

CEDAR GROVE-BELGIUM AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Cedar Grove, Wisconsin

Minutes of Special Board of Education Meeting – September 2, 2009

- 1-2. Call to Order and Roll Call. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Les Paul. All board members were present, except Aileen Dahlke. Also present were Julie Birschbach, Phil Burns, Jeanne Courneene, Kit Dailey, John Hocking, Carol Pomeday, Steven Shaw, John Thiele, and Sue Voskuil.
3. Proof of Notice. Proof of notice was established and the meeting was found to be properly called.
4. Consider with Possible Action a November, 2009 Referendum Election. President Paul began the meeting by expressing his opinion on going to referendum in November. He didn't feel that all of the answers were provided to the public at the August 25 Open House meeting. He added that he wants to be certain the Board has done due diligence in this project. As a Board member he said he was onboard with the referendum. As a taxpayer he said he didn't know if he wanted to pay the increase. He expressed concern for the school district budgets in future years which are hard to forecast. Steve Shaw shared information showing district enrollment history, per pupil increases, base revenues per member and district fund balances over the years, which basically showed the district is in a good position financially. He added that he too was unsure about the swimming pool question and the operating costs involved. He also reviewed the district debt payment schedule with the Board.  
Jim Lautenschlaeger stated that he also struggles with the pool question, but asked "how would the constituents feel if the pool breaks down and can't be used and they weren't given a chance to vote on it"? Dan Zuelsdorf pointed out that the public has shown support for the pool in surveys and feels the question should be left up to the public. President Paul added that he has heard a lot from the constituents about the current poor economic times. Additional discussion took place. Moved by Dan Zuelsdorf, seconded by Chad Hoopman to provide for a referendum election on November 3, 2009 on the questions of two initial resolutions authorizing issuance of general obligation bond in an amount to be determined later in the meeting.  
Motion carried unanimously.
5. Adoption of Initial Resolution Authorizing General Obligation Bonds in an Amount Not to Exceed \$21,000,000. The following resolution was then moved by Dan Zuelsdorf, Seconded by Jim Lautenschlaeger – Be it resolved by the School Board of the Cedar Grove-Belgium Area School District, Ozaukee and Sheboygan Counties, Wisconsin, that there shall be issued, pursuant to Chapter 67, Wisconsin Statutes, General Obligation Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$21,000,000 for the purpose of paying the cost of constructing and equipping a new middle school utilizing solar and geothermal technology; constructing a technical education building; refinancing property for the new middle school site; remodeling and improvements to the existing middle school building to accommodate expansion of the elementary school into such space, and development of a new softball field. Discussion followed. The Board agreed that they want to make this question reflect an education aspect only. After some discussion, Dan Zuelsdorf rescinded the motion – seconded by Jim Lautenschlaeger. A new motion was made by Dan Zuelsdorf to reduce the amount not to exceed \$20,700,000 and eliminate the phrase "development of a new softball field." A vote was taken and the motion carried by a vote of 5 yes, to 1 no, with Jeff Thiel voting no. When asked why he voted no, he said that he wanted the amount to be left at \$21,000,000 as the Board presented to the public.
6. Adoption of Initial resolution Authorizing General Obligation Bonds in an Amount Not to Exceed \$5,500,000. The Board discussed eliminating the phrases – "development of other physical education/athletic field and site improvements" to reduce the dollar amount on this resolution prior to adoption. The also reviewed how the current pool space could be utilized and the phrasing of that portion of the question.

The following resolution was then moved by Dan Zuelsdorf, seconded by Jim Lautenschlaeger – Be is resolved by the School Board of the Cedar Grove-Belgium Area School District, Ozaukee and Sheboygan Counties, Wisconsin, that there shall be issued, pursuant to Chapter 67, Wisconsin Statutes, General Obligation Bonds in an amount not to exceed \$4,500,000 for the purpose of paying the cost of constructing and equipping a swimming pool at the new middle school and the conversion of the current pool into district education space. A vote was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

The Board then finalized the Resolution for a referendum election. The following resolution which is attached to these minutes was moved by Dan Zuelsdorf and seconded by Les Paul. The motion carried unanimously.

Kit Dailey, Public Information Specialist, reviewed a referendum timeline and “District and Student Referendum Guidelines” with the Board.

5. Adjourn. President Paul adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

These minutes were read to the meeting of the school board of said school district held on September 2, 2009 and by action of the school board at said meeting were approved.

Dated September 2, 2009 Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk

I, the School Board President of said School District hereby approve the foregoing minutes in accordance with the approval of the School Board aforesaid and hereby certify to said fact that said minutes are recorded in the official minute book of the open meeting of said school district.

Dated September 2, 2009 Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
President

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A REFERENDUM ELECTION  
ON THE QUESTIONS OF THE APPROVAL OF TWO INITIAL RESOLUTIONS  
AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS  
IN AN AGGREGATE AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$25,200,000

WHEREAS, on September 2, 2009 the School Board of the Cedar Grove-Belgium Area School District, Ozaukee and Sheboygan Counties, Wisconsin (the "District"), duly adopted two initial resolutions authorizing general obligation bonds in an amount not to exceed \$20,700,000 and \$4,500,000, respectively (the "Initial Resolutions");

WHEREAS, the School Board has determined to submit the Initial Resolutions directly to the electors of the District for rejection or approval pursuant to Section 67.05(6a)(a)2.a. of the Wisconsin Statutes; and

WHEREAS, the Initial Resolutions shall not be effective unless approved by a majority of the District electors voting at the referendum.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of the District as follows:

Section 1. Referendum Election Date. A referendum election shall be held in the District on November 3, 2009 for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the District the propositions of whether the Initial Resolutions shall be approved.

Section 2. Polling Places. District electors will vote in the referendum election at their regular polling places during the hours as specified in the Type D Notice.

Section 3. Notice of Referendum Election. The Ozaukee Press is the official newspaper of the District with publication on Thursdays of each week. The District Clerk or his/her designee is directed to give notice of the referendum election as follows:

- (a) By publishing a Type A Notice of Referendum Election in the Ozaukee Press on October 1, 2009, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A.
- (b) By publishing a Type B Notice, which includes a facsimile ballot and voting instructions to electors in the Ozaukee Press on October 29, 2009, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit B.
- (c) By publishing a Type C Notice of Referendum Election in the Ozaukee Press on October 29, 2009. This notice should be printed as close as possible to the ballot portion of the Type B Notice discussed above, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit C.
- (d) By publishing a Type D Notice stating the hours the polls will be open and identifying the polling places in the Ozaukee Press on

October 29, 2009, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit D.

- (e) By publishing a Type E Notice setting forth absentee voting procedures in the Ozaukee Press on October 1, 2009, substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit E.

Section 4. Absentee Ballots. The Municipal Clerks of the municipalities within the District are hereby designated and appointed as the officials who shall receive applications for absentee ballots and initial the same when issued to qualified absentee voters.

Section 5. Report of Results of Referendum Election. In accordance with Section 67.05(3)(g) of the Wisconsin Statutes, the referendum election shall be held and conducted and the votes cast thereat counted and canvassed as in other matters voted upon and the results certified forthwith to the Clerk of the District. The District Clerk shall then report the results of the referendum election to the School Board at its next regular or special meeting.

Adopted this 2nd day of September, 2009.

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Lester Paul  
District President

ATTEST:

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Aileen Dahlke  
District Clerk

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