

Minutes of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 630, Red Lake Falls, MN.
The Board of Education held their special board meeting on Wednesday, August 21, 2019 in the Media Center at J.A. Hughes Elementary School.

Members present: Josiah Hoefler, Andy Knott, Lacey Konickson, Linda Schultz, and Mike Swendra, and Superintendent Guetter

Members absent: Reed Engelstad and Brad Johnson. Also in attendance were Principal Chris Bjerklie, Brad Kennett, and Union Representative Jason Kenfield.

The meeting was called to order 6:02p.m.

Knott moved, Hoefler seconded the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the agenda for Wednesday, August 21, 2019 as presented. MC

Konickson moved, Hoefler seconded the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the special board meeting held July 31, 2019 as presented. MC

Knott moved, Schultz seconded the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the money transfers, the total Payroll and other EFT transfers in the amount of \$747,170.35, the Treasurer's Report \$1,655,382.67, Student Activities report \$68,569.19 and approve the payment of checks 69059-69175 in the amount of \$359,983.74 for claims submitted and properly approved by the board. MC

Business:

Hoefler introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, which motion was seconded by Konickson:

CERTIFICATION OF MINUTES RELATING TO SPECIAL ELECTION

Issuer: Independent School District No. 630 (Red Lake Falls), Minnesota

Governing Body: School Board

Kind, date, time and place of meeting: A regular meeting, held on August 21, 2019, at 6:00 p.m., at the High School Library.

Members present: Josiah Hoefler, Andy Knott, Lacey Konickson, Linda Schultz and Mike Swendra.

Members absent: Brad Johnson and Reed Engelstad

Documents Attached:

Minutes of said meeting (including):

RESOLUTION DETERMINING THE NECESSITY OF RENEWING GENERAL EDUCATION REVENUE AND ISSUING GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, AND CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION THEREON

I, the undersigned, being the duly qualified and acting recording officer of the public corporation referred to in the title of this certificate, certify that the documents attached hereto, as

described above, have been carefully compared with the original records of said corporation in my legal custody, from which they have been transcribed; that said documents are a correct and complete transcript of the minutes of a meeting of the governing body of said corporation, and correct and complete copies of all resolutions and other actions taken and of all documents approved by the governing body at said meeting; and that said meeting was duly held by the governing body at the time and place and was attended throughout by the members indicated above, pursuant to call and notice of such meeting given as required by law.

WITNESS my hand officially as such recording officer this 21st day of August 2019.

School District Clerk

Member Hoefler introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, which motion was seconded by Member Konickson:

RESOLUTION DETERMINING THE NECESSITY OF RENEWING GENERAL EDUCATION REVENUE AND ISSUING GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, AND CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION THEREON

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 630 (Red Lake Falls), Minnesota as follows:

1. It is necessary and expedient that the School District renew its general education revenue authorized by Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.10.

2. Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.17 authorizes the School District to increase its general education revenue in an amount approved by the voters of the district at a referendum called for such purpose.

3. The School District previously approved a property tax referendum of \$1,700 per pupil, which referendum revenue authorization is scheduled to expire after taxes payable in 2020.

4. The School Board has investigated the facts and does hereby find, determine and declare that it is necessary and expedient for the voters in the School District to renew the School District's existing property tax referendum of \$1,700 per pupil. The proposed referendum revenue authorization would be applicable for five (5) years unless otherwise revoked or reduced as provided by law.

The question on the approval of this referendum revenue authorization shall be School District Ballot Question 1 on the School District ballot at a special election to be held to approve said authorization.

5. The Board has investigated the facts and does hereby find, determine and declare that it is also necessary and expedient to issue general obligation school building bonds of the School District to finance the costs of acquisition, betterment and equipping of school sites and facilities in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$8,425,000.

The question on the approval of this issuance of bonds shall be School District Ballot Question 2 on the School District ballot at a special election to be held to approve said authorization.

6. The project described in paragraph 5 hereof has been submitted to the Commissioner of Education of the State of Minnesota for Review and Comment. The Board's determination to hold the special election to authorize the issuance of the bonds is contingent upon receiving a favorable Review and Comment. When the Commissioner's favorable Review and Comment is received, the Clerk is authorized and directed to publish this favorable Review and Comment in a legal newspaper of general circulation in the School District not less than 20 nor more than 60 days prior to the special election date.

