

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 831
Forest Lake, Minnesota

CERTIFICATION OF MINUTES RELATING TO SPECIAL ELECTION

Issuer: Independent School District No. 831 (Forest Lake), Minnesota

Governing Body: School Board

Kind, date, time and place of meeting: A regular meeting held on August 4, 2011, at 7:00 p.m., at the School District offices.

Members present:

Members absent: Documents Attached:

Minutes of said meeting (including):

RESOLUTION DETERMINING THE NECESSITY OF INCREASING
GENERAL EDUCATION REVENUE AND CALLING A SPECIAL
ELECTION AND REFERENDUM THEREON

I, the undersigned, being the duly qualified and acting recording officer of the public corporation referred to in the title of this certificate, certify that the documents attached hereto, as described above, have been carefully compared with the original records of said corporation in my legal custody, from which they have been transcribed; that said documents are a correct and complete transcript of the minutes of a meeting of the governing body of said corporation, and correct and complete copies of all resolutions and other actions taken and of all documents approved by the governing body at said meeting; and that said meeting was duly held by the governing body at the time and place and was attended throughout by the members indicated above, pursuant to call and notice of such meeting given as required by law.

WITNESS my hand officially as such recording officer on August 4, 2011.

School District Clerk

Member _____ introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, which motion was seconded by Member _____:

**RESOLUTION DETERMINING THE NECESSITY OF INCREASING
GENERAL EDUCATION REVENUE AND CALLING A SPECIAL
ELECTION AND REFERENDUM THEREON**

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board (the Board) of Independent School District No. 831 (Forest Lake), 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 renew the existing property tax referendum (\$725 per pupil) that expires after taxes payable in 2011. The proposed referendum revenue authorization of \$725 would be applicable for eight (8) years unless otherwise revoked or reduced as provided by law.
2. The question of renewing the general education revenue of the School District shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the School District at a special election, which is hereby called and directed to be held on Tuesday, November 8, 2011, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.
3. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.11, the School District's combined polling places and the precincts served by the polling places, as established and designated by resolution of the Board, are hereby designated for this special election.
4. The Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause written notice of the special election to be: (a) provided to the County Auditor(s) 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) sent by nonforwardable mail to every affected household in the District with at least one registered voter at least fourteen (14) days before the date of the special election; (d) mailed by first class mail to every taxpayer in the School District, at least fifteen (15) days but no more than thirty (30) days prior to the date of the special election; (e) 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 (f) 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 prior to 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. 831
(FOREST LAKE), MINNESOTA**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special election has been called and will be held in and for Independent School District No. 831 (Forest Lake), Minnesota, on November 8, 2011, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. to vote on the following question:

**SCHOOL DISTRICT BALLOT QUESTION
RENEWAL OF EXPIRING SCHOOL DISTRICT REFERENDUM REVENUE
LEVY AUTHORIZATION**

The board of Independent School District No. 831 (Forest Lake), Minnesota has proposed to renew the existing property tax referendum (\$725 per pupil) that expires after taxes payable in 2011. The proposed referendum revenue authorization of \$725 would be applicable for eight (8) years unless otherwise revoked or reduced as provided by law.

Shall the renewal of the expiring property tax referendum proposed by the board of Independent School District No. 831 (Forest Lake) be approved?

**PASSAGE OF THIS REFERENDUM EXTENDS AN EXISTING OPERATING
REFERENDUM AT THE SAME AMOUNT PER PUPIL AS IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR**

For the ballot question, the property tax portion of the revenue authorized will require an estimated referendum tax rate of 0.1365409% of the referendum market value of all classes of taxable property in the School District, as defined by Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.01, Subdivision 3, which excludes certain agricultural property, seasonal property and post-secondary student housing.

The projected annual dollar increases for typical residential homesteads, apartments, commercial-industrial properties, and most other classes of property within the School District are as shown in the table below.

For agricultural property (both homestead and non-homestead), the taxes for the proposed referendum will be based on the value of the house, garage and one acre of land. There will be no referendum taxes paid on the value of agricultural land and buildings. For seasonal recreational residential property (e.g., cabins), there will be no taxes paid for the proposed referendum.

