

Minutes of the Special School Board Meeting

Of the School Board of Independent School District No. 709 held at the Historic Old Central High School, 215 North First Avenue East, Duluth, Minnesota 55802, on

Wednesday, November 13, 2013

Members Present:

Art Johnston
Tom Kasper
Judy Seliga Punyko
Bill Westholm

Others Present:

Bill Gronseth, Superintendent
Bill Hanson, Deputy Clerk
Melinda Thibault, Secretary

Members Absent:

Mary Cameron
Mike Miernicki
Ann Wasson

- Chair Kasper called the special school board meeting of November 13, 2013 to order at 5:09 p.m.

Member Seliga Punyko presented the resolution:

RESOLUTION

Canvassing Returns of Votes of School District General Election of November 5, 2013

BE IT RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District 709, as follows:

1. It is hereby found, determined and declared that the General election of the voters of this district, held on November 5, 2013, was in all respects duly and legally called and held.

2. At Large:

As specified in the attached Abstract and Return of Votes Cast, a total of 19,442 voters of the district voted at said election on the election of nominees for election as school board member for two four year term vacancies on the school board caused by expiration of terms on January 6, 2014 next following the general election as follows:

Henry Banks	<u>4,753</u>
Annie Harala	<u>11,064</u>
Nancy Nilsen	<u>6,966</u>
Harry Welty	<u>7,648</u>

3. Candidates Annie Harala and Harry Welty having received the highest number of votes, are elected to a four-year term for the two At Large school board seats beginning January 6, 2014.

4. District One:

As specified in the attached Abstract and Return of Votes Cast, a total of 6,647 voters of the district voted at said election on the election of nominees for election as school board member for one four year term vacancy on the school board caused by expiration of term on January 6, 2014 next following the general election as follows:

Rosie Loeffler-Kemp	<u>3,317</u>
Joseph Matthes	<u>2,563</u>

5. Candidate Rosie Loeffler-Kemp having received the highest number of votes, is elected to a four-year term for the First District school board seat beginning January 6, 2014.

6. District Four:

As specified in the attached Abstract and Return of Votes Cast, a total of 3,608 voters of the district voted at said election on the election of nominees for election as school board member for one four year term vacancy on the school board caused by expiration of term on January 6, 2014 next following the general election as follows:

David Bolgrien	<u>1,518</u>
Art Johnston	<u>1,796</u>

7. Candidate Art Johnston having received the highest number of votes, is elected to a four-year term for the Fourth District school board seat beginning January 6, 2014.

8. The School District Clerk is hereby authorized to certify the results of the election to the County Auditor of each County in which the School District is located in whole or in part.

Resolution B-11-13-3140

November 13, 2013

M-Seliga Punyko, S-Westholm, to approve Resolution B-11-13-3140 – Canvassing Returns of Votes of School District General Election of November 5, 2013. Upon a vote, the same was approved 4-0.

**ABSTRACT AND RETURN OF VOTES CAST
FOR GENERAL ELECTION
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 709 (DULUTH)
STATE OF MINNESOTA
ABSTRACT AND RETURN OF VOTES CAST
GENERAL ELECTION, DISTRICT NO. AT LARGE
November 5, 2013**

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A. TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS REGISTERED:
AT 7:00 O'CLOCK A. M. 57,521

B. TOTAL NUMBER OF NEW REGISTRATIONS ON ELECTION DAY: 645

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C. TOTAL NUMBER OF SIGNATURES ON THE POLLING PLACE ROSTER *

D. TOTAL NUMBER OF ACCEPTED REGULAR, MILITARY AND OVERSEAS
ABSENTEE BALLOTS *

E. TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS VOTING IN THE GENERAL ELECTION 19,442
(add C plus D equals E):

