

**Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes of August 26, 2024**  
**Exceed Revenue Neutral Rate**  
**And**  
**Public Budget Hearing FY 2024-2025**

*Pratt Community College*

*The mission of Pratt Community College is maximum student learning,  
individual and workforce development, high quality instruction  
and service, and community enrichment.*

I. **Call to Order** – 6:00 p.m. Mike Koler, Chair called to order the August 26, 2024 Board of Trustees meeting to Exceed Revenue Neutral Rate and Public Budget Hearing FY 2024-2025.

II. **Pledge of Allegiance** was led by Trustees

**Trustees Present:** Mike Koler, Chair, Dean Fitzsimmons, Vice Chair (VC), Ed Barrett, Michele Hamm, Eric Scott Killough, Mark Morgan, and Suzan Patton

**Administration Present:** Dr. Michael Calvert, President, Kent Adams, VP Finance and Operations, Monette DePew, VP Instruction, Dr. Kwanna King, VP Student Services, Larry Johnston, Director of Athletics, Jerry Sanko, Chief Information Officer, Barry Fisher, Executive Foundation Director, Institutional Advancement, Alumni Relations, and Donna Meier Pfeifer, Clerk of the Board.

III. **Comments from the Public** – *Mike Koler, Trustee Chair*

Chair Koler welcomed the audience and explained the procedure.

Representation from the Public:

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|-------------------------|------------------------|------------------|
| - Jerry L. Condray      | - Hank Bingaman        | - Chase Galle    |
| - Don Queal             | - Eric McManaman       | - Vickie Fobes   |
| - Tammy Killough        | - Denise Morgan        | - Kenneth Fobes  |
| - Jodi Drake            | - Porter Loomis        | - Richard Gimpel |
| - Kirk and Pam Branaman | - Bud and Marie Grimes | - Samaria Kohman |
| - Crystal Kohman        | - Jacob Welch          | - Dustin Focht   |
| - Luke Hoeme            |                        |                  |

IV. **Action Items** – *Mike Koler, Chair*

A. **Resolution 24-003 Exceed Revenue Neutral Rate** – *Kent Adams / Dr. Michael Calvert*

All interested taxpayers desiring to be heard had an opportunity to give oral testimony prior to the vote.

Chair Koler asked for a motion to Approve the Resolution Document 24-003 to Exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate. The motion was made by Trustee Barrett to Approve the Resolution Document 24-003 to Exceed Revenue Neutral Rate. The motion was seconded by Trustee Killough.

Resolution 24-003 Exceed Revenue Neutral Rate

Resolution No. 24-003

A RESOLUTION OF THE Pratt Community College, KANSAS TO LEVY A PROPERTY TAX RATE EXCEEDING THE REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE;

WHEREAS, the Revenue Neutral Rate for the was calculated as 41.430 mills by the Pratt County Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the budget proposed by the Governing Body of the Pratt Community College will require the levy of a property tax rate exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Body held a hearing on August 26, 2024 allowing all interested taxpayers desiring to be heard an opportunity to give oral testimony; and

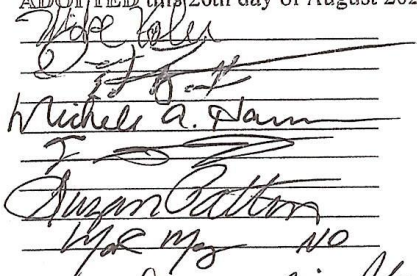
WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the Pratt Community College, having heard testimony, still finds it necessary to exceed the Revenue Neutral Rate.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE Pratt Community College:

The Pratt Community College shall levy a property tax rate exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate of 42.0 mills.

This resolution shall take effect and be in force immediately upon its adoption and shall remain in effect until future action is taken by the Governing Body.

ADOPTED this 26th day of August 2024 and SIGNED by the Governing Body.

  
Attested: Donna Klein Pfeiffer  
Clerk of the Board

Discussion: Resolution 24-003 - No discussion was had.

### Roll Call Vote

A Roll Call Vote of the Pratt Community College Board of Trustees to Levy a Property Tax  
Exceeding the Revenue Neutral Rate  
Hearing to Exceed Revenue Neutral Rate held on August 26, 2024  
Resolution No. 24-003

Governing Body Member	Yes	No	No Vote
Ed Barrett	✓		
Dean Fitzsimmons	✓		
Michele Hamm	✓		
Eric Scott Killough	✓		
Mike Koler	✓		
Mark Morgan		✓	
Suzan Patton	✓		
Certified: Donna Meier Pfeifer			
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- Roll call vote was taken by the Board Clerk – 6 Yes - 1 No.
- Resolution 24-003 was passed by majority vote of 6 to 1.
- No further action taken.
- The motion carried.

