

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 195
Randolph, Minnesota 55065

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

September 21, 2015

- 1) The Randolph School Board met in regular session on Monday, September 21, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. in the Media Center. Sara Taylor called the meeting to order. Directors present: Sara Taylor, Steve Weidner, Cory Lorenzen, Jay Otte and Michael Kelley, Superintendent. Directors absent: Gary Moorhouse and Garlan Dubbels. Administrators present: Ben Fisher, Matt Rutledge, Aaron Soule and Regina Wernimont. Staff members present: Kathy Stauffer, Chelsi Marks, Patrick Duffy, Kevin Landry and Mandy May. Guests: Ken Haggerty and Karly Friedges.
- 2) A motion to approve the agenda with two resolution additions was made by Cory Lorenzen, seconded by Jay Otte. All members voting in favor.
- 3) A motion was made by Steve Weidner, seconded by Jay Otte to approve the following consent agenda items:
 - 3.1) Minutes of the Regular School Board meeting held August 17, 2015, as presented.
 - 3.2) Minutes of the Special School Board meeting held August 27, 2015, as presented.
 - 3.3) August 2015, bills and payroll.All members voting in favor.
- 4) The Board welcomed the following new faculty and staff members with appetizers: Chelsi Marks, Patrick Duffy, Kevin Landry and Mandy May.
- 5) The Spanish Trip Report was tabled until the Regular School Board Meeting in October.

- 6) Member, Steve Weidner, introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION RESCINDING PRIOR RESOLUTION THAT
CONVERTED VOTER APPROVED REFERENDUM AUTHORITY
TO A BOARD APPROVED REFERENDUM AUTHORITY
[AND AUTHORIZED A NEW BOARD APPROVED REFERENDUM
AUTHORITY]**

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 195, State of Minnesota, as follows:

1. On August 19, 2013 the Board adopted a resolution to convert (a portion/all) of its voter approved referendum authority to a Board approved referendum authority.
 - 1a. [If Applicable] In that 2013 resolution, the Board also determined to authorize an additional Board approved referendum authority which equaled the difference between \$300 per adjusted pupil unit and the District's then current referendum authority per adjusted pupil unit after the Location Equity Revenue subtraction.
2. The 2013 resolution referenced above is hereby rescinded, effective for taxes payable in 2016 and thereafter.
3. The clerk is authorized and directed to submit a copy of this adopted resolution to the Minnesota Department of Education as soon as reasonably practicable after its adoption.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Jay Otte. On a roll call vote, the following voted in favor:

Steve Weidner, Cory Lorenzen, Jay Otte, Sara Taylor
(Garlan Dubbels and Gary Moorhouse absent)

and the following voted against:

none

whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

7) Member, Cory Lorenzen, introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A NEW
BOARD APPROVED REFERENDUM AUTHORITY**

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 195, State of Minnesota, as follows:

4. Current Authority. The District has no current voter approved referendum authority.

5. Approval of New Authority. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.17, subdivision 9a, the Board hereby determines to authorize a new Board approved referendum authority in the amount of \$300 per adjusted pupil unit. This new Board approved referendum authority shall be further adjusted based on final pupil unit data. It is the intention of the Board to create the maximum authority for which it is eligible, not to exceed \$300 per adjusted pupil unit. This new Board approved referendum authority, as adjusted, shall be applicable for five years, beginning with taxes payable in 2016. The Board may subsequently reauthorize the Board approved referendum authority in increments of up to five years.

6. The clerk is authorized and directed to submit a copy of the adopted resolution to the Minnesota Department of Education as soon as reasonably practicable after its adoption, but in no event later than September 30, 2015.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Jay Otte. On a roll call vote, the following voted in favor:

Steve Weidner, Cory Lorenzen, Jay Otte, Sara Taylor
(Garlan Dubbels and Gary Moorhouse absent)

and the following voted against:

none

whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

- 8) A motion was made by Steve Weidner, seconded by Cory Lorenzen to certify the levy to the maximum. This is reported to the individual counties and to the Minnesota Department of Education. We will make adjustments before the levy is finalized in December. All members voting in favor.
- 9) A motion was made by Steve Weidner, seconded by Jay Otte approving the Long-Term Facilities Maintenance 10-Year Plan. This will need to be reviewed annually and submitted to MDE every two years. All members voting in favor.
- 10) Member, Jay Otte, introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION STATING THE INTENTION OF THE SCHOOL BOARD TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO FINANCE PROJECTS INCLUDED IN THE DISTRICT'S APPROVED TEN-YEAR FACILITY PLAN; COVENANTING AND OBLIGATING THE DISTRICT TO BE BOUND BY AND TO USE THE PROVISIONS OF MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 126C.55 TO GUARANTEE THE PAYMENT OF THE PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST ON THE BONDS

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 195, State of Minnesota, as follows:

1. The Board hereby finds and declares that it is necessary and expedient for Independent School District No. 195 (the "District") to issue its fully registered general obligation facilities maintenance bonds (the "Bonds") pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 123B.595, subdivision 5 and Chapter 475, as amended, to fund the costs of the following projects included in its approved ten-year facility plan and related financing costs:

- indoor air quality improvement projects at the Randolph School building included in the District's ten-year facility plan approved by the Commissioner of Education

The Bonds would be issued in the total aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$1,285,000. The issuance of the Bonds is hereby authorized.

2. The ten-year facility plan approved by the Board is incorporated in this resolution as though fully specified herein. The administration is authorized and directed to submit to the Commissioner such additional information as may be necessary to secure the approval of the Commissioner for the ten-year facility plan and this bond issuance, as required by Minnesota Statutes, Section 123B.595. The submission of a proposed plan and a request for approval prior to the date of this resolution is ratified and approved in all respects.

3. The District further covenants to comply with all procedures now or hereafter established by the Minnesota Department of Education pursuant to

Minnesota Statutes, Section 123B.595 and otherwise to take such actions as necessary to comply with that statute. The chair, clerk, superintendent or business manager is authorized to execute any applicable Minnesota Department of Education forms.

4. The clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause a notice substantially in the form of the Notice attached hereto as EXHIBIT A and incorporated herein by reference to be published as a legal notice one (1) time in the official newspaper of the District as soon as reasonably practicable after the date of adoption of this resolution, but at least twenty (20) days before the earliest of the solicitation of bids, the issuance of bonds or the final certification of levies. Any publication of said notice prior to the date of adoption of this resolution is hereby ratified and approved in all respects.

5. The Board, having been advised by Ehlers & Associates, Inc., its independent financial advisor, hereby determines that the Bonds shall be privately sold after receipt of written proposals, as authorized pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 475.60, Subdivision 2, as amended.

6. If the issuance of the Bonds is approved, the Board shall meet at the time and place specified in the Official Statement to receive and consider proposals for the purchase of the Bonds. The terms and provisions specified in the Official Statement are hereby adopted as the terms and conditions of the Bonds and of the sale thereof, and shall be made available to all prospective purchasers of the Bonds. Ehlers & Associates, Inc., is authorized to prepare an Official Statement and to open, read and tabulate the proposals for presentation to the Board.

7. (a) The District hereby covenants and obligates itself to notify the Commissioner of Education of a potential default in the payment of principal and interest on the Bonds and to use the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.55 to guarantee payment of the principal and interest on the Bonds when due. The District further covenants to deposit with the Bond Registrar or any successor paying agent three (3) days prior to the date on which a payment is due an amount sufficient to make that payment or to notify the Commissioner of Education that it will be unable to make all or a portion of that payment. The Bond Registrar for the Bonds is authorized and directed to notify the Commissioner of Education if it becomes aware of a potential default in the payment of principal or interest on the Bonds or if, on the day two (2) business days prior to the date a payment is due on the Bonds, there are insufficient funds to make that payment on deposit with the Bond Registrar. The District understands that as a result of its covenant to be bound by the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.55, the provisions of that section shall be binding as long as any Bonds of this issue remain outstanding.

