

**COMMUNITY CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT 46
SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
AUGUST 9, 2023**

<p><i>Call To Order and Roll Call</i></p>	<p>The Special Board Meeting of the Community Consolidated School District 46, Lake County, Illinois was held on August 9, 2023.</p> <p>Mr. Stephen Mack called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. Members Present: Stephen Mack, Jessica Albert, Jason Lacroix, Kristy Miller, and Jim Weidman. Members Absent: Kristy Braden and Tamika Nash. Also Present: Superintendent, Dr. Lynn Glickman; Assistant Superintendent, Amy Gluck; Assistant Superintendent/CSBO, Chris Wildman; Director of Special Services, Heather Lorenzo; Director of Human Resources, Chris Wolk; Director of Innovations, Amanda Pelsor; and Roberto Ocho, Director of Operations and Maintenance.</p>
<p><i>Establishment of Quorum</i></p>	<p>Quorum was established.</p>
<p><i>Approval of Agenda</i></p>	<p>Motion for the approval of the August 9, 2023 Special Board Meeting Agenda as presented. Motedioned by Weidman and seconded by Lacroix for the approval of the agenda as presented. Yeas: Miller, Mack, Albert, Weidman, and Lacroix. Nays: None. Motion carried.</p>
<p><i>Discussion</i></p>	<p>The Board of Education and Administrative Team discussed the potential of bringing a funding proposal to the community. A timeline to a referendum decision and an overview of the role and purpose of the Citizen Task Force was shared. Currently, the district is only 65% adequately funded with a projected deficit of 2.7 million for FY 2024. CCSD 46 is currently paying principal and interest on outstanding referendum bonds that were used to build Park Campus. The last debt payment on the referendum bonds is levy year 2024 with a last payment date of 11/1/2025. In levy year 2025 the debt service levy will drop by \$6,778,601. The estimated tax rate drop is .86 per \$100, or a reduction of \$668 on a \$250,000 market value home. By proposing a referendum that doesn't require a tax rate increase due to retiring debt, the district can potentially secure funding without putting additional financial strain on taxpayers. It is important that the district get the initiative on the ballot before the District's debt rolls off. During the two meetings the Task Force met, they helped to create a possible funding proposal to address operating and capital facility</p>

	<p>needs. The following proposal focuses on high priority needs and can be implemented without a tax rate increase:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Addressing maintenance/infrastructure needs to extend the useful life of the schools and protect taxpayer investments ● Updating the libraries/media centers that are used by all students ● Reconfiguring/renovating student support spaces to improve service delivery and privacy ● Maintain class sizes ● Protect programming ● Attract, train, and retain quality teachers <p>The Task Force’s interest in implementing a World Language program and consideration of a tax increase to support this initiative was also addressed. The Task Force recommended moving forward with proposing the following two questions in the hybrid poll:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A no tax rate increase 2. A tax rate increase that would support World Language programming <p>The Superintendent’s recommendation is to move ahead with sharing and testing a \$6 million limiting rate proposal with the community this fall. Sharing this proposal and gathering additional public input will give the Board additional information needed to make an informed decision about the timing and composition of a potential ballot initiative.</p> <p>The Board of Education agreed that they would like to move forward with this proposal. Next steps will include sharing information and gathering public opinions. In December the Board will decide if they would like to move forward with putting the proposal on a 2024 ballot.</p> <p>The presentation is in the Board packet.</p>
Public Comments	None.
Adjournment	<p>There being no further business to come before the Board of Education, it was motioned by Weidman and seconded by Albert for the adjournment of the August 9, 2023 Special Board meeting at 7:55 p.m.</p> <p>Yeas: Lacroix, Miller, Mack, Albert, and Weidman.</p> <p>Nays: None.</p> <p>Motion carried.</p>