F. TOTAL NUMBER OF COMPLETELY BLANK BALLOTS IN THE BALLOT
BOX *

G. TOTAL NUMBER OF COMPLETELY DEFECTIVE BALLOTS IN THE
BALLOT BOX: *

H. TOTAL NUMBER OF SPOILED BALLOTS IN THE SPOILED BALLOT
ENVELOPE *

I. TOTAL NUMBER OF UNUSED BALLOTS RETURNED TO THE CLERK *

**SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER
DISTRICT NO. AT LARGE**

CANDIDATE Henry Banks 4,753

CANDIDATE Annie Harala 11,064

CANDIDATE Nancy Nilsen 6,966

CANDIDATE Harry Welty 7,648

Total number of Write In votes for this office: *

Total number of ballots defective for this office: (Overvotes) *

Total number of ballots blank for this office: (Overvotes) *

TOTAL BALLOTS COUNTED FOR THIS OFFICE: 30,431

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FOR GENERAL ELECTION
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 709 (DULUTH)
STATE OF MINNESOTA
ABSTRACT AND RETURN OF VOTES CAST
GENERAL ELECTION, DISTRICT NO. ONE
November 5, 2013**

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A. TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS REGISTERED:

AT 7:00 O'CLOCK A. M. 16,281

B. TOTAL NUMBER OF NEW REGISTRATIONS ON ELECTION DAY: 189

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C. TOTAL NUMBER OF SIGNATURES ON THE POLLING PLACE ROSTER *

D. TOTAL NUMBER OF ACCEPTED REGULAR, MILITARY AND OVERSEAS *
ABSENTEE BALLOTS

E. TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS VOTING IN THE GENERAL ELECTION 6,647
(add C plus D equals E):

F. TOTAL NUMBER OF COMPLETELY BLANK BALLOTS IN THE BALLOT *
BOX

G. TOTAL NUMBER OF COMPLETELY DEFECTIVE BALLOTS IN THE *
BALLOT BOX:

H. TOTAL NUMBER OF SPOILED BALLOTS IN THE SPOILED BALLOT *
ENVELOPE

I. TOTAL NUMBER OF UNUSED BALLOTS RETURNED TO THE CLERK *

**SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER
DISTRICT NO. ONE**

CANDIDATE Rosie Loeffler-Kemp 3,317

CANDIDATE Joseph Matthes 2,563

Total number of Write In votes for this office: *

Total number of ballots defective for this office: (Overvotes) *

Total number of ballots blank for this office: (Overvotes) *

TOTAL BALLOTS COUNTED FOR THIS OFFICE: 5,880

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FOR GENERAL ELECTION
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 709 (DULUTH)
STATE OF MINNESOTA
ABSTRACT AND RETURN OF VOTES CAST
GENERAL ELECTION, DISTRICT NO. FOUR
November 5, 2013**

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A. TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS REGISTERED:
AT 7:00 O'CLOCK A. M. 12,036

B. TOTAL NUMBER OF NEW REGISTRATIONS ON ELECTION DAY: 109

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C. TOTAL NUMBER OF SIGNATURES ON THE POLLING PLACE ROSTER *

D. TOTAL NUMBER OF ACCEPTED REGULAR, MILITARY AND OVERSEAS
ABSENTEE BALLOTS *

E. TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS VOTING IN THE GENERAL ELECTION 3,608
(add C plus D equals E):

F. TOTAL NUMBER OF COMPLETELY BLANK BALLOTS IN THE BALLOT
BOX *

G. TOTAL NUMBER OF COMPLETELY DEFECTIVE BALLOTS IN THE
BALLOT BOX: *

H. TOTAL NUMBER OF SPOILED BALLOTS IN THE SPOILED BALLOT
ENVELOPE *

I. TOTAL NUMBER OF UNUSED BALLOTS RETURNED TO THE CLERK *

**SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER
DISTRICT NO. FOUR**

CANDIDATE David Bolgrien 1,518

CANDIDATE Art Johnston 1,796

Total number of Write In votes for this office: *

Total number of ballots defective for this office: (Overvotes) *

Total number of ballots blank for this office: (Overvotes) *

TOTAL BALLOTS COUNTED FOR THIS OFFICE: 3,314

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Member Seliga Punyko presented the resolution:

RESOLUTION

Canvassing Returns of Votes of School District Special Election of November 5, 2013

BE IT RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent School District 709, as follows:

1. It is hereby found, determined and declared that the special election of the voters of this district, held on November 5, 2013, was in all respects duly and legally called and held.
2. As specified in the attached Abstract and Return of Votes Cast, a total of 19,442 voters of the district voted at said election on Question One (1) to renew its existing referendum revenue by seeking authorization of \$595.78 per pupil of which 12,696 voted in favor, 6,662 voted against the same.
3. As specified in the attached Abstract and Return of Votes Cast, a total of 19,442 voters of the district voted at said election on Question Two (2) of Increasing the General Education Revenue of the School District by an additional \$200.00 per pupil of which 9,796 voted in favor, 9,485 voted against the same.
4. Said proposition One (1), having received the approval of at least a majority of such votes, is hereby declared to have passed.
5. Said proposition Two (2), having received the approval of at least a majority of such votes, is hereby declared to have passed.
6. The School District Clerk is hereby authorized to certify the results of the election to the County Auditor of each County in which the School District is located in whole or in part.

