

The Board of Trustees called a special meeting for public discussion of the supplemental levy. Those in attendance were Chairman Cecil Martin, Vice-chairman Bryce Scrimsher, Trustees Dustin Heinzerling and Kathryn Bomar, Superintendent Alan Felgenhauer, Principal Shannon Morris, Clerk/Treasurer Loretta Hammond-Nichols, two patrons and four staff members. (Absent-Trustee Eric Steigers/business meeting)

ORDER/SALUTE

Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m. and those present joined in the flag salute. Mr. Martin informed the Board that this special meeting was to provide an opportunity for the public to ask any questions they have regarding the two-year supplemental levy request. The Board will provide answers to those questions the best they can.

LEVY DISCUSSION

Superintendent informed the patrons that this is not an additional new tax. The existing levy runs out June 30, 2014. This levy will replace the old one for another two years for the same amount.

Patron concerned if the \$250,000 levy request for each of the next two years will be adequate.

Superintendent responded with a yes as the school staff is invested in being cost effective in expenditures. We have staff that graduated from Culdesac School who cares about the school.

Patron remarked that they are amazed what the school has accomplished with the amount of funds they have to work with. The school and staff are more positive. It is great to have athletics and events again which gives the school a sense of stability. It is good to give the community the opportunity to ask questions regarding the levy items.

Chairman noted that the old building and the maintenance upkeep is a priority. The school has good staff that keeps it in good condition.

Trustee Bryce Scrimsher commented that the staff is not here because of the money but their heart drives them. Mr. Scrimsher commented on the nice new metal roof on the Elementary wing.

Patron asked about the leaks on the main roof and commented that flat roofs are not a good idea for schools.

Superintendent responded that a new metal roof will replace the main building roof and the boiler needs replaced as well. The levy funds will help to cover those costs.

Patron commented that they like the two year levy as it helps the homeowners budget for those tax dollars.

Chairman explained that an inspection of the roof when drains were plugged showed a collection pool of about three feet of water. That weight is not good on a roof. The leaks have received band aide repairs in the past, but now we need to replace the roof.

Staff commented that they appreciate the positive attitude of the Superintendent and a two year levy gives the staff some security.

Chairman Martin explained that the ballots were mailed out and everyone has until March 11 to return them to the County. This meeting was scheduled to give the community an opportunity to get any questions they have answered.

Patron commented that the newspaper reported that the Legislature is going to fund education better which sounds hopeful.

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Superintendent Felgenhauer noted that the additional funds from the State Department of Education will help the District in keeping the levy amount at the \$250,000 amount.

Chairman commented that a two-year levy gives stability in budgeting for medium range and helps with long range

planning. We try to maintain this old building and update the structure as needed for technology.

Patron responded that they find that preventive maintenance is more efficient versus covering breakdowns.

Patron reported that they appreciate the cleanliness of the school. The community appreciates the school keeping the cost down on the levy and the school open.

Board thanked the patrons and staff for attending and supporting the levy.

Patron asked if the Board had all five members now.

Chairman replied yes as Eric Steigers was appointed several months ago but had another meeting tonight to attend. Mr. Martin asked everyone to remind their neighbors to vote.

ADJOURNED: 7:32 P.M.

Chairman
Clerk