

Regular Meeting of the Governing Board

October 15, 2015 6:00 PM

545 CHANEY STREET, BOARD ROOM, BUILDING B, LAKE ELSINORE, CA 92530

CLOSED SESSION - 4:00 P.M. GENERAL SESSION - 6:00 P.M.

Agenda Item: **N.7. Resolution No. 2015-16-032 in Support of the Kindergarten through Community College Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2016**

Speaker: Dr. Gregory J. Bowers, Assistant Superintendent, Facilities & Operations Support Services

Rationale: California's Coalition for Adequate School Housing (CASH) recently announced that they have qualified their initiative for a Kindergarten through Community College Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2016 for a November 2016 bond for \$9 billion for K-14 (\$7 billion for K-12). The Kindergarten through Community College Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2016 provides for renovation and upgrade of existing classrooms, construction of new classrooms to accommodate growth, and for career technical education facilities to provide job training to meet the trained workforce needs of California's employers. CASH and Californians for Quality Schools are proud to announce that the State School Bond has been certified eligible (qualified) for the November 7, 2016, General Election Ballot. By adopting this resolution, the Lake Elsinore Unified School District is in support of the campaign to pass the State School Bond and provide \$7 billion in state matching funds for K-12 facility projects and \$2 billion for community college facility projects.

Comments: Prepared by: Dr. Gregory J. Bowers, Assistant Superintendent, Facilities & Operations Support Services

Approved by: Dr. Doug Kimberly, District Superintendent

Recommended Motion: Adopt Resolution No. 2015-16-032 in support of the Kindergarten through Community College Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2016.

Quick Summary / Abstract: Resolution No. 2015-16-032 in support of the Kindergarten through Community College Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2016.

Presented by: Dr. Gregory J. Bowers, Assistant Superintendent, Facilities & Operations Support Services

Roll Call Votes

_____ Heidi Matthies Dodd

_____ Juan Saucedo

_____ Stan Crippen

_____ Susan Scott

_____ Harold Stryker

Financial Impact: To be determined if the Facilities Bond Act of 2016 passes.

Attachments:

Resolution No. 2015-16-032 Facilities Bond Act of 2016

**LAKE ELSINORE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
545 CHANEY STREET, LAKE ELSINORE, CA 92530
RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-032**

**KINDERGARTEN THROUGH COMMUNITY COLLEGE PUBLIC EDUCATION
FACILITIES BOND ACT OF 2016**

WHEREAS, the California Constitution finds public education is a State responsibility in Article IX Section 5; and

WHEREAS, Article 1 Section 28 states that public schools shall be safe, secure and peaceful; and

WHEREAS, the State has met its constitutional responsibilities since 1982 by providing consistent State bond resources through programs contained in Division 1, Part 10, Article 12 and Article 12.5 of the Education Code; and

WHEREAS, the State is out of school facility funds and cannot provide the State match for almost \$2 billion in projects filed under current law; and

WHEREAS, the Lake Elsinore Unified School District has \$439,315,742.00 in facility needs which may be partially funded by State bonds; and

WHEREAS, the Kindergarten through Community College Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2016 provides for renovation and upgrade of existing classrooms, construction of new classrooms to accommodate growth, and for career technical education facilities to provide job training to meet the trained workforce needs of California's employers; and

WHEREAS, the California unemployment rate is greater than the national unemployment rate; and

WHEREAS, 13,000 middle class jobs are created for each \$1 billion in school facility infrastructure investment; and

WHEREAS, these jobs will be created throughout California and will include almost all building trades; and

WHEREAS, the new Local Control Funding Formula and Local Control Accountability Plan are intended to improve educational achievement for all students but do not provide dedicated facilities funding; and

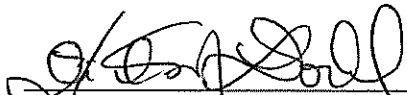
WHEREAS, quality 21st Century school facilities designed for student needs of today and tomorrow enhance academic achievement and further the State's academic goals; and

WHEREAS, the Kindergarten through Community College Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2016 will not raise State taxes; and


WHEREAS, the Kindergarten through Community College Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2016 State matching funds will reduce the need for additional local property taxes for school facilities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lake Elsinore Unified School District supports the Kindergarten through Community College Public Education Facilities Bond Act of 2016.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 15TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2015.



Heidi Matthies Dodd, President
Lake Elsinore Unified School District
Governing Board



Juan Saucedo, Clerk
Lake Elsinore Unified School District
Governing Board