

PUTNAM COUNTY COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #535

Recommendation for the Board of Education

Meeting: July 16th, 2024

Item: Resolution for Referendum

Recommendation: I recommend that the Board of Education approve the resolution providing for and requiring the submission of the proposition of issuing bonds to the voters of the District at the general election to be held on November 5th, 2024.

The recent results of the Spring 2024 Community Survey support submission of the proposition and letting the voters of the District decide.

While the Board's potential approval of submission is not the culmination of its efforts, it is a significant step forward since the Long-Range Facilities Analysis began as a goal from strategic planning in March 2022. The past two-and-a-half years have been marked by extensive research, analysis, discussion, and decision-making, reflecting the community's dedication to the District's students and schools.

The proposed bond issuance will position the District as a leader in education and prepared for the ever-changing future. With these funds, the District will be able to implement the master plan with a primary focus on creating a single, cohesive District campus that enhances student learning environments and operational efficiency.