

sented at the March board meeting. Taylor requested that there also should be a pay schedule as it would be had the MLO passed. He said the community wants to know how the district would spend the \$4 million if it were approved. This could be a way to demonstrate the need for additional funding.

Board letter to stakeholders
The Board of Education issued a letter to stakeholders in mid-January which was also published in the *Tribune* newspaper.

In it, the board said that there is still a need for sustainable funding for compensation. While the board continues to explore ways to cut costs without sacrificing educational excellence, the primary source of sustainable funding would be a mill levy override. Other local districts have successfully passed overrides over that past few years. The last successful one in D38 was in 1999.

Although per pupil revenue from the state is forecast to increase in the next few years, all districts would benefit equally, and therefore the gap between D38 compen-

sation and neighboring districts would remain.

The board encouraged citizens to attend board meetings and volunteer to help educate the community.

Phillips said there have been emails from community members offering to help. Some also explained why they voted against the measure.

Upchurch commented that the letter implied that there would definitely be another ballot issue this year when that is not yet the case.

Phillips suggested scheduling some Elevate and Engage sessions with the public to improve participation.

The board approved an amended budget for the 2022-23 school year which included mention of the one-time compensation action in early January.

Policy revisions

The board approved two policy revisions. The first reversed the requirement that parents pay the tuition for concurrent enrollment classes if the student fails the class.

Woodmoor Water and Sanitation District, Jan. 9

Board sets rules for new year

By James Howald

The Woodmoor Water and Sanitation District (WWSD) board voted on two resolutions in its first meeting of 2023 that define the rules and procedures for the rest of the year. During public comments, the board heard from a resident interested in running for a seat on the board. In his Manager's Report, District Manager Jessie Shaffer gave the board an update on the El Paso County Regional Loop Water Authority (EPCRLWA). The board also heard the timeline to refill Woodmoor Lake and operational reports.

Resolutions address procedures and election

The board voted unanimously to pass Resolution 23-01, which addresses issues required of special districts by the state of Colorado such as providing a map of the district's boundaries and documentation of the district's outstanding debts. Attorney Erin Smith told the board that the resolution also specifies that the date, time, and location of board meetings will be posted on the district's web page and at the district's office, sets forth the district's officers and establishes the upcoming election as a polling place election.

The district's web page is at <https://woodmoorwater.com> and the district's office is located at 1845 Woodmoor Drive, Monument, CO 80132.

The board also passed Resolution 23-02, which provides further details about the election, to be held on May 2, 2023, between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., using the Woodmoor Improvement Association Community Center ("The Barn") as a polling place.

Two seats on the board will be filled by the election: the seat currently held by President Brian Bush,

who is term-limited, and the seat currently held by Director Barrie Towne, who was appointed to the board and therefore must run in the next election.

Candidates for the seats must file a Self-nomination and Acceptance with the district's Designated Election Official, Mandi Kirk, by Feb. 24, 2023. Kirk can be reached at MKirk@NortonSmithLaw.com.

Resident announces candidacy

Roy Martinez used the public comment portion of the agenda to introduce himself and announce his candidacy for a seat on the board. Martinez told the board he is retired but had worked as the director of the Water Works Foundation, as a senior staff member at the Water Research Foundation, and at HDR Engineering, as well as at other water-related jobs.

Loop Water Authority to hold first meeting

Shaffer told the board that the EPCRLWA had scheduled its first regular meeting for Jan. 19. The EPCRLWA is an intragovernmental agency formed by WWSD, the Town of Monument, Donala Water and Sanitation District, and Cherokee Metropolitan District to design, build and operate water re-use infrastructure that will treat and convey water from Fountain Creek to customers in the four participating districts. When complete, the infrastructure will give WWSD a way to move the water it acquired when it purchased Woodmoor Ranch to WWSD customers.

Shaffer said the EPCRLWA was working on administrative issues such as choosing a law firm and bank and on technical issues such as defining the water quality testing required to establish a baseline to be used in developing the water

The second changes the hierarchical nature of district committees.

Many committees are required by state or federal law. Some of these were placed as subcommittees under the Parent and Community Advisory Committee. Instead they are now independent committees.

To view the presentations from the meeting, please go to: [go.boarddocs.com/co/lewispalm-](http://go.boarddocs.com/co/lewispalm-er/Board.nsf/vpublic)

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The Lewis-Palmer D38 Board of Education usually meets at 6 p.m. on the third Monday of the month at the district's learning center, 146 Jefferson St. in Monument. Because the schools will be closed on Feb. 20 for Presidents Day, the board will meet on Feb. 21.

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