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SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING - TO CONSIDER SALES TAX AND OPERATING MILLAGE REFERENDUMS AND UNION RATIFICATIONS (Tuesday, August 20, 2024)

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Members present

Bev Slough, Kelly Barrera, Patrick Canan, Tony Coleman, Jennifer Collins (Bev Slough was caught in traffic)

Meeting called to order at 4pm

- 1. CALL TO ORDER BY THE BOARD CHAIR
- 2. ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS
- 3. OPENING COMMENTS FROM THE SCHOOL BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT Mr. Forson stated that we are bringing forward two important items to discuss.
- 4. SCHOOL BOARD ATTORNEY ACTION

4.01 Request for Approval of a Resolution Calling for a Referendum Election to Authorize a Continuation of the Current Half-Cent School Capital Outlay Surtax

Motion by: Patrick Canan Second by: Kelly Barrera Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kelly Barrera, Patrick Canan, Tony Coleman, Jennifer Collins

4.02 Request for Approval of a Resolution Calling for a Referendum Election to Authorize an Additional Operating Millage of One Mill for Operational Purposes

Motion by: Kelly Barrera Second by: Jennifer Collins Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kelly Barrera, Patrick Canan, Tony Coleman, Jennifer Collins

Public Comment: Tamara Whitaker, Jacksonville, FL

Ms. Whitaker spoke in favor for the support staff, and for the referendum.

5. PERSONNEL/HUMAN RESOURCES - ACTION

5.01 Request for Approval of Collective Bargaining Agreement 2024-2025 with St. Johns Education Association

Motion by: Kelly Barrera Second by: Patrick Canan Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Kelly Barrera, Patrick Canan, Tony Coleman, Jennifer Collins

Public Comment: Tamara Whitaker, Jacksonville, FL

Ms. Whitaker thanked everyone for their professionalism.

5.02 Request for Approval of Collective Bargaining Agreement 2024-2025 with St. Johns Educational Support Professional Association

Motion by: Kelly Barrera Second by: Jennifer Collins Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Yea: Bev Slough, Kelly Barrera, Patrick Canan, Tony Coleman, Jennifer Collins

Public Comment:

Char Retkowski, St. Augustine, FL

Ms. Retkowski spoke in favor of ratification.

Tamara Whitaker, Jacksonville, FL

Ms. Whitaker stated that she appreciates the work.

- 6. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 7. CLOSING COMMENTS FROM THE SCHOOL BOARD AND SUPERINTENDENT

Ms. Collins stated that we don't know what we would do without our support staff.

Mr. Canan thanked both teams for all their work.

Mrs. Barrera and Mr. Coleman thanked everyone.

Mrs. Slough apologized for being detained in traffic and thanked both teams.

Mr. Forson spoke about setting a target for where we want to go.

8. ADJOURNMENT - 5:03 pm