The actions of the School District's administration in consulting with the Minnesota Department 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 School District's adopted capital expenditure facilities program is hereby amended to include each program component specified in the School District's Review and Comment submission to the Commissioners and those components are incorporated in said program as though fully specified therein. The Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee is authorized and directed to prepare the necessary documentation to reflect these amendments to the program and to set forth the property tax effects of the program for each fiscal year.

7. The questions of renewing the general education revenue and issuing bonds of the School District (subject to the conditions set forth in paragraph 6 above) shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the School District at a special election, which is hereby called and directed to be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2019 between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m.

8. The Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause written notice of the special election to be: (a) provided to the County Auditors at least seventy-four (74) days before the date of the special election; (b) provided to the Commissioner of Education at least seventy-four (74) days prior to the date of the special election; (c) mailed by first class mail to every taxpayer in the School District, at least fifteen (15) days but no more than thirty (30) days prior to the date of the special election; (d) posted at the administrative offices of the School District, for public inspection, at least ten (10) days before the date of the special election; and (e) published in the official newspaper of the School District once each week for at least two consecutive weeks, with the last publication being at least one week prior to the date of the special election. The Notice of Special Election shall be prepared in substantially the following form, with such changes as may be approved by the Superintendent of the School District:

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**NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 630
(RED LAKE FALLS SCHOOLS), MINNESOTA**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election has been called and will be held in and for Independent School District No. 630 (Red Lake Falls Schools), Minnesota (the “School District”), on Tuesday, November 5, 2019 between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. to vote on the following questions:

**SCHOOL DISTRICT BALLOT QUESTION 1
RENEWAL OF EXPIRING
REFERENDUM REVENUE AUTHORIZATION**

The School Board of Independent School District No. 630 (Red Lake Falls Schools), Minnesota (the “School District”) has proposed to renew the School District’s existing referendum revenue authorization of \$1,700 per pupil which is scheduled to expire after taxes payable in 2020. The proposed referendum revenue authorization would be applicable for five (5) years, commencing with taxes payable in 2021, unless otherwise revoked or reduced as provided by law.

Shall the renewal of the expiring referendum revenue authorization proposed by the Board of Independent School District No. 630 (Red Lake Falls Schools) be approved?

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**BY VOTING “YES” ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING TO EXTEND AN
EXISTING PROPERTY TAX REFERENDUM THAT IS SCHEDULED TO EXPIRE.**

Passage of this referendum extends an existing operating referendum at the same amount per pupil as in previous years.

The projected annual dollar increases for typical residential homesteads, agricultural homesteads, apartments, commercial-industrial properties, and most other classes of property within the School District are as shown in the table below.

The figures in the tables below are based on taxes for the proposed referendum revenue levy and the bond referendum (Ballot Question 2), and do not include taxes for other purposes.

