

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
BEMIDJI AREA SCHOOLS
NOVEMBER 9, 2021**

The special meeting of the Board of Education, Bemidji Area Schools, Bemidji, Beltrami/Hubbard Counties, Minnesota, was held on Tuesday, November 9, 2021, at 7:30 a.m., in the District Office Board Room.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jeff Lind, Carol L. Johnson, Ann Long Voelkner, Gabriel Warren, Sarah Young, and Superintendent Tim Lutz

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jeff Haack
Maya Lindquist, Student Representative
Savannah Haugen, Student Representative

CALL TO ORDER: 7:31 a.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The motion was offered by Sarah Young, seconded by Carol L. Johnson, and carried by all in attendance to approve the agenda.

PREVIEW OF AGENDA – SUPERINTENDENT TIM LUTZ

AGENDA:

Resolution Relating to Canvassing Returns of Special Election

The Clerk presented affidavits showing filing, mailing, publishing and posting of notice, in accordance with the resolution adopted July 19, 2021, of the special election held November 2, 2021, to vote on the question on revoking the existing referendum revenue authorization and approving a new referendum revenue authorization. The Clerk also presented the Official Returns and Summary Statements of Judges. The affidavits and the Official Returns and Summary Statements of Judges were duly examined, approved and ordered placed on file in the office of the Clerk.

Member Gabriel Warren introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, which motion was seconded by Member Jeff Lind.

RESOLUTION RELATING TO CANVASSING RETURNS OF SPECIAL ELECTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 31 (Bemidji), Minnesota that the special election held in and for the School District on November 2, 2021, was in all respects duly and legally called and held, the returns thereof have been duly canvassed, and the votes cast at the special election for and against the question submitted to the electors were as follows:

**School District Question
Revoking Existing Referendum Revenue Authorization;
Approving New Authorization**

The board of Independent School District No. 31 (Bemidji), Minnesota has proposed to revoke all of the School District's existing referendum revenue authorization of \$180 per pupil and replace that authorization with a new authorization of \$460 per pupil. The proposed referendum revenue authorization would be first levied in 2021 for taxes payable in 2022 and applicable for ten (10) years unless otherwise revoked or reduced as provided by law.

Shall the revocation of the existing referendum authorization and the new authorization proposed by the board of Independent School District No. 31 (Bemidji), Minnesota be approved?

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

<u>Votes YES</u>	<u>Votes NO</u>	<u>Spoiled, Defective or Blank Ballots</u>	<u>TOTAL VOTES</u>
3432	3749	2	7183

The ballot question, having not received the approval of a majority of the votes cast, is hereby declared not to have carried.

Pursuant to Section 126C.17, Subdivision 9 and 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 15 days after the results have been certified by the Board.

Upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Carol L. Johnson, Gabriel Warren, Jeff Lind, Sarah Young, and Ann Long Voelkner and the following voted against the same: None.

WHEREUPON, the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted and was signed by the Chairperson and attested by the Clerk.

/S/ Chairperson
Attest: /S/ School District Clerk

Adjournment

The motion was offered by Carol L. Johnson, seconded by Sarah Young, and carried by all in attendance to adjourn the meeting. Time: 7:37 a.m.

Sarah Young, Clerk

Date Approved

Ann Long Voelkner, Chair

Date Approved