

ORDER calling a public hearing concerning the intent of the Board of Education of Community Unit School District Number 228, Henry and Whiteside Counties, Illinois, to sell \$7,250,000 Working Cash Fund Bonds.

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WHEREAS, Community Unit School District Number 228, Henry and Whiteside Counties, Illinois (the “*District*”), is a duly organized and existing school district created under the provisions of the laws of the State of Illinois, and is now operating under the provisions of the School Code of the State of Illinois, and all laws amendatory thereof and supplementary thereto, including the Local Government Debt Reform Act of the State of Illinois, as amended; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the District (the “*Board*”) intends to sell bonds in the amount of \$7,250,000 for the purpose of increasing the working cash fund of the District (the “*Bonds*”); and

WHEREAS, the Bond Issue Notification Act of the State of Illinois, as amended, requires the Board to hold a public hearing concerning the Board’s intent to sell the Bonds before adopting a resolution providing for the sale of the Bonds:

NOW, THEREFORE, Be It and It Is Hereby Ordered by the undersigned President of the Board of Education of Community Unit School District Number 228, Henry and Whiteside Counties, Illinois, as follows:

1. I hereby call a public hearing to be held at 5:30 o’clock P.M. on the 12th day of December, 2024, at the District Office, 648 North Chicago Street, Geneseo, Illinois, in the District, concerning the Board’s intent to sell the Bonds and to receive public comments regarding the proposal to sell the Bonds (the “*Hearing*”).

2. I hereby direct that the Secretary of the Board (the “*Secretary*”) shall (i) publish notice of the Hearing at least once in the *Geneseo Republic*, the same being a newspaper of general circulation in the District, not less than 7 nor more than 30 days before the date of the

Hearing and (ii) post at least 48 hours before the Hearing a copy of said notice at the principal office of the Board, which notice will be continuously available for public review during the entire 48-hour period preceding the Hearing.

3. Notice of the Hearing shall appear above the name of the Secretary and shall be in substantially the following form:

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING THE INTENT OF  
THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER 228,  
HENRY AND WHITESIDE COUNTIES, ILLINOIS  
TO SELL \$7,250,000 WORKING CASH FUND BONDS**

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By order of the President of the Board of Education of Community Unit School District Number 228, Henry and Whiteside Counties, Illinois.

DATED the 14th day of November, 2024.

Diane Olson  
Secretary, Board of Education,  
Community Unit School District Number 228,  
Henry and Whiteside Counties, Illinois

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Note to Publisher: Please be certain that this notice appears above the name of the Secretary of the Board.

4. At the Hearing, the Board shall explain the reasons for the proposed bond issue and permit persons desiring to be heard an opportunity to present written or oral testimony within reasonable time limits. The Board shall not adopt a resolution selling the Bonds for a period of seven (7) days after the final adjournment of the Hearing.

Ordered this 14th day of November, 2024.

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President, Board of Education,  
Community Unit School District  
Number 228, Henry and Whiteside  
Counties, Illinois

MINUTES of a regular public meeting of the Board of Education of Community Unit School District Number 228, Henry and Whiteside Counties, Illinois, held at the District Office, 648 North Chicago Street, Geneseo, Illinois, in said School District at 5:30 o'clock P.M., on the 12th day of December, 2024.

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The meeting was called to order by the President, and upon the roll being called, Barry Snodgrass, the President, and the following members were physically present at said location: Kane Causemaker, Diane Olson, Kyle Ganson, Jackie Mickley, Julie Robinson and Karen Urick.

The following members were allowed by a majority of the members of the Board of Education in accordance with and to the extent allowed by rules adopted by the Board of Education to attend the meeting by video or audio conference: \_\_\_\_\_

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No member was not permitted to attend the meeting by video or audio conference.

The following members were absent and did not participate in the meeting in any manner or to any extent whatsoever: \_\_\_\_\_

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At \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock P.M., the President announced that the next agenda item for the Board of Education was a public hearing (the "*Hearing*") to receive public comments on the proposal to sell \$7,250,000 Working Cash Fund Bonds (the "*Bonds*") for the purpose of increasing the working cash fund of the District and explained that all persons desiring to be heard would have an opportunity to present written or oral testimony with respect thereto.

The President opened the discussion and explained that the reasons for the proposed issuance of the Bonds were as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

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Whereupon the President asked for additional comments from the members of the Board of Education. Additional comments were made by the following:

(If no additional comments were made,  
please so indicate with the word "none.")

Written testimony concerning the proposed issuance of the Bonds was read into the record by the Secretary and is attached hereto as *Exhibit I*.

(If no written testimony was received,  
please so indicate with the word "none.")

Whereupon the President asked for oral testimony or any public comments concerning the proposed issuance of the Bonds. Statements were made by the following:

(If no additional statements were made,  
please so indicate with the word "none.")

The President then announced that all persons desiring to be heard had been given an opportunity to present oral and written testimony with respect to the proposed issuance of the Bonds.

Member \_\_\_\_\_ moved and Member \_\_\_\_\_  
seconded the motion that the Hearing be finally adjourned.

After a full discussion thereof, the President directed that the roll be called for a vote upon the motion.

Upon the roll being called, the following members voted AYE: Barry Snodgrass, Kane Causemaker, Diane Olson, Kyle Ganson, Jackie Mickley, Julie Robinson and Karen Urick.

The following members voted NAY: \_\_\_\_\_

Whereupon the President declared the motion carried and the Hearing was finally adjourned.

Other business not pertinent to the conduct of the Hearing was duly transacted at said meeting.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried, the meeting was adjourned.

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Secretary, Board of Education

STATE OF ILLINOIS            )  
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COUNTY OF HENRY            )

**CERTIFICATION OF MINUTES**

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that I am the duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Board of Education of Community Unit School District Number 228, Henry and Whiteside Counties, Illinois (the “Board”), and as such official I am the keeper of the records and files of the Board.

I do further certify that the foregoing constitutes a full, true and complete transcript of the minutes of the meeting of the Board held on the 12th day of December, 2024, insofar as the same relates to a public hearing concerning the intent of the Board to sell \$7,250,000 Working Cash Fund Bonds.

I do further certify that the deliberations of the Board at said meeting were conducted openly, that said meeting was called and held at a specified time and place convenient to the public, that notice of said meeting was duly given to all of the news media requesting such notice, that an agenda for said meeting was posted at the location where said meeting was held and at the principal office of the Board at least 48 hours in advance of the holding of said meeting, that at least one copy of said agenda was continuously available for public review during the entire 48-hour period preceding said meeting, that a true, correct and complete copy of said agenda as so posted is attached hereto as *Exhibit A*, that said meeting was called and held in strict compliance with the provisions of the Open Meetings Act of the State of Illinois, as amended, the School Code of the State of Illinois, as amended, and the Bond Issue Notification Act of the State of Illinois, as amended, and that the Board has complied with all of the provisions of said Acts and said Code and with all of the procedural rules of the Board in the conduct of said meeting.

I do further certify that notice of said public hearing was posted at least 48 hours before said public hearing at the principal office of the Board, that at least one copy of said notice was continuously available for public review during the entire 48-hour period preceding said public hearing and that attached hereto as *Exhibit B* is a true, correct and complete copy of said notice as so posted.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I hereunto affix my official signature, this 12th day of December, 2024.

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Secretary, Board of Education



**EXHIBIT B**

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING THE INTENT OF  
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**[TO BE POSTED AT THE PRINCIPAL OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION]**

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