(b) The District further covenants to comply with all procedures now or hereafter established by the Departments of Management and Budget and Education of the State of Minnesota pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.55, subdivision 2(c) and otherwise to take such actions as necessary to comply with that section. The chair, clerk, superintendent or business manager is authorized to execute any applicable Minnesota Department of Education forms.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member, Steve Weidner and, upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

Steve Weidner, Cory Lorenzen, Jay Otte, Sara Taylor
(Garlan Dubbels and Gary Moorhouse absent)

and the following voted against the same:

none

whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

- 11) A motion was made by Cory Lorenzen, seconded by Jay Otte to approve the overnight field trip request allowing approximately 20 FFA members to attend the National FFA Convention in Louisville, Kentucky on October 28-31, 2015. All members voting in favor.
- 12) Michael Kelley, Superintendent, reported enrollment is up by 14 students overall for the district enrollment from the end of last year with a total of 637. Preschool is currently at a total of 67.
- 13) Matt Rutledge, Elementary Principal, reported we have Crossing Guards on the west side of the school building this year - Laurie Otte is covering mornings and Angie Stapf is covering afternoons. Child Care has currently registered 187 students; and updates on Community Ed activities.
- 14) Ben Fisher, High School Principal, distributed a five-year trend of ACT scores and was very pleased to show that Randolph School equaled or exceeded the state scores in all areas! Mr. Fisher was also delighted to share that Thor Hanson has now made it to the National Merit Semi-Finalist round and, as far as we know, no one has ever made it this far before from Randolph School. Also reported on the Special Education Director's forum attended at the Minnesota Department of Education on September 11th; Dig Pink Fundraiser will be held on October 6th - Randolph School came in 2nd in the nation last year! Thanked Aaron Soule for organizing the Hero's Night held at the September 11 football game acknowledging our military, police and fire department. Aaron Soule recently took students to the Harbor Leadership Conference held at Apple Valley High School to hear a motivational speaker regarding leadership in school and community.
- 15) Regina Wernimont, Business Manager, reported the annual audit went well August 11-13 and we are currently in the OPEB audit, which is every 3 years; we implemented My Leave on July 1 for staff to report absences in our computer system and eliminate our former paper process; School Store will kick off on September 24th; Flu Shot Clinics will be held on September 25 for staff and on October 9 for the community; attended the Tax Levy Workshop in Rochester with Mr. Kelley on September 16th.
- 16) Michael Kelley, Superintendent, reported new monitors have been installed in the Commons and are working well; new special ed van has been picked up and DOT inspected; True Blue Celebration (formerly known as Project Northland Community Night) will be October 9th; and our final roof inspection.
- 17) The School Board reported on the Community Ed Advisory Committee Meeting held on September 21st.
- 18) Aaron Soule, Assistant HS Principal/Activities Director arrived at the meeting after the Homecoming Coronation and reported that Dennis Murray, former long-term teacher, coach, athletic director of Randolph Schools, will be inducted into the Region 1A Hall of Fame on September 28th for his service to Region 1A over the years of his career. Mr. Murray was nominated by Josh Wieme, former teacher at Randolph School who is now the Athletic Director at Goodhue.

- 19) A motion was made by Jay Otte, seconded by Cory Lorenzen to approve Josh Spitzack's resignation from his elementary teaching position. All members voting in favor.
- 20) A motion was made by Steve Weidner, seconded by Jay Otte to approve Tracey Ryan's resignation from her child care position. All members voting in favor.
- 21) A motion was made by Jay Otte, seconded by Cory Lorenzen to approve hiring Donna Lindahl as an elementary teacher for 2015-2016. All members voting in favor.
- 22) A motion was made by Steve Weidner, seconded by Jay Otte to approve hiring Tracey Ryan for the Community Ed position for 2015-2016. All members voting in favor.
- 23) A motion was made by Cory Lorenzen, seconded by Steve Weidner to approve hiring Mandy May for the Child Care Educator/Provider position for 2015-2016. All members voting in favor.
- 24) A motion was made by Cory Lorenzen, seconded by Jay Otte to approve hiring Barret Freeland as a Junior High Boys Basketball Coach for 2015-2016. All members voting in favor.
- 25) A motion to adjourn was made by Steve Weidner, seconded by Jay Otte. All members voted in favor.

Acting Clerk: Jay Otte