

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
November 13, 2019

The Pelican Rapids Board of Education held a regular meeting on November 13, 2019 in the board room at the high school at 6:00 p.m. Board members present: Brittany Dokken, Michael Forsgren, Jon Karger, Brenda Olson, Anne Peterson, Greg Larson. Board members absent: None. Others present: Superintendent Dr. Ed Richardson, Derrick Nelson, Brian Korf, Rudy Martinez, Barb Ripley, Peter Casella, Logan Petznick, Lou Hoglund.

The meeting was called to order by Jon Karger.

Anne Peterson moved to approve the meeting agenda. The motion was seconded by Brittany Dokken and carried.

Greg Larson moved to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following items:

Approve board minutes – regular board meeting September 16, 2019

Financial claims October bills

Treasurer's Report

Accept donations:

To DAPE program – Amanda & Kevin Backstrom \$1,645

To SADD – American Legion Auxiliary \$75

To Scholarships in memory of Wes Palmer – Jerry & Gloria Wilm \$25

Personnel:

Approve a medical leave for Kim Gottenborg from January 7, 2020 to approximately February 4, 2020

Hire Lois Stroh as a long-term substitute for Kim Gottenborg

Hire Cody Shaffer as assistant girls basketball coach

Hire Ryan Syverson as JH boys basketball coach

Hire Manda Erickson as a special ed para effective 10.22.19

Approve corrective action letter to the MDE Commissioner for capital expenditures

The motion was seconded by Brenda Olson and carried.

Anne Peterson moved to approve the 2018-19 audit report as presented by Brian Stavenger from EideBailly. The motion was seconded by Michael Forsgren and carried.

Greg Larson introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING COMBINED POLLING PLACES  
FOR MULTIPLE PRECINCTS AND  
DESIGNATING HOURS DURING WHICH THE POLLING  
PLACES WILL REMAIN OPEN FOR VOTING  
FOR SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTIONS NOT HELD  
ON THE DAY OF A STATEWIDE ELECTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 548, State of Minnesota, as follows:

1. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.11, the precincts and polling places for school district elections are those precincts or parts of precincts located within the boundaries of the school district which have been established by the cities or towns located in whole or in part within the school district. The board hereby confirms those precincts and polling places so established by those municipalities.

2. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.11, the board may establish a combined polling place for several precincts for school district elections not held on the day of a statewide election. **Each combined polling place must be a polling place that has been designated by a county or municipality.** The following combined polling places are established to serve the precincts specified for all school district special and general elections not held on the same day as a statewide election:

Combined Polling Place: Pelican Rapids City Hall  
315 N. Broadway  
Pelican Rapids, MN 56572

This combined polling place serves all territory in Independent School District No. 548 located in Candor Township; Dora Township; Dunn Township; Elizabeth Township; the City of Erhard; Erhards Grove Township; Friberg Township; Lida Township; Maplewood Township; Norwegian Grove Township; Oscar Township; the City of Pelican Rapids; Pelican Township; Scambler Township; Star Lake Township; Trondhjem Township; Otter Tail County, Minnesota; Cormorant Township; Lake Eunice Township; Becker County, Minnesota; Parke Township; Tansem Township; Clay County, Minnesota.

**Note: See Section 2.3.2 of the Election Manual regarding changing polling places in the case of an emergency or if the polling place is no longer available.**

\*3. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.09, the polling places will remain open for voting for school district elections not held on the same day as a statewide election between the hours of 7 o'clock a.m. and 8:00 o'clock p.m.

Note: See Section 3.6 of the Election Manual regarding certain restrictions on voting hours.

4. The clerk is directed to file a certified copy of this resolution with the county auditors of each of the counties in which the school district is located, in whole or in part, within thirty (30) days after its adoption.

5. As required by Minnesota Statutes, Section 204B.16, Subdivision 1a, the clerk is hereby authorized and directed to give written notice of new polling place locations to each affected household with at least one registered voter in the school district whose school district polling place location has been changed. The notice must be a nonforwardable notice mailed at least twenty-five (25) days before the date of the first election to which it will apply. A notice that is returned as undeliverable must be forwarded immediately to the appropriate county auditor, who shall change the registrant's status to "challenged" in the statewide registration system.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Brittany Dokken and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

Brittany Dokken, Anne Peterson, Jon Karger, Michael Forsgren, Greg Larson, Brenda Olson and the following voted against the same:

None

whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Greg Larson 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. 548, State of Minnesota, as follows:

1. It is hereby found, determined and declared that the special election of the voters of this school district held on November 5, 2019, was in all respects duly and legally called and held.

2. As specified in the attached Abstract and Return of Votes Cast, at said election a total of 1304 voters of the school district voted on the question of increasing the referendum revenue authorization of the school district for taxes payable in 2020 and thereafter (SCHOOL DISTRICT QUESTION 1), of which 676 voted in favor, 626 voted against the same, and there were 2 completely blank or defective ballots. Said proposition, having received the approval of at least a majority of such votes, is hereby declared to have carried.

3. The clerk is hereby directed to certify the results of the election to the county auditors of each county in which the school district is located in whole or in part. The clerk is also directed to report the results of the referendum revenue authorization election to the Commissioner of Education within fifteen (15) days of the date hereof.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member Brittany Dokken and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

Brittany Dokken, Anne Peterson, Jon Karger, Michael Forsgren, Greg Larson, Brenda Olson and the following voted against the same:

None

whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Greg Larson moved to approve the ADM's for the 2020-21 fiscal year as presented at 851. The motion was seconded by Brenda Olson and carried.

Jon Karger moved to close the meeting to discuss negotiations strategy. The motion was seconded by Michael Forsgren and carried.

The meeting was reopened and adjourned.

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Board Chair

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Board Clerk