The Board of Trustees of the Howard County Junior College District met for a public hearing on the proposed tax increase in the Board Room in the Student Union Building on the Big Spring site and by telephone conference call on Monday, August 21, 2023.

The following members of the Board and District Administration were present:

Dr. John Freeman, Chairman Adrian Calvio, Secretary Dr. Marisha Beck Raul Marquez Ben Zeichick

Cheryl T. Sparks, Ed.D., President
Amy Burchett, Ed.D., Executive Vice President
Brenda Claxton, Chief Fiscal Officer/Controller
Eric Hansen, Chief Technology Systems/Data Security Officer by phone
Rhonda Kernick, Chief Human Resources Officer by phone
Brenda Madore, Chief of Staff/Institutional Advancement Officer
Fabian Serrano, Chief Operations and Safety/Security Officer
Steve Smith, Chief Business Officer/Internal Auditor

Others present were:

Lee Bryant, Security Terry Hansen, Chief Special Projects Officer Andreia Medlin, Big Spring Herald Quintinn Stewart, District Director of Technical Support Services Shannon Stuteville, Executive Assistant

Chairman John Freeman called the meeting to order at 12:48 p.m. The meeting was open to the public through remote connection utilizing a toll-free number for audio purposes. The public was also entitled to participate and address the Board onsite. The meeting was recorded and will be available on the website.

Chairman Freeman opened the public hearing on the 2023-2024 proposal to increase total tax revenue for Howard College. Dr. Freeman read the hearing procedures and invited citizens to present their views concerning the proposed increase. There were no comments or interested parties in attendance.

There being no other business, Chairman Freeman adjourned the public hearing at 12:49 p.m., informing those in attendance that the meeting to vote on the tax rate would be Monday, August 28, 2023, at 12:30 p.m.

Dr. John Freeman Chairman

Adrian Calvio, Secretary By Brenda Madore