The figures in the table below are based on taxes for the voter approved referendum levy only, and do not include taxes for other purposes.

Homestead Residential, Apartments, and Commercial/Industrial Properties

<u>Market Value</u>	<u>Expiring Authority After Taxes Payable in 2011</u>	<u>Proposed New Authority Taxes Payable in 2012</u>	<u>Dollar Increase Over Expiring Authority</u>
\$ 50,000	\$ -68.27	\$ 68.27	\$ 0.00
75,000	-102.41	102.41	0.00
100,000	-136.54	136.54	0.00
120,000	-163.85	163.85	0.00
140,000	-191.16	191.16	0.00
160,000	-218.47	218.47	0.00
180,000	-245.77	245.77	0.00
200,000	-273.08	273.08	0.00
220,000	-300.39	300.39	0.00
250,000	-341.35	341.35	0.00
300,000	-409.62	409.62	0.00
350,000	-477.89	477.89	0.00
400,000	-546.16	546.16	0.00
450,000	-614.43	614.43	0.00
500,000	-682.70	682.70	0.00
750,000	-1,024.06	1,024.06	0.00
1,000,000	-1,365.41	1,365.41	0.00

The precincts and polling places for the special election will be:

<u>Precinct</u>	<u>Polling Place</u>
Precinct 1	Scandia Elementary School 14351 Scandia Trail N. Scandia, MN
Precinct 2	Centennial Fire Station #2 7741 Lake Dr. Lino Lakes, MN
	Lino Lakes Senior Center 1189 Main St. Lino Lakes, MN
	St. Joseph Catholic Church 171 Elm St. Lino Lakes, MN
	Lino Lakes City Hall 600 Town Center Pkwy.

Lino Lakes, MN

Precinct 3

Linwood Elementary School
21900 Typo Creek Dr. NE
Linwood, MN

Precinct 4

Columbus Elementary School
17345 Notre Dame St.
Columbus, MN

Precinct 5

District Office Bldg.
6100 No. 210th St.
Forest Lake, MN

Precinct 6

Wyoming Elementary School
25701 Forest Blvd. N.
Wyoming, MN

All qualified electors residing in said School District may cast their ballot at the polling place 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 election. An unregistered individual may register to vote at the polling place on election day.

Dated: August 4, 2011

BY ORDER OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

/s/ _____, Clerk

5. If paper ballots are being used, the Clerk is authorized and directed to secure a goldenrod colored ballot box for the deposit of ballots at the polling places and 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.

6. If paper ballots are being used, the Clerk is authorized and directed to cause a goldenrod colored printed ballot for the question to be prepared in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.08, Subdivision 4 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:

SCHOOL DISTRICT QUESTION BALLOT
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 831
(FOREST LAKE), MINNESOTA
SPECIAL ELECTION

November 8, 2011

To vote for a question, put an (X) in the square next to the word "YES" for that question.
To vote against a question, put an (X) in the square next to the word "NO" for that question.

SCHOOL DISTRICT BALLOT QUESTION
RENEWAL OF EXPIRING SCHOOL DISTRICT REFERENDUM REVENUE LEVY
AUTHORIZATION

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- YES Shall the renewal of the expiring property tax referendum proposed by the
 NO board of Independent School District No. 831 (Forest Lake) be approved?

**BY VOTING "YES" ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING TO EXTEND
AN EXISTING PROPERTY TAX REFERENDUM THAT IS SCHEDULED TO EXPIRE**

(Reverse side of ballot)

OFFICIAL BALLOT

November 8, 2011

Judge

Judge

(The ballot is to be initialed by two judges)

7. 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.

8. The Board shall appoint election judges and alternates in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 204B.21. The appointments will be made at least 25 days prior to the special election.

9. 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 11, 2011, and the tenth day, November 18, 2011, after the special election for the purpose of canvassing the results thereof.

10. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 123B.63, Subdivision 3 and Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.07, Subdivision 3a, the Clerk is hereby instructed to notify the Commissioner of Education of the results of the referendum 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.

11. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.17, Subdivision 9(f) and Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.07, Subdivision 3a, the Clerk is hereby instructed to notify the Commissioner of Education of the results of the referendum and to provide the certified vote totals for each 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

and the following voted against the same:

whereupon the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.