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			Ballot Question #1			Ballot Question #2		Annual Total
			Voter Approved Operating Levy Referendum			Voter-Approved G.O. School Building Bonds		
Types of Property	Estimated Market Value	Expired Authority Pay 2021		Renew Expired Authority Pay 2021	Estimated Change		Est. Annual Tax Impact	Est. Annual Tax Impact
		Est. Annual Tax Impact	Est. Annual Tax Impact	Est. Annual Tax Impact	Est. Annual Tax Impact	Est. Annual Tax Impact		
Residential Homestead	\$50,000	(\$248.18)	\$248.18	\$0.00	\$83.77	\$83.77		
	60,000	(297.82)	297.82	0.00	100.52	100.52		
	75,000	(372.27)	372.27	0.00	125.65	125.65		
	90,000	(446.72)	446.72	0.00	170.04	170.04		
	100,000	(496.36)	496.36	0.00	200.48	200.48		
	125,000	(620.45)	620.45	0.00	276.43	276.43		
	150,000	(744.54)	744.54	0.00	352.65	352.65		
	200,000	(992.72)	992.72	0.00	504.83	504.83		
	225,000	(1,116.81)	1,116.81	0.00	580.77	580.77		
	250,000	(1,240.90)	1,240.90	0.00	657.00	657.00		
Commercial / Industrial	\$100,000	(\$496.36)	\$496.36	\$0.00	\$418.83	\$418.83		
	250,000	(1,240.90)	1,240.90	0.00	1,186.67	1,186.67		
	500,000	(2,481.80)	2,481.80	0.00	2,582.76	2,582.76		
	1,000,000	(4,963.60)	4,963.60	0.00	5,374.94	5,374.94		
	Seasonal Recreational	\$100,000	(\$496.36)	\$496.36	\$0.00	\$279.22	\$279.22	
	250,000	(1,240.90)	1,240.90	0.00	698.04	698.04		
	500,000	(2,481.80)	2,481.80	0.00	1,396.09	1,396.09		
	1,000,000	(4,963.60)	4,963.60	0.00	3,141.20	3,141.20		
USES AG2School Credit of 50% for Taxes Payable 2020						Actual Tax Impact Including Reduction for Ag2School	Actual Tax Impact Including Reduction for Ag2School	
Ag. Homestead - Total Tax Impact	40 acres	\$222,500	(\$620.45)	\$620.45	\$0.00	\$344.49	\$344.49	
(assume dwelling value is \$125,000	80 acres	322,500	(620.45)	620.45	0.00	414.29	414.29	
and acreage assessed at \$2,500)	160 acres	522,500	(620.45)	620.45	0.00	553.90	553.90	
	320 acres	922,500	(620.45)	620.45	0.00	833.12	833.12	
Ag. Homestead - Tax Impact Per Acre		\$1,000	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.70	\$0.70	
(dollars per acre)		2,000	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.40	1.40	
(assumes total EMV is less than \$1.90 million)		2,500	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.75	1.75	
		3,000	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.10	2.10	
		4,000	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.79	2.79	
Agricultural Non-Homestead		\$1,000	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1.40	\$1.40	
(dollars per acre)		2,000	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.79	2.79	
		2,500	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.49	3.49	
		3,000	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.19	4.19	
		4,000	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.58	5.58	

**SCHOOL DISTRICT BALLOT QUESTION 2
APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION SCHOOL BUILDING BONDS**

Shall the School Board of Independent School District No. 630 (Red Lake Falls), Minnesota (the “School District”), be authorized to issue general obligation school building bonds in an amount not to exceed \$8,425,000, for acquisition, betterment and equipping of school sites and facilities?

BY VOTING “YES” ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING FOR A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF, THE PREMIUM, IF ANY, AND THE INTEREST ON THE BONDS.

The combined polling place for this special election and the precincts served by the polling place will be as follows:

Red Lake Falls City Hall
108 2nd Street SW
Red Lake Falls, MN 56750

This combined polling place serves all qualified electors residing in the School District during the polling hours specified above.

A voter must be registered to vote to be eligible to vote in the special election. Unregistered individuals may register to vote at the polling places on election day.

Dated: August 21, 2019**BY ORDER OF THE SCHOOL BOARD**

/s/ _____, Clerk

6. If paper ballots are being used, the Clerk is authorized and directed to secure a goldenrod colored ballot box for the deposit of ballots at each polling place and to acquire and distribute such election materials as may be necessary for the proper conduct of this special election. If an optical scan voting system is being used, the Clerk shall comply with the laws and rules governing the procedures and requirements for optical scan voting systems. The Clerk is authorized and directed to acquire and distribute such election materials and to take such other actions as may be necessary for the proper conduct of this special election and generally to cooperate with election authorities conducting any other elections on that date. The Clerk and members of the administration are authorized and directed to take such actions as may be necessary to coordinate this election with other elections, including entering into agreements with appropriate municipal and county officials regarding preparation and distribution of ballots or ballot cards, election administration, and cost sharing.

7. If paper ballots are being used, the Clerk is authorized and directed to cause a goldenrod colored printed ballot for the question to be prepared in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.08, Subdivision 4 for use at the special election. If an optical scan voting system is being used, the Clerk shall cause official ballots to be printed according to the format of ballots for optical scan voting systems provided by the laws and rules governing optical scan voting systems. The Clerk is further authorized and directed to cause a sample ballot to be posted in the administrative offices of the School District, for public inspection, at least four (4) days before the date of the special election and to cause two sample ballots to be posted in conspicuous locations at each polling place on the date of the special election and to cooperate with the proper election officials to cause ballots or ballot cards to be prepared for use at said election. The ballot shall be in substantially the following form, with such changes in form and instructions as may be necessary to accommodate the use of an optical scan voting system and with such other changes as may be approved by the Superintendent of the School District:

SPECIAL ELECTION BALLOT
SCHOOL DISTRICT BALLOT
 INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 630
 (RED LAKE FALLS SCHOOLS), MINNESOTA
 SPECIAL ELECTION

November 5, 2019

To vote for a question, put an (X) in the square next to the word "YES" for that question.

