Upon approval of the tentative budget by the Board at a duly called regular or special meeting, the Secretary of the Board shall cause a notice of the availability of the tentative budget for public inspection and of a public hearing on the tentative budget to be given by publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the college district at least thirty (30) days prior to the time of such hearing. During this period, the budget shall be available for public inspection on campus and copies shall be mailed to all public libraries in the district. The public shall also be given an opportunity to comment on the tentative budget at the public hearing.

After the public hearing, and final comments and/or recommendations from the board, the budget shall be adopted by the Board of Trustees no later than the last Tuesday of September annually. The approved budget will be filed with the County Clerk by October 15th annually.