

JOHNSON CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT
Finance Committee Meeting Minutes
Monday, February 1, 2016
District Office
5:30 p.m.

Treasurer Andrew Swanson called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Duane Draeger, June McCaffery, Treasurer Andrew Swanson, and Superintendent Michael Garvey

Also Present: Rick Wrench

Dr. Garvey verified that the meeting was properly posted pursuant to s.s. 19.84(1) Wis. Statutes

Motion by Draeger/McCaffery to adopt the agenda as posted. Motion Carried.

Dr. Garvey presented three financing recommendations.

Recommendation #1:

Authorize the borrowing of \$1M to complete the new building construction project (use identical language as the referendum as to inclusions). Complete the borrowing under the \$1M exemption which requires Board authorization.

Recommendation #2:

Authorize the borrowing of \$1M or \$1.5M to begin construction of the athletic fields. Complete the borrowing under the revenue limited which requires Board authorization and a 30 day petition period. Complete this at a separate Board meeting.

Recommendation #3:

Work with Brian Brewer from Baird and consider locking in additional referendum monies into favorable interest rates through refunding bonds.

Dr. Garvey shared the recommendation and answered questions concerning each. He recommended that the Board consider recommendations #1 and #2 at separate meetings. He stated that they are two separate issues and thus should be separately considered.

Recommendation #3 would not require Committee action at this meeting but would require Board action when the borrowing is actually structured.

Motion by Draeger/Swanson to recommend that the Board authorize the borrowing of \$1M to complete the new building construction project (using identical language as the referendum as to inclusions) and to complete the borrowing under the revenue limits using the \$1M exemption which requires Board authorization. Motion Carried.

Motion by Draeger/Swanson to recommend that the Board authorize the borrowing of \$1M to begin construction of the athletic fields this spring based upon fund raising success of money and pledges and that the District would apply for a State trust fund loan to provide flexibility of early payback if fundraising and pledges are received earlier than scheduled and to complete the borrowing under the revenue limits which requires Board authorization and a 30 day petition period and to authorize such borrowing at a separate meeting then recommendation #1.

Roll Call vote: Draeger (Y), McCaffery (N), Swanson (Y)

Yes - 2 No – 1 Motion Carried

The Committee members concurred that the District should work with Brian Brewer from Baird and consider locking in additional referendum monies (which are in a 5 year note) into favorable interest rates, through refunding bonds. Mr. Brewer will advise the Board as to combining this borrowing with the borrowing (if authorized) in recommendation #1.

Motion by McCaffery/Swanson to adjourn. Motion Carried.

Submitted By:

Michael P. Garvey, Ph.D.
Superintendent