

School District of West Salem
Special Board Meeting Minutes
January 7, 2019
Marie Heider Meeting Room – 6:00 p.m.

Convene

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Jane Halverson. The meeting was noticed to the Coulee Courier, La Crosse Tribune, WLSU Radio 89 FM, WXOW TV-19, WKBT-TV, WKTY, WIZM, Union State Bank, First Community Credit Union, St. Joe's Country Market, River Bank-Barre Mills, West Salem Post Office, Village of West Salem, posted at each school, district web site, district office, and delivered to Board Member homes on January 14, 2019. This meeting was at the request of a Board Member.

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

Ken Schlimgen led everyone in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and Melinda Kopnisky-Bloomfield recited the District Mission Statement.

Roll Call

Present: Syl Clements, Jane Halverson, Ken Schlimgen, Tom Grosskopf, Catherine Griffin, Robin Fitzgerald, and Melinda Kopnisky-Bloomfield. Also in attendance – Administrators: Troy Gunderson, Ben Wopat, Ryan Rieber, Deanna Wiatt, and Shawn Handland; Recording secretary: Patrick Bahr.

Approval of Agenda

Mrs. Kopnisky-Bloomfield moved, Mr. Schlimgen seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion/Action Items:

Mr. Gunderson reviewed the results of the community survey that was offered to district residents following the failed November 2018 referendum. 643 surveys were completed.

Mr. Gunderson reviewed operational referendum amounts and using the revenue limit worksheets to help project.

Mrs. Kopnisky-Bloomfield moved, Mrs. Griffin seconded to go with a 3-year referendum totaling 5,300,000: 2019-2020 - 1,600,000; 2020-2021 - 1,800,000; and 2021-2022 - 1,900,000. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Kopnisky-Bloomfield moved, Mrs. Griffin seconded to adopt the following resolution:
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET TO EXCEED REVENUE LIMIT FOR THREE YEARS FOR NON-RECURRING PURPOSES.

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of the School District of West Salem, La Crosse County, Wisconsin that the revenues included in the School District budget be authorized to exceed the revenue limit specified in Section 121.91, Wisconsin Statutes, by \$1,600,000 for the 2019-2020 school year, by \$1,800,000 for the 2020-2021 school year

and by \$1,900,000 for the 2021-2022 school year, for non-recurring purposes consisting of maintaining educational programming and facilities.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Griffin moved, Mrs. Fitzgerald seconded to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR A REFERENDUM ELECTION ON THE QUESTION OF THE APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET TO EXCEED REVENUE LIMIT FOR THREE YEARS FOR NON-RECURRING PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the School Board of the School District of West Salem, La Crosse County, Wisconsin (the "District"), has heretofore duly adopted a resolution entitled: "Resolution Authorizing the School District Budget to Exceed Revenue Limit for Three Years for Non-Recurring Purposes" (the "Revenue Limit Resolution"); and

WHEREAS, the School Board deems it to be desirable and in the best interest of the District to direct the District Clerk to submit the question approved in the Revenue Limit Resolution to the electors for approval or rejection at the regularly scheduled election to be held on April 2, 2019.

Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mrs. Kopnisky-Bloomfield seconded to adjourn at 7:28 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Melinda Kopnisky-Bloomfield, Clerk