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Ripon Board of Education Unanimously Approves Referendum Resolutions

Ripon, WI – The Ripon Board of Education unanimously approved three referendum resolutions calling for the election of proposed borrowing for the purpose of paying the cost of construction additions and updating curriculum and technology. Two referendum questions will appear on the ballot. Question 1 requests permission to borrow funds not to exceed \$29.1 million for renovating and remodeling the high school to create a combined middle school and high school on one campus; demolishing the current middle school to convert the space into a parking lot and tennis courts; undertaking safety, security and other improvements at the elementary schools; and acquiring the necessary furnishing fixtures and equipment.

Question 2 requests the continuation of the existing \$500,000 operational referendum for the 2015-2016 school year through 2020-2021 for non-recurring purposes consisting of updating curriculum, updating technology, performing maintenance and replacing vehicles. The school board further specified the referendum be held on the next regularly scheduled primary or election day, which is Tuesday, November 4th, 2014.

“As the referendum planning process continues, the District will be meeting with city officials, district staff, and hosting community information sessions and building tours. The District will continue to engage and communicate with all stakeholders,” says Dr. Mary Whitrock. For more information, please go to the District website at www.ripon.k12.wi.us and click on the community tab.

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