the district's maintenance and operations tax rate to create a surplus in maintenance and operations tax revenue for the purpose of paying the district's debt service.

Visit Texas.gov/PropertyTaxes to find a link to your local property tax database on which you can easily access information regarding your property taxes, including information about proposed tax rates and scheduled public hearings of each entity that taxes your property.

The 86th Texas Legislature modified the manner in which the voter-approval tax rate is calculated to limit the rate of growth of property taxes in the state.

WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT 7

August 16, 2023

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service – Brown County
605 Fisk Avenue
Brownwood, Texas 76801

Blanket ISD

Dear David Whisenhunt,

On behalf of the 4-H members of Brown County, we hereby respectfully request approval of the following for the **2023-2024** school year.

- That the 4-H organization, by the attached resolution, be sanctioned as an extracurricular activity.
- That we, as county Extension agents, are granted adjunct faculty staff member status.

The enclosed Resolution regarding Extracurricular Status of the 4-H Organization and Adjunct Faculty Agreement should be presented for consideration at the next scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees. We further request that questions regarding this request be directed to us in a timely manner so that we may prepare and present an appropriate response so as not to delay action on this request. Please return a signed copy of the resolution and adjunct faculty agreement for our files.

Thank you and members of the Board of Trustees for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,



Scott Anderson
County Extension Agent – ANR



Courtney Parrott
County Extension Agent – FCH



Nick Gonzales
County Extension Agent – 4-H



Wendy Hamilton
Extension Agent -Better Living for Texans

Enclosures: Resolution for Extracurricular Status of 4-H Organization
Adjunct Faculty Agreement

**ADJUNCT FACULTY AGREEMENT
THE STATE OF TEXAS: COUNTY OF {COUNTY}**

On this date, at a regularly scheduled and posted meeting, came the Board of Trustees of the Blanket Independent School District, hereinafter referred to as "School District." A quorum having been established; the Board proceeded to consider the appointment of the herein named individual as an adjunct faculty member of the School District.

The State Board of Education passed an amendment to 19 TAC§129.21 (j)(1). Requirements for Student Attendance Accounting for State Funding Purposes allows public school students to be considered "in attendance" when participating in off-campus activities with an adjunct staff member of the school district. Section 3 of the Student Attendance Handbook states:

- (1) The student is participating in an activity that is approved by the local board of school trustees and is under the direction of a member of the professional or paraprofessional staff of the school district, or an adjunct staff member who:
- (A) has a minimum of a bachelor's degree; and
 - (B) is eligible for participation in the Teacher Retirement System of Texas.

Upon consideration and vote of _____ in favor, the individual(s) listed below is/are hereby named as adjunct faculty member(s) of the School District subject to the following considerations and provisions of such appointment to wit:

1. This appointment shall commence on the _____ day of _____, 20____ and remain in effect until the _____ day of _____, 20____, being the end of the current academic year.

2. This appointment will include the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service employees listed below.

Name: Scott Anderson Title: CEA-ANR Degree: Masters - Agriculture Date: 1995 Institution: Sul Ross University

Name: Nick Gonzales Title: CEA - 4-H & Youth Development Degree: Masters - Agriculture Science Date: 2009 Institution: Sam Houston State University

Name: Courtney Parrott Title: CEA - FCH Degree: Masters - Science Date: 2016 Institution: Texas A&M Kingsville

Name: Wendy Hamilton Title: EA - BLT Degree: BS - FCS Date: 1999 Institution: Southwest Texas State

- 3. Adjunct faculty member(s) will receive no compensation, salary or remuneration from the School District.
- 4. Adjunct faculty member is and shall remain an employee, in good standing, of the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service.
- 5. Adjunct faculty member shall be under the direct supervision of the District Extension Administrator of District 7.
- 6. Adjunct faculty member(s) shall receive all group insurance benefits, workman's compensation insurance benefits, unemployment insurance, and any and all other plans for the benefit of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service employees. The School District shall have no responsibility for any of such benefits or plans.

Adjunct faculty member shall direct the activities and participation of students of the School District in sponsored and approved activities as designated from time to time by adjunct faculty member(s) for which notice shall be given to School District administrative personnel. Adjunct faculty members' activities and participation with students of the School District are directed, supervised, and controlled by and through supervisory personnel of Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service pursuant to the supervisory authority of the District Extension Administrator. Adjunct faculty member(s) is not the employee of the School District, and School District does not nor shall not supervise, direct or control the activities and/or participation of such County Extension Agent(s) who have/has been herein designated as an adjunct faculty member.

This appointment is made by the School District by and through the Board of Trustees of said district for the benefit of allowing voluntary student participation in programs conducted by the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service in recognition of the educational benefits arising from such participation and activities and/or directed by the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service. This appointment is made in accordance with the provisions of Section 129.21 (j)(1) of the Texas Administrative Code authorizing the school to deem such participating students in attendance for foundation school program purposes.

This appointment of the herein named County Extension Agent(s) (Extension employee) is/are not intended nor shall be construed as a waiver of any claim or defense of sovereign or governmental immunity from liability now possessed by the School District or any of its employees, agents, officers, and/or board members in the performance of governmental functions.

Accepted and signed this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Board of Trustee (sign and print name)

Superintendent (sign and print name)

RESOLUTION
Regarding
EXTRACURRICULAR STATUS OF 4-H ORGANIZATION

Be it hereby resolved that upon this date, the duly elected Board of Trustees of the *Blanket ISD* meeting in public with a quorum present and certified, did adopt this resolution that recognizes the *Brown County Texas 4-H Organization* as approved for recognition and eligible for extracurricular status consideration under 19 Texas Administrative Code, Chapter 76.1, pertaining to extracurricular activities.

Participation by 4-H members under provisions of this resolution are subject to all rules and regulations set forth under the 19 Texas Administrative Code as interpreted by this Board and designated officials of this school district whose rules shall be final.

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will request academic eligibility for competitive and non-competitive purposes when an absence is required.

Accepted and signed this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

Board of Trustee (sign and print name)

Superintendent (sign and print name)