

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #2396  
ACGC SCHOOL BOARD  
THURSDAY, AUGUST 9, 2018  
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING – 8:00AM  
JSHS DISTRICT OFFICE–GROVE CITY, MN

Members Present: Hendrickson, Rivard, Rasmussen, Stafford, Lilleberg, Morrison, Kaisner

Members Absent: 0

Administration Present: Onstad, Maurer

Visitors Present: 1 (via Phone)

Student Member Present: 0

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:00AM by Hendrickson.

II. BUSINESS

- A. Member Rivard introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, which motion was seconded by Member Morrison:

RESOLUTION RELATING TO DETERMINING THE NECESSITY OF  
ISSUING GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND CALLING A SPECIAL  
ELECTION THEREON (*as presented*)

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board (the Board) of Independent School District  
No. 2396 (Atwater-Cosmos-Grove City), Minnesota (the School District) as follows:

It is hereby found, determined and declared as follows:

1. The Board has investigated the facts and does hereby find, determine and declare that it is necessary and expedient to issue general obligation school building bonds of the School District in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$15,500,000 (the Bonds) for acquisition and betterment of school sites and facilities, including safety and security improvements and deferred maintenance at ACGC Elementary (Atwater site) and ACGC Junior/Senior High (Grove City site), pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 475.

2. The projects described in paragraph 1 have been or will be submitted to the Commissioner of Education of the State of Minnesota for Review and Comment. The actions of the School District's administration in applying to the Minnesota Department of Education for the Commissioner's Review and Comment and taking such other actions as necessary to comply with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 123B.71, as amended, are hereby authorized, approved and ratified in all respects. The Board's determination to hold the election to authorize the issuance of the Bonds is contingent upon receiving a favorable Review and Comment. When the Commissioner's favorable Review and Comment is received, the Clerk is authorized and directed to publish a summary of the Review and Comment in a legal newspaper of general circulation in the School District not less than twenty (20) nor more than sixty (60) days before the special election date and the School District will hold a public meeting on the Review and Comment prior to the date of the election.

3. The question on the issuance of the Bonds shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the School District at a special election, which is hereby called and directed to be held in conjunction with the state general election on Tuesday, November 6, 2018, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

4. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.11, the precincts and polling places for this special election are those precincts or parts of precincts located within the boundaries of the School District which have been established by the governing bodies located in whole or in part within the School District.

5. The Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause written notice of the special election to be: (a) provided to each County Auditor at least seventy-four (74) days before the date of the special election; (b) provided to the Commissioner of Education at least seventy-four (74) days before the date of the special election; (c) posted at the administrative offices of the School District, for public inspection, at least ten (10) days before the date of the special election; and (d) published in the official newspaper of the School District once each week for at least two consecutive weeks, with the last publication being at least one week before the date of the special election. The Notice of Special Election shall be prepared in substantially the following form:

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION**  
**INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2396**  
**(ATWATER-COSMOS-GROVE CITY), MINNESOTA**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election has been called and will be held in and for Independent School District No. 2396 (Atwater-Cosmos-Grove City), Minnesota, on November 6, 2018, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. to vote on the following question:

**School District Question**

**Approval of School Building Bonds**

Shall the board of Independent School District No. 2396 (Atwater-Cosmos-Grove City), Minnesota be authorized to issue general obligation school building bonds in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$15,500,000 for acquisition and betterment of school sites and facilities, including safety and security improvements and deferred maintenance at ACGC Elementary (Atwater site) and ACGC Junior/Senior High (Grove City site)?

**BY VOTING “YES” ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING FOR A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE**

The precincts and polling places for the special election will be the precincts and polling places used for the state general election.

All qualified electors residing in said School District may cast their ballots at the polling places for the precincts in which they reside during the polling hours specified above.

A voter must be registered to vote to be eligible to vote in the special election. Unregistered individuals may register to vote at the polling places on election day.

Dated: August 9, 2018.

