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2 **A. Audience Communication** – none.
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5 **ACTION ITEMS**
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7 **A. Electric Power Contract – Blend and Extend** – Superintendent Hoyer introduced
8 Jim Morin, President of PowerGas Corporation, to present an overview of the District’s
9 electric power supply contract. The District has utilized third-party energy suppliers
10 since 2011 under a market-based contract. Currently in the third year of a five-year
11 contract at an average of \$70.64 per megawatt hour (MWh), the District was presented
12 with an opportunity to “blend and extend” the contract due to improving market
13 conditions. The proposed blended rate would decrease to \$61.75 per MWh effective
14 January 1, 2026, resulting in an estimated savings of \$242,963.70 over the remaining
15 two years of the current contract. Extending the contract through December 31, 2029
16 would result in a minimum estimated savings of \$162,000 over the next four years. Cost
17 analysis charts were provided to Board members and District administrators for review.
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19 Motion made by Bill Bronson to approve the rate of \$61.75 per megawatt hour to blend
20 and extend the current contract as presented at the special meeting of the Board of
21 Trustees with the authorization of Luke Diekhans, Great Falls Public Schools Director of
22 Business Operations, as designee to sign and execute the official contract with Energy
23 Keepers, Incorporated; Motion seconded by Craig Duff.
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25 Trustee Thompson questioned if the District has to wait another two (2) years before
26 electric costs could be evaluated again. Mr. Morin replied “no”, however he stated it is
27 not advisable until general trends have been evaluated for at least two years.
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29 Motion passed unanimously.
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32 **ACTION: OTHER**
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34 There were no items removed from the Consent Agenda to discuss.
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37 **REPORTS, DISCUSSION, AND POLICIES**
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39 **A. Discussion, Committee Reports, and Comments** – None.
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42 **UPCOMING EVENTS**
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44 Chairperson Johnson highlighted upcoming events, including a Board Budget
45 Committee Meeting on January 8th and the next regular Board Meeting on January 12th.
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ACTION TO ADJOURN

With no further comments or items to be discussed, motion by Chairperson Johnson and seconded by Bill Bronson to adjourn the Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees at 4:19 p.m.

Gordon Johnson, Chairperson

Heather Hoyer, Acting Clerk