



**TSCC Regular Business Meeting
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday May 9, 2023
12:05 p.m.**

Chair Harmony Quiroz, Commissioners, Ofsink, Norton, Wubbold, and Donahue, were present, as were Executive Director Allegra Willhite and Budget Analyst Tunie Betschart, all via Zoom meeting.

REGULAR MEETING

Chair Quiroz called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

District Budgets to be considered

Executive Director Willhite said the commissioners were scheduled to discuss Multnomah Education Service District Approved Budget and East Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District.

Multnomah Education Service District's Approved Budget review and hearing questions

Ms. Betschart briefly introduced the MESD's budget, stating the budget was mostly status quo, except for the lease mentioned in the Budget Message. A couple of notable items for FY 24 are the district has a new strategic plan this year; Rivercrest Academy, a new recovery high school, will open this fall; and revenue from the component districts is increasing.

Following the introduction, the commissioners discussed the questions to be asked at the hearing. They discussed suggested revisions that were submitted in the Google Doc before the meeting. The commissioners discussed the questions and changes; they eliminated, consolidated, and repositioned some. They added follow-ups to some and linked some to other questions, ending with seven questions to be asked at the hearing. They also asked staff to send a clarifying question about FTE to send to the district as a staff-to-staff question.

East Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District's Approved Budget review and hearing questions

Executive Director Willhite gave an overview of the East Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District's Approved budget. She discussed changes in the programs, consolidating some programs and consolidating the roles of some staff members. They have completed the Strategic Plan. Following the high-level overview, the commissioners moved to the questions to ask at the hearing.

Before the meeting, commissioners suggested revisions to some draft questions using Google Docs. The questions and proposed revisions were discussed. The conversations resulted in a question directed to the East Multnomah Soil & Water District's board, rewording some questions, eliminating a question, and consolidating and repositioning



Tax Supervising and Conservation Commission

some questions. Commissioners added follow-ups to some questions and linked some to other questions. They ended with seven questions to discuss with East Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District at the Tuesday, May 16th budget hearing. This hearing will be held in person at the district's headquarters.

Executive Director Willhite will send the questions to the Multnomah Education Service District and East Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District so they can prepare for the upcoming hearings.

There being no other business, Chair Quiroz adjourned the meeting at 1:11.