



**Yavapai College District Governing Board
 FY 2018-2019 Truth in Taxation Public Hearing
 In Accordance with A.R.S §15-1461.01(A)
 Approved Minutes of Public Hearing
 Tuesday, May 8, 2018
 10:30 AM**

Prescott Campus – Building 19, Room 147
 1100 E. Sheldon Street
 Prescott, Arizona

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Members Present:

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| Mr. Ray Sigafoos, Chair | Mr. Steve Irwin, Secretary |
| Dr. Connie Harris, Board Member | Dr. Patricia McCarver, Board Member |
| Ms. Deb McCasland, Board Member | |

Administration Present:

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| Dr. Penelope H. Wills, President | Lynne Adams, Board Attorney |
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- Other staff attending are on file in the District Office

1. CALL TO ORDER - PROCEDURAL

Chair Sigafoos called the Yavapai College District Governing Board FY 2018-2019 Truth in Taxation Public Hearing to order at 10:30 a.m. Chair Sigafoos read the Notice of Tax Increase and noted that the Truth in Taxation notices were published in multiple county newspapers beginning on April 20 & 28, 2018.

2. FY 2018-2019 Truth in Taxation Overview - INFORMATION

Dr. Clint Ewell, Vice President for Finance and Administrative Services, provided a Truth in Taxation overview (refer to Truth in Taxation Power Point and the Yavapai College website). The Truth in Taxation hearing is required if the District plans on approving a property tax rate increase. The Board began the FY 2018-2019 Budget analysis and review in January 2018, and continued to receive budget-related information over a series of months (refer to the following link <https://www.yc.edu/v5content/strategic-planning/budgeting.htm>).

The formal request for primary property tax increase was presented as follows:
 The Yavapai Community College District is proposing an increase in primary property taxes of \$896,100 or 2%. Yavapai College takes fiscal stewardship seriously as demonstrated to the Board and the community through the planning process of this FY 2018-2019 budget. Through careful financial planning and sound cost saving techniques, the College has not requested a property tax increase for the past two years. The College has also successfully reduced the cost per student in the past five years. Yavapai College’s low costs are a bargain for students and tax payers, as tuition/fees are well below the national average and several other Arizona Community Colleges. The request for property tax levy is not made lightly, but rather because of a strong need for the new programs and initiatives discussed with the Board throughout this planning process and for the College to remain fiscally prudent.

3. Public Comment - INFORMATION

Listed below are the Yavapai County citizens who addressed the Board regarding the proposed increase in primary property taxes:
 Opposed to the Proposed Primary Property Tax – Garland Williams, Roger Thomas, Kirk Storms, Geoff Tippit, Heather Tippit, Ruth Wicks, Bob Oliphant, Bill Feldmeier, Jeff Parker, Leon Kramer, David Snyder.

4. Adjournment - PROCEDURAL

Member Harris moved, seconded by Member McCarver, that the FY 2018-2019 Truth in Taxation Public Hearing be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously (Irwin, Harris, McCasland, McCarver, Sigafoos voting in favor).

The Hearing was adjourned at 11:19 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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 Ms. Karen Jones, Recording Secretary

Date: September 11, 2018

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 Mr. Raymond Sigafoos, Chair

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 Mr. Steve Irwin, Secretary

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