

MEMBERS PRESENT: Beaudry
 Bjerklie
 Bruns
 A. Larson
 B. Larson
 C. Larson
 Rantala

ALSO PRESENT: Rick
 Johnson
 Cox

The special meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 2142, St. Louis County Schools, was held at ISD # 2142 District Office on Monday, August 17, 2009, at 5:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Jeffery Schiltz of Johnson Controls, Inc. instructed the board to have a motion on a change in the secondary site in the South. The change would delete the Hussey property and add the Carpinnen property. The changes were included in the Final Long Range Facilities Plan, Review and Comment document.

Motion by C. Larson and seconded by Bjerklie to change the South secondary site from the Hussey property to the Carpinnen property.

Yes-A. Larson, Beaudry, Bjerklie, Bruns, B. Larson, C. Larson, Rantala
Against- None

Motion by C. Larson and seconded by Rantala according to M. S. 123B.71, Subd. 9 which states **“A school board proposing to construct a facility described in subdivision 8 shall submit to the commissioner a proposal containing information including at least the following... The School Board has reviewed and approved the Review and Comment document as well as the submission of the Review and Comment document, as amended.**

Board Member Rantala asked if we are sure that all balloting places are legal?

Superintendent Rick replied yes, we have check with St. Louis County Auditor’s office.

Board Member Bjerklie discussed the times that the polling places would be open.

Discussion followed.

Yes-Beaudry, Bjerklie, Bruns, B. Larson, C. Larson, Rantala
Against- A. Larson

**EXTRACT OF MINUTES OF A MEETING
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD
OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2142
(ST. LOUIS COUNTY)
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

HELD: AUGUST 17, 2009

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a special meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142 (St. Louis County), State of Minnesota, was duly held in said school district on August 17, 2009, at 5:00 o'clock p.m., for the purpose, in part, of calling an election to authorize the issuance of school building bonds.

Member Bjerklie moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

**RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF
SCHOOL BUILDING BONDS AND CALLING AN ELECTION THEREON**

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 2142, State of Minnesota, as follows:

1. The board hereby finds and determines that it is necessary and expedient for the school district to borrow money in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$78,800,000 and not to exceed any limitation upon the incurring of indebtedness which shall be applicable on the date or dates of the issuance of any bonds, for the purpose of providing funds for the acquisition and betterment of school sites and facilities, including, the construction and equipping of a new school to serve the Alborn-Brookston-Cotton-Meadowlands attendance areas; the construction and equipping of a new school to serve the Cook and Orr attendance areas; and the remodeling and renovation of the Cherry, Babbitt-Embarrass and Tower-Soudan Schools. The question on the borrowing of funds for these purposes shall be School District Ballot Question 1 on the school district ballot at the special election held to authorize said borrowing.

2. The actions of the administration in consulting with the Minnesota Department of Education, causing a proposal to be prepared for submission on behalf of the board to the Commissioner of Education for the Commissioner's Review and Comment and taking such other actions as necessary to comply with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 123B.71, as amended, are hereby ratified and approved in all respects. The actual holding of the special election specified herein shall be contingent upon the receipt of a positive Review and Comment from the Commissioner of Education.

The clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause the Commissioner's Review and Comment to be published in the legal newspaper of the school district at least twenty (20) but not more than sixty (60) days prior to the date of the special election as specified in paragraph 3 of this resolution.

3. The ballot question shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the school district at a special election, which is hereby called and directed to be held on Tuesday, November 3, 2009, between the hours of 10:00 o'clock a.m. and 8:00 o'clock p.m.

4. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.11, the school district combined polling places and the precincts served by those polling places, as previously established and designated by school board resolution for school district elections not held on the day of a statewide election, are hereby designated for this special election.

5. The clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause written notice of said special election to be given to the county auditor of each county in which the school district is located, in whole or in part, and to the Commissioner of Education, at least fifty-three (53) days prior to the date of said election. The notice shall specify the date of said special election and the title and language for each ballot question to be voted on at said special election.

The clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice of said special election to be posted at the administrative offices of the school district at least ten (10) days before the date of said special election.

The clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause a sample ballot to be posted at the administrative offices of the school district at least four (4) days before the date of said special election and to cause a sample ballot to be posted in the combined polling place on election day. The sample ballot shall not be printed on the same color paper as the official ballot.

The clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice of said special election to be published in the official newspaper of the school district, for two (2) consecutive weeks with the last publication being at least one (1) week before the date of said election.

The notice of election so posted and published shall state the question to be submitted to the voters as set forth in the form of ballot below, and shall include information concerning each established precinct and polling place.

The clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause the rules and instructions for use of the optical scan voting system to be posted in each combined polling place on election day.

6. The clerk is authorized and directed to acquire and distribute such election materials as may be necessary for the proper conduct of this special election.


7. The clerk is further authorized and directed to cause ballots to be prepared for use at said election in substantially the following form, with such changes in form, color and instructions as may be necessary to accommodate an optical scan voting system:

SCHOOL DISTRICT QUESTION BALLOT

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2142 (ST. LOUIS COUNTY) SPECIAL ELECTION

NOVEMBER 3, 2009

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

To vote, completely fill in the oval(s) next to your choice(s) like this 

**To vote for a question, fill in the oval next to the word "YES" for that question.
To vote against a question, fill in the oval next to the word "NO" for that question.**

SCHOOL DISTRICT BALLOT QUESTION 1 APPROVAL OF SCHOOL DISTRICT BOND ISSUE

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| <input type="radio"/> | YES | Shall the school board of Independent School District No. 2142 (St. Louis County) be authorized to issue its general obligation school building bonds in an amount not to exceed \$78,800,000 to provide funds for the acquisition and betterment of school sites and facilities, including, the construction and equipping of a new school to serve the Alborn-Brookston-Cotton-Meadowlands attendance areas; the construction and equipping of a new school to serve the Cook and Orr attendance areas; and the remodeling and renovation of the Cherry, Babbitt-Embarrass and Tower-Soudan Schools? |
| <input type="radio"/> | NO | |

**BY VOTING "YES" ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU
ARE VOTING FOR A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE.**

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Beaudry upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: No Vote Taken

Absent:

And the following voted against the same:

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Board Member Beaudry questioned the way the Cook, Orr and Tower-Soudan sites were listed on the ballot.

Discussion followed.

Board Member Bjerklie and Board Member Beaudry both withdrew there motions on the Resolution Relating to the Issuance of School Building Bonds and Calling and Election Thereon.

Motion by Rantala and seconded by Bruns to table the **Resolution Relating to the Issuance of School Building Bonds and Calling and Election Thereon for change of language on the ballot.**

Yes-A. Larson, Beaudry, Bjerklie, Bruns, B. Larson, Rantala
Against- C. Larson

Comments from the Board:

Board Member Bruns stated that she believes the Gheen site is as good as the other site and is a good location for all involved.

Board Member Bjerklie has a slide presentation for the board on the vision of ISD 2142. Mr. Bjerklie said that our vision still has not changed from the Strategic Plan and the board needs to continue moving forward.

Board Member Bruns indicated that in all the public meetings the district has held, the people want community/family oriented building. The Site is important to that idea and that's why she thinks the location of Cook/Orr should be more centrally located.

The Special Board Meeting was adjourned at 6:04 p.m.

Chairperson

Clerk