

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #912

MILACA, MINNESOTA 56353

November 10, 2008 – 7:00 pm

BOARD OF EDUCATION ROOM

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING – 7:00 PM

I. CALL TO ORDER REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE- *Chairperson, Pat Nelson*

II. ROLL CALL - CLERK Those present: Those absent:

Voting Rotation: Jody Chambers, Todd Quaintance, Linda Ramson, Pat Nelson, Bob Bunger, Aimee Struffert, Connie Patnode

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

IV. ITEMS ON WHICH BOARD DISCUSSION AND ACTION IS REQUESTED

A. Adopt the Resolution Canvassing Returns of Votes of School District General Election

Board Member _____ introduced the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION CANVASSING RETURNS
OF VOTES OF SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL ELECTION**

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No.912, as follows:

1. It is hereby found, determined and declared that the general election of the voters of the district held on November 4, 2008, was in all respects duly and legally called and held.

2. As specified in the attached Abstract and Return of Votes Cast, a total of 6,698 voters of the district voted at said election on the election of three school board members for four year term vacancies on the board caused by expiration of term on the first Monday in January next following the general election as follows:

Aimee Struffert	<u>1,953</u>
Pat Nelson	<u>2,056</u>
Gay Lynn Sikkink	<u>1,610</u>
Blayne Parkos	<u>644</u>
Veronica Chapp	<u>1,435</u>
Skye Burma	<u>1,168</u>
Kevin McLouth	<u>1,240</u>
Jeff Larson	<u>2,627</u>

3. Jeff Larson, Pat Nelson, Aimee Struffert having received the highest number of votes, are elected to four year terms beginning the first Monday in January, 2009.

4. The school district clerk is hereby authorized to certify the results of the election to the county auditor of each county in which the school district is located in whole or in part.

The motion for the adoption for the foregoing Resolution was duly seconded by Board Member _____, and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

and the following voted against the same:

whereupon, said Resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

B. Adopt the Resolution Canvassing Returns of Votes of School District General Election

Board Member _____ introduced the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION CANVASSING RETURNS
OF VOTES OF SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL ELECTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No.912, as follows:

1. It is hereby found, determined and declared that the special election of the voters of this district held on November 4, 2008, was in all respects duly and legally called and held.

2. As specified in the attached Abstract and Return of Votes Cast, a total of 6,698 voters of the district voted at said election on the question of should the proposed increase to the general education revenue by \$350 per pupil by the board of Independent School District No. 912 be approved? (School District Ballot Question), of which 2,156 voted in favor, 3,668 voted against the same, and there were 213 completely blank or defective ballots relating to this question.

3. Said proposition, having not received the approval of at least a majority of such votes, is hereby declared to have failed.

4. The school district clerk is hereby directed to certify the results of the election to the county auditor of each county in which the school district is located in whole or in part.

The motion for the adoption for the foregoing Resolution was duly seconded by Board Member _____, and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

and the following voted against the same:

whereupon, said Resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

C. OPEB Liability Update – Proposed Response to “How to Fund the Liability”

This item was tabled at the October 20th Board meeting.

Discussion

The Superintendent and the Business Manager recommend proceeding with the bond election for OPEB as allowed by the legislature.

Motion to direct the administration to proceed with the bond election for OPEB as allowed by the legislature.

V. SUPERINTENDENT AND BOARD MEMBER ITEMS

A. Building Assessment Funding

VI. ADJOURNMENT

So, How Are The Children?

This is a traditional greeting among the African Masai Tribe acknowledging the high value that the Masai place on their children's well-being. Even warriors with no children of their own give the traditional answer. "All the children are well." Meaning, that peace and safety prevail, that the priorities of protecting the young, and the powerless are in place, and that we have not forgotten our reason for being, our proper functions and responsibilities. "All the children are well" means that life is good.

Speech by Rev Patrick T. O'Neill

MILACA SCHOOL DISTRICT GOALS

1. Reading and Math Goal

The District will make incremental improvement over the next five years in both reading and math scores on all state tests and will reach 90-92% proficient by 2007-2008 in all grades.

2. Parent Involvement Goal

The District will research and work toward increasing parent/community involvement in their children's reading and math education in order to provide additional reading and math instructional support toward attainment of Goal 1.