

GEORGIA
LEE COUNTY
June 12, 2017

The public hearing of the Lee County Board of Education was called to order by Chairperson Frank Griffin. The other members present were Louis Hatcher, Claire Lang, Bob Usry and Sylvia Vann.

The public hearing was held to provide a time for public to address Board regarding the school system's proposed budget.

Greg Crowder, Dolly Gill and Brian Soash attended the public hearing.

Gary Kelley stated that there is no significant change to budget since the last public hearing. The only change to the final budget is a reduction of state revenue by \$177.00 in the general fund based on the actual allotment sheet that is now available on the GDOE website. The tentative budget was based on the estimated allotment spreadsheet also provided by DOE.

No questions or comments were made.

Gary Kelley then provided a Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) budget estimate from JCI contractors for the renovation project at LCHS. He also provided a current cash balance in capital project funds summary.

The Board expressed apprehension to approve a GMP of almost 6 million when they do not have an estimate for track and tennis courts as well as a way to address girls' softball facility need.

Mr. Hatcher shared his concern with not being able to find a math teacher. It may be time to address local supplements and not "lockstepping" salaries. He stated the system needs to be competitive with other systems and the private sector.

On motion by Bob Usry, second by Louis Hatcher, the meeting was adjourned.

Chairman, Board of Education

Superintendent, Lee County Schools