

ISOTHERMAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE
JOINT MEETING OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES
AND
RUTHERFORD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MAY 19, 2008

A joint meeting between the Isothermal Community College Board of Trustees and the Rutherford County Commissioners was held on Monday, May 19, 2008, at the Rutherford County Annex at 11:30 a.m. The following trustees were present: Warren Carson, Chairman; Ron Giles, David Herndon, Pat Morgan, James Hutchins, David Eaker, "Buck" Petty and Gordon Scott. The following County Commissioners were present: Chivous Bradley, Chairman; Charles Hill, Paul McIntosh, and Brent Washburn. Others present were: Myra Johnson, Stephen Matheny, Glenda Scruggs, Mike Gavin, John Condrey, Judy Toney, Paula Roach, Julie Scherer and Hazel Haynes. Mr. Mike Tanner, candidate for county commissioner, was present as well as Pam Bunch with **The Daily Courier**.

Mr. Stephen Matheny presented the local budget for 2008-2009 to the Board of Commissioners. The total budget request is \$1,920,115 which represents a \$72,179 or 3.91% increase over the budget for 2007-2008. Mr. Matheny stated that items under operations/maintenance include increases in the following accounts:

- Salary increases have been calculated at 4%. Early indications from the state are estimated between 2% and 3% and an additional bonus for employees compensated with State funds. The medical insurance increase is estimated at 10%. The retirement contribution percentage has not been updated and remains at the current level of 7.8%.
- The lawns need to be adequately fertilized and limed to improve the overall health of the yards. Landscaping and general beautification of the campus will also be addressed with these funds.
- The Board of Trustees approved the addition of a contract with the Sheriff's department for a deputy to be stationed on campus. The presence of this officer on campus will help provide support and safety for students, faculty and staff and will also engage the campus with training and other services as necessary.
- Household supplies and materials have been increased by \$3K to include the LLC facility operating at full capacity.
- A decrease of \$3K to telephone expenses that reflects estimated expenditures based on prior year actual expenses.
- Fuel Heating/Natural Gas has decreased by \$30K. The efficiency of The Foundation system has significantly increased due to the continued monitoring of the system by our maintenance staff.
- A 3% increase in electricity is requested to be covered by the decrease in fuel heating/natural gas.

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- Repairs to facilities was increased by \$2K to continue meeting ongoing repair needs.
- A 5% increase in insurance is to cover additional premiums due to workers comp adjustments and annual increases in property values being adjusted in increments to correct underinsured replacement values. The increase also estimates the addition of the new facility during the coming fiscal period.

Following Mr. Matheny's presentation, time was allotted for questions and answers. Mr. Bradley thanked President Johnson and the trustees for their attendance at the budget meeting and assured them that the county would take the college's request into consideration.

The meeting was adjourned.



CHAIRMAN



SECRETARY