Resolution B-11-13-3141

November 13, 2013

M-Seliga Punyko, S-Johnston, to approve Resolution B-11-13-3140 – Canvassing Returns of Votes of School District General Election of November 5, 2013. Upon a vote, the same was approved 4-0.

**ABSTRACT AND RETURN OF VOTES CAST
FOR SPECIAL ELECTION
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 709 (DULUTH)
STATE OF MINNESOTA
ABSTRACT AND RETURN OF VOTES CAST
SPECIAL ELECTION QUESTION ONE (1)
November 5, 2013**

A. TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS REGISTERED:
AT 7:00 O'CLOCK A. M. 57,521

B. TOTAL NUMBER OF NEW REGISTRATIONS ON ELECTION DAY: 645

C. TOTAL NUMBER OF SIGNATURES ON THE POLLING PLACE ROSTER *

D. TOTAL NUMBER OF ACCEPTED REGULAR, MILITARY AND OVERSEAS
ABSENTEE BALLOTS *

E. TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS VOTING IN THE ELECTION 19,442
(add C plus D equals E):

F. TOTAL NUMBER OF COMPLETELY BLANK BALLOTS IN THE BALLOT
BOX *

G. TOTAL NUMBER OF COMPLETELY DEFECTIVE BALLOTS IN THE
BALLOT BOX: *

H. TOTAL NUMBER OF SPOILED BALLOTS IN THE SPOILED BALLOT
ENVELOPE *

I. TOTAL NUMBER OF UNUSED BALLOTS RETURNED TO THE CLERK *

**SCHOOL DISTRICT BALLOT QUESTION ONE (1) - PROPOSITION OF EXCESS LEVY
REFERENDUM – TO RENEW ITS EXISTING REFERENDUM REVENUE BY SEEKING
AUTHORIZATION OF \$595.78 PER PUPIL**

YES 12,696

NO 6,662

Completely Blank Ballots *

Completely Defective Ballots *

TOTAL BALLOTS COUNTED FOR THIS QUESTION: 19,358

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FOR SPECIAL ELECTION
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 709 (DULUTH)
STATE OF MINNESOTA
ABSTRACT AND RETURN OF VOTES CAST
SPECIAL ELECTION QUESTION TWO (2)
November 5, 2013**

A. TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS REGISTERED:
AT 7:00 O'CLOCK A. M. 57,521

B. TOTAL NUMBER OF NEW REGISTRATIONS ON ELECTION DAY: 645

C. TOTAL NUMBER OF SIGNATURES ON THE POLLING PLACE ROSTER *

D. TOTAL NUMBER OF ACCEPTED REGULAR, MILITARY AND OVERSEAS
ABSENTEE BALLOTS *

E. TOTAL NUMBER OF PERSONS VOTING IN THE ELECTION 19,442
(add C plus D equals E):

F. TOTAL NUMBER OF COMPLETELY BLANK BALLOTS IN THE BALLOT
BOX *

G. TOTAL NUMBER OF COMPLETELY DEFECTIVE BALLOTS IN THE
BALLOT BOX: *

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ENVELOPE *

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**SCHOOL DISTRICT BALLOT QUESTION TWO (2) - PROPOSITION OF EXCESS
LEVY REFERENDUM – INCREASING GENERAL EDUCATION REVENUE BY AN
ADDITIONAL \$200.00 PER PUPIL**

YES 9,796

NO 9,485

Completely Blank Ballots *

Completely Defective Ballots *

TOTAL BALLOTS COUNTED FOR THIS QUESTION: 19,281

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➤ Chair Kasper adjourned the Special School Board meeting of November13, 2013 at 5:11 p.m.