BY ORDER OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_, Clerk

6. The Clerk is authorized and directed to acquire and distribute such election materials as may be necessary for the proper conduct of this special election. If an optical scan voting system is being used, the Clerk shall comply with the laws and rules governing the procedures and requirements for optical scan voting systems. The Clerk is authorized and directed to acquire and distribute such election materials and to take such other actions as may be necessary for the proper conduct of this special election and generally to cooperate with election authorities conducting any other elections on that date. The Clerk and members of the administration are authorized and directed to take such actions as may be necessary to coordinate this election with other elections, including entering into agreements with appropriate municipal and county officials regarding preparation and distribution of ballots or ballot cards, election administration, and cost sharing.

7. The Clerk is authorized and directed to cause a printed ballot for the question to be prepared in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.08, Subdivision 5 and the rules of the secretary of state for use at the special election. If an optical scan voting system is being used, the Clerk shall cause official ballots to be printed according to the format of ballots for optical scan voting systems provided by the laws and rules governing optical scan voting systems. The Clerk is further authorized and directed to cause a sample ballot to be posted in the administrative offices of the School District, for public inspection, at least four (4) days before the date of the special election and to cause two sample ballots to be posted at each polling place on the date of the special election and to cooperate with the proper election officials to cause ballots or ballot cards to be prepared for use at said election. The ballot shall be in substantially the following form, with such changes in form and instructions as may be necessary to accommodate the use of an optical scan voting system:

**Special Election Ballot**  
**School District Ballot**  
**Independent School District No. 2396**  
**(Atwater-Cosmos-Grove City), Minnesota**  
**November 6, 2018**

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**Instructions to Voters**

To vote, completely fill in the oval(s) next to your choice(s) like this:



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To vote for a question, fill in the oval next to the word "Yes" for that question.

To vote against a question, fill in the oval next to the word "No" for that question.

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**School District Question**

**Approval of School Building Bonds**

**YES**  
 **NO**

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(Reverse side of ballot)

OFFICIAL BALLOT

November 6, 2018

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Judge

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Judge

(The ballot is to be initialed by two judges)

8. If the School District will be contracting to print the ballots for this special election, the Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to prepare instructions to the printer for layout of the ballot. Before a contract in excess of \$1,000 is awarded for printing ballots, the printer shall, upon request, furnish in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 204D.04 a sufficient bond, letter of credit or certified check acceptable to the Clerk in an amount not less than \$1,000 conditioned on printing the ballots in conformity with the Minnesota election law and the instructions delivered. The Clerk shall set the amount of the bond, letter of credit or certified check in an amount equal to the value of the purchase.

9. The individuals designated as judges for the state general election shall act as election judges for this special election and shall conduct the special election at the various polling places in the manner prescribed by law.

10. The special election shall be held and the returns made and canvassed in the manner prescribed by law and the Board shall meet on a date between the third day, November 9, 2018, and the tenth day, November 16, 2018, after the special election for the purpose of canvassing the results thereof.

11. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.07, Subdivision 3a, the Clerk is hereby instructed to notify the Commissioner of Education of the results of the special election and to provide the certified vote totals for the ballot question in written form within fifteen (15) days after the results have been certified by the Board.

12. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 211A.02, Subdivision 6, the Clerk is hereby instructed to make any campaign finance reports filed with the Clerk by campaign committees within seven (7) days after the special election available on the School District's web site as soon as possible, but no later than thirty (30) days after receipt of any such report. The Clerk is further instructed to provide the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board with a link to the section of web site where such reports are made available. Such reports must remain available on the web site for four (4) years from the date first posted.

Upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:  
Rivard, Rasmussen, Stafford, Lilleberg, Morrison, Kaisner, Hendrickson

and the following voted against the same:  
None

whereupon the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

III. BOARD COMMENTS - NONE

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Rasmussen, seconded by Kaisner and carried, to adjourn the meeting at 8:10PM.