To vote against a question, put an (X) in the square next to the word "NO" for that question.

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- YES Shall the renewal of the expiring referendum revenue authorization proposed by the Board of Independent School District No. 630 (Red Lake Falls Schools) be approved?
- NO

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SCHOOL DISTRICT BALLOT QUESTION 2
APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION SCHOOL BUILDING BONDS

- YES Shall the School Board of Independent School District No. 630 (Red Lake Falls), Minnesota (the "School District"), be authorized to issue general obligation school building bonds in an amount not to exceed \$8,425,000, for acquisition, betterment and equipping of school sites and facilities?
- NO

**BY VOTING "YES" ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING FOR A
PROPERTY TAX INCREASE TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF, THE PREMIUM, IF ANY,
AND THE INTEREST ON THE BONDS.**

(Reverse side of ballot)

OFFICIAL BALLOT

November 5, 2019

Judge _____

Judge _____

(The ballot is to be initialed by two judges)

8. If the School District will be contracting to print the ballots for this special election, the Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to prepare instructions to the printer for layout of the ballot. Before a contract in excess of \$1,000 is awarded for printing ballots, the printer shall, upon request, furnish, in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 204D.04, a sufficient bond, letter of credit or certified check acceptable to the Clerk in an amount not less than \$1,000 conditioned on printing the ballots in conformity with the Minnesota election law and the instructions delivered. The Clerk shall set the amount of the bond, letter of credit or certified check in an amount equal to the value of the purchase.

9. The Clerk shall prepare and have ready for use absentee ballots at least 46 days prior to the special election in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 204B.35, subdivision 4.

10. The Board shall appoint election judges and alternates in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 204B.21. The appointments will be made at least 25 days prior to the special election.

11. The special election shall be held and the returns made and canvassed in the manner prescribed by law and the Board shall meet on a date between the third day, November 8, 2019 and the tenth day, November 15, 2019, after the special election for the purpose of canvassing the results thereof.

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12. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.07, subdivision 3a, the Clerk is hereby instructed to notify the Commissioner of Education in writing of the certified vote totals for the ballot question in a timely manner.

Upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:
Josiah Hofer, Andy Knott, Lacey Konickson, Linda Schultz, Mike Swendra

and the following voted against the same: None

whereupon the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Hofer moved, Schultz seconded the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to accept the resignation of Stacie Schmitz and Wyatt Casavan with regrets.

Konickson moved, Knott seconded the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the contracts of Linda Wilson to a 9 month contract, Michelle Spurgin as a Special Education teacher, Amanda Mutnansky-4th grade teacher, Kelly Hicks, Patty Mickelson and Lindsey Gagner as paraprofessionals, Kelly Syverson as night cleaner, Brad Kennett- Assistant Hockey Coach, and Morgan Williams as Jr. High Girls Basketball Coach. MC

Konickson moved, Knott seconded the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to approve all other extra-curricular contracts for the 2019-2020 school year as presented. MC

Schultz moved, Hofer seconded the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the Inter-County School nursing contract for the 2019-2020 school year. MC

Knott moved, Hofer seconded the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to reject offers from the City of RLF for the arena, hall, baseball and football field leases. MC

Hofer moved, Schultz seconded the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to increase the bus driver route to \$70 per regular route plus \$20 per hour for extra-curricular. MC

Schultz moved, Konickson seconded the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the contract with speech partners for 2019-2020. MC

Konickson moved, Knott seconded the following motion: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the athletic split with RLCC for the 2019-2019 school year as presented. MC

Principals Reports: Principal Kennett gave his report on staff next week and the tech workshop last week, AED, first aid and MCA Scores. Principal Bjerklie gave his report on next week's schedule, staff changes and additions, change in enrollment and the MCA's.

Superintendent Report: Superintendent Guetter reported on Federal programs and funding, 403B Restatement, Adult Basic Education, Safety Grant is fully executed, Audit results, Corporate Sponsorship, Speech Therapy Service contract, Bus Driver pay.

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Meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

Mike Swendra, Chairman

Reed Engelstad, Clerk