- B. Approve PCC Public Budget Hearing FY 2024-2025 – Kent Adams / Dr. Michael Calvert**  
 Chair Koler asked for a motion to approve the PCC Public Budget Hearing FY 2024 2025. The motion was made by Trustee Barrett to approve the PCC Public Budget Hearing FY2024-2025. The motion was seconded by Trustee Hamm.

**Discussion:**

Trustee Suzan Patton expressed her appreciation to the people of Pratt who came to express their comments on both sides. Northern Natural valuation dropped dramatically. The PCC monthly payroll amount goes back into the community.

Trustee Ed Barrett has served on the Board for a total of 16 years. PCC at one point was technically bankrupt. Dr. William Wojciechowski, President, hired a finance controller, worked with the Board of Trustees and got the institution out of bankruptcy.

**Roll Call Vote:**

	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
Ed Barrett, Trustee	_ X _	_ _ _
Dean Fitzsimmons, Trustee	_ X _	_ _ _
Michele Hamm, Trustee	_ X _	_ _ _
Eric Scott Killough, Trustee	_ X _	_ _ _
Mike Koler, Trustee	_ X _	_ _ _
Mark Morgan, Trustee	_ _ _	_ X _
Suzan Patton, Trustee	_ X _	_ _ _
Roll Call Completed:	_ 6 _	_ 1 _

Certified: Donna Meier Pfeifer

- Roll call vote was taken by the Board Clerk – 6 Yes - 1 No.
- The PCC Public Budget Hearing FY 2024-2025 was passed by a majority vote of 6 to 1.
- No further action taken.
- The motion carried.

**NOTICE OF HEARING TO EXCEED THE REVENUE NEUTRAL RATE AND BUDGET HEARING  
2024-2025 BUDGET**

The governing body of Pratt Community College in Pratt County will meet on August 26, 2024 at 6:00 PM at Riney Student Center Room 312 for the purpose of answering objections of taxpayers relating to the proposed use of all funds, and the amount of revenue neutral rate, and to consider amendments. Detailed budget information is available at VP Finance & Operations Benson Education Center room 43 and will be available at this hearing.

**BUDGET SUMMARY**

The Expenditures and the Amount of 2024 Tax to be Levied (as shown below) establish the maximum limits of the 2024-2025 budget. The "Est. Tax Rate" in the far right column, shown for comparative purposes, is subject to change depending on final assessed valuation.

	2022-2023		2023-2024		Proposed Budget 2024-2025			
	Actual Expend. & Transfers	Actual Tax Rate*	Actual Expend. & Transfers	Actual Tax Rate*	Budgeted Expend. & Transfers	Amount of 2024 Tax to be Levied	Est. Tax Rate*	
Current Funds Unrestricted								
General Fund	11,316,620	36.490	10,125,463	38.500	13,345,216	7,854,626	42.000	
Postsecondary Tech Ed	4,208,443		3,336,368		5,785,120	xxxxxxx	xxx	
Adult Education	0		0		5,000	0	0.000	
Adult Supp Education	0	xxx	0	xxx	20,000	xxxxxxx	xxx	
Motorcycle Driver	0	xxx	0	xxx	0	xxxxxxx	xxx	
Truck Driver Training	0	xxx	0	xxx	0	xxxxxxx	xxx	
Auxiliary Enterprise	4,684,485	xxx	4,410,228	xxx	10,300,000	xxxxxxx	xxx	
Plant Funds						xxxxxxx	xxx	
Capital Outlay	419,225		965,823		2,385,000	0	0.000	
Bond and Interest	400,845		571,780		741,596	0	0.000	
Special Assessment	0		0		0	0	0.000	
No Fund Warrants	0		0		0	0	0.000	
Revenue Bonds	10,269	xxx	0	xxx	0	xxxxxxx	xxx	
<b>Total All Funds</b>	<b>21,039,887</b>	<b>36.490</b>	<b>19,409,661</b>	<b>38.500</b>	<b>32,581,932</b>	<b>xxxxxxx</b>	<b>42.000</b>	
<i>Revenue Neutral Rate**</i>								<i>41.430</i>
Total Tax Levied	7,062,509		7,747,867		xxxxxxx	7,854,626		
Assessed Valuation	193,546,424		201,243,286		187,014,893			

**Outstanding Indebtedness, July 1**

	2023	2024	2025
G.O. Bonds			
Capital Outlay Bonds			
Revenue Bonds			
No-Fund Warrants			
Temporary Notes			
Lease Purchase Principal	5,228,096	4,706,808	6,134,962
Total	5,228,096	4,706,808	6,134,962

\* Tax Rates are expressed in mills.  
\*\*Revenue Neutral Rate as defined by KSA 79-2988

  
Kent Adams, Board Treasurer

**V. Meeting Adjourned – *Mike Koler, Chair***

Chair Koler asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was made by Trustee Barrett and seconded by VC Dean Fitzsimmons to adjourn the meeting. With no further discussion motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Meeting Minutes Recorded by:  
Donna Meier Pfeifer  
Clerk of the Board of Trustees