

THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2142, ST. LOUIS COUNTY SCHOOLS, HELD ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2010.

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 Thursday, February 25, 2010, at 5:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion by Beaudry and seconded by C. Larson to approve the Johnson Controls, Inc. contracts as presented.

Member Beaudry indicated that he had a comfort level on the contracts. Mr. Beaudry said that he talked to other companies when attending the MSBA conference and the quotes given by all of these companies were 2% higher than Johnson Controls, Inc.

Member C. Larson was in agreement.

Member Bjerklie said that Johnson Controls have provided data to the district in helping the school board to make decisions.

Discussion followed.

Board Chair explained that a committee was set up with representatives from the board to review the contracts with District counsel.

Member A. Larson had numerous questions regarding contract specifics.

Arif Quraiski and Jeff Schilitz of Johnson Controls, Inc. addressed each of the questions regarding the contracts.

Discussion followed.

Member Rantala thanked the board for their work on the committee reviewing the contracts.

Discussion followed.

Member C. Larson called the question for a vote.

A vote was taken.

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

Comments from visitors:

Darcie Novak thanked everyone who worked diligently on the project. It has not gone unnoticed. Ms. Novak encouraged the board to go after stimulus grant money that is available.

Jim Saranpaa questioned who is going to administer the contract. Mr. Saranpaa indicated that he worked in the industrial environment and one of the complaints that he has heard is that the board needs to know exactly what they are doing.

John Henry of Johnson Controls, Inc. addressed the question and said that it is his responsibility.

Carlye Olson thanked the entire board. Ms. Olson encouraged members of the Northern sites to speak to their constituents about becoming more involved.

Nancy Larson questioned the board regarding district policy regarding responses to public information.

The Special meeting was adjourned at 6:04 p.m.