

Smithville R-II Board of Education

Budget Workshop Minutes

Monday, May 4, 2020 (7:00 PM)

Meeting Held by Video Conference

Due to the guidelines and recommendations of local authorities and health organizations regarding the COVID-19 pandemic

The public could access the meeting electronically at the following link:

<https://stream.meet.google.com/stream/d5d735f7-9364-479f-aeed-f621b363285a>.

For members of the public who did not have the ability to view the meeting electronically and would like to observe or participate in the meeting, the District provided computer accessibility to view the meeting electronically at the following location: the large meeting room of the District office at 655 S. Commercial Ave., however, due to the social distancing restrictions imposed as a result of the COVID-19 outbreak, the number of people who may view the meeting electronically at this physical location was limited. The District requested that any members of the public who wished to view the meeting at this location to contact the District prior to the meeting at 816-532-0406 to ensure space was available. No members of the public were present at this location.

A recording of the virtual board meeting is available on the District website.

1.0 Call to Order by Chairperson:

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Board President, Russell Fries.

2.0 Board of Education Present:

(All present by video conference)

Denney Fales
Greg Chastain
Russell Fries
Len Matthies
Sarah Lamer
Ian Saxton
Wade Kiefer

3.0 Administrators Present

1. Todd Schuetz, Superintendent
2. Wayne Krueger, Asst. Superintendent
3. Michelle Kratofil, Asst. Superintendent
4. Ashley Jones, Dir. of Human Resources
5. Andrea Ambroson, Dir. of Student Services
6. Robert Hedgecorth, Dir. of Technology
8. Tod Winterboer, Middle School Principal
9. Denise Harwood, Horizon Elementary Principal
10. Rena Hawkins, Maple Elementary Principal
11. Casey Kuska, Horizon Elem. Asst. Principal

Pledge of Allegiance

4.0 Adoption/Modification of Agenda

4.1 Adoption/Modification of Agenda

Recommendation: Motion to modify the agenda as follows:

Add New Business 6.2 Discussion of June Board Meeting Dates

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Denney Fales)** Moved, Member **(Wade Kiefer)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Motion to modify the agenda as follows: Add New Business 6.2 Discussion of June Board Meeting Dates'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **7** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 7 - 0**

Denney Fales Yes
Greg Chastain Yes
Russell Fries Yes
Sarah Lamer Yes
Wade Kiefer Yes
Ian Saxton Yes
Len Matthies Yes

5.0 Old Business

5.1 Resolution calling an election on whether the District should issue \$14,100,000 in general obligation bonds for the purpose of constructing, improving, renovating, furnishing and equipping school facilities

Recommendation: Dr. Schuetz and Mr. Krueger recommend a resolution calling an election authorizing the District to issue \$14,100,000 in general obligation bonds for the purpose of constructing, improving, renovating, furnishing and equipping school facilities on August 4, 2020, as defined in the district's master facility plan.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Len Matthies)** Moved, Member **(Wade Kiefer)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Dr. Schuetz and Mr. Krueger recommend a resolution calling an election authorizing the District to issue \$14,100,000 in general obligation bonds for the purpose of constructing, improving, renovating, furnishing and equipping school facilities on August 4, 2020, as defined in the district's master facility plan. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **7** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 7 - 0**

Russell Fries Yes
Denney Fales Yes
Sarah Lamer Yes
Greg Chastain Yes
Wade Kiefer Yes
Ian Saxton Yes
Len Matthies Yes

5.2 Resolution calling an election on whether the District should increase its operating tax levy ceiling by \$0.10 per \$100 of assessed valuation to provide funds for the purpose of paying general operating expenses for the District

Recommendation: Dr. Schuetz and Mr. Krueger recommend a resolution calling an election on August 4, 2020, authorizing the District to increase its operating tax levy ceiling by \$0.10 per \$100 of assessed valuation to provide funds for the purpose of paying general operating expenses for the District. If this question is approved, the adjusted operating property tax levy of the District is expected to increase from \$3.9465 to \$4.0465 per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation of real and personal property and the District expects to make a corresponding reduction of its debt service property tax levy by \$0.10 from \$1.1535 to \$1.0535 per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation, resulting in the estimated overall District adjusted property tax levy remaining unchanged at \$5.1000 per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member **(Sarah Lamer)** Moved, Member **(Ian Saxton)** Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Dr. Schuetz and Mr. Krueger recommend a resolution calling an election on August 4, 2020, authorizing the District to increase its operating tax levy ceiling by \$0.10 per \$100 of assessed valuation to provide funds for the purpose of paying general operating expenses for the District. If this question is approved, the adjusted operating property tax levy of the District is expected to increase from \$3.9465 to \$4.0465 per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation of real and personal property and the District expects to make a corresponding reduction of its debt service

property tax levy by \$0.10 from \$1.1535 to \$1.0535 per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation, resulting in the estimated overall District adjusted property tax levy remaining unchanged at \$5.1000 per one hundred dollars of assessed valuation'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **7** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 7 - 0**

Sarah Lamer Yes
Len Matthies Yes
Denney Fales Yes
Russell Fries Yes
Greg Chastain Yes
Wade Kiefer Yes
Ian Saxton Yes

6.0 New Business

6.1 Personnel Recommendations

Recommendation: Ashley Jones recommends the Board approve all personnel matters as authorized by paragraph (3) of Section 610.021, RSMo.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Denney Fales**) Moved, Member (**Ian Saxton**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Ashley Jones recommends the Board approve all personnel matters as authorized by paragraph (3) of Section 610.021, RSMo'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **7** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 7 - 0**

Len Matthies Yes
Greg Chastain Yes
Ian Saxton Yes
Russell Fries Yes
Denney Fales Yes
Wade Kiefer Yes
Sarah Lamer Yes

6.2 Discussion of June Board Meeting Dates

Recommendation: Approve June board meeting dates as follows:

June 10, 2020 – Reorganization Meeting and Regular Board Meeting

June 24, 2020 – Budget Approval Meeting

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Ian Saxton**) Moved, Member (**Len Matthies**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Approve June board meeting dates as follows: June 10, 2020-Reorganization Meeting and Regular Board Meeting; June 24, 2020-Budget Approval Meeting'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **7** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 7 - 0**

Sarah Lamer Yes
Denney Fales Yes
Len Matthies Yes
Russell Fries Yes
Greg Chastain Yes
Wade Kiefer Yes
Ian Saxton Yes

7.0 Budget Workshop

7.1 Presentation of current FY20 budget and FY21 budget projections

The Board considered financial data presented by Wayne Krueger, Assistant Superintendent for Support Services.

8.0 Adjournment

8.1 Adjourn Meeting

Recommendation: Adjourn meeting.

ORIGINAL - Motion

Member (**Len Matthies**) Moved, Member (**Sarah Lamer**) Seconded to approve the **ORIGINAL** motion 'Adjourn meeting'. Upon a roll call vote being taken, the vote was: Aye: **7** Nay: **0**. The motion **Carried. 7 - 0**

Denney Fales Yes

Greg Chastain Yes

Ian Saxton Yes

Sarah Lamer Yes

Russell Fries Yes

Wade Kiefer Yes

Len Matthies Yes

The meeting was duly adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

SECRETARY

PRESIDENT