

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

\$300 Million School Construction Bond Issue!

1. Why will the Bond Issue not cost more tax money?

Aggressive retirement of the public debt has given North Carolina an excellent credit rating and a sound reputation for fiscal management. Increased revenue generated by our stable and expanding economy are expected to absorb the cost of incurring this debt.

2. Why borrow to meet our needs rather than directly allocating funds from the state's General Fund surplus?

It has been determined by the General Assembly and the state's fiscal managers that a bond issue is the most practical means of providing funds to meet our needs for learning facilities. A continuing surplus could be used for early retirement of the debt, at great savings to the state. The surplus is, to some degree, illusory in that it is a result of an inflationary economic trend and in that a major portion of the surplus is made up of Federal revenue sharing funds which could be discontinued at any time.

3. Would this be the first time North Carolina has had a statewide bond issue to provide funds to meet local needs for learning facilities?

No! In 1949, 1953, and 1964, voters overwhelmingly approved statewide bond issues of \$25 million, \$50 million and \$100 million.

4. Why do we need \$300 million?

Inflation, increased construction costs, the recently instituted kindergarten system and class size limits, and a greater degree of long term planning has made the present proposal the largest school construction bond issue in North Carolina's history.

5. Is there a matching funds requirement for local communities?

No! Though experience indicates that additional local money will be generated by the contribution of the state, there is no requirement that local administrative units provide any matching funds in order to receive their share of the bond proceeds.

6. How has the formula for the allocation of the bond proceeds been determined?

Funds will be allocated on the basis of school population, where the children are: specifically according to average daily membership during the 1971-72 school year.

7. How soon will funds be available to local administrative units?

In 1964, proceeds of the school construction bond issue approved in November of that year were available within six weeks; several projects were underway within six months. Local boards should now be preparing plans for submission to the State Board of Education in order to facilitate access to funds and save time and money.

8. How will funds be used?

The legislation calling for the referendum authorizes the bond proceeds to be used for "construction, reconstruction, enlargement, improvement, repair and renovation of public school facilities, and for the purchase of equipment essential to the operation of the facilities. Provided: . . . the State Board of Education determines . . . that any funds allocated . . . are not needed (by an administrative unit for the above purposes), such funds . . . may be used for the retirement of school bonds heretofore issued by the county in which such administrative unit is located." Bond proceeds will not be used for purchase of land.

9. What statewide organizations are behind the campaign in support of the Bond Issue?

Leaders of the following organizations, as well as many others, are actively involved in both the state and local campaigns: N.C. School Boards Association, N.C. Association of Educators, N.C. Congress of Parents and Teachers, N.C. Jaycees, N.C. County Commissioners Association, N.C. Federation of Womens Clubs, N.C. State AFL-CIO, N.C. Merchants Association, N.C. League of Women Voters, N.C. State Grange, N.C. Farm Bureau Federation, and N.C. Electric Membership Corporation. In addition, the great majority of local school boards and boards of county commissioners have formally endorsed the Bond Issue and are actively working for its passage.

10. Why is the campaign emphasizing information at the school district level?

Each community has its own unique situation and educational needs. Citizens identify with the educational system and needs in their own community and need to know how much their own system will receive from bond proceeds and what the Bond Issue will do for each individual community. In this way, voters will be better able to make informed judgments on the benefits of the Bond Issue throughout the state.

11. Will the bond referendum be a "separate ballot" on November 6?

Yes! The referendum will be on a ballot separate from other statewide issues as well as local elections. Where voting machines are to be used, it will be impossible to vote straight "yes" or "no" tickets for more than one issue. There will not, however, be absentee voting on the school bond referendum.

For Further Information:

Contact Transylvania County School Superintendent PAID ADV.



HOSPITAL AUXILIARY SELLING FRUIT CAKES — The Transylvania Community Hospital Auxiliary is selling Claxton Fruit Cakes with the slogan: "Have your cake and eat it too, helping others as well as you." Shown in the above photo are Mrs. Cliff Brookshire, left, and

Mrs. Jack Bryant, right, co-chairmen of the cake sale. The old fashioned, Georgia-made fruit cakes are on sale in various Brevard businesses and are being sold on the street by members of the Auxiliary. (Times Staff Photo)

Hospital Auxiliary Planning Bigger, Better Yule Bazaar

The Transylvania Community Hospital Auxiliary is planning a bigger and better Christmas Bazaar this year.

It is to be Nov. 15th at the American Legion Building.

The Bazaar is one of the many ways of raising money for the projects the Auxiliary. Their main project last year was drapes for the new Hospital.

This year the main project is to buy a Fetal Monitor Device for the Hospital.

This monitor is a sophisticated modern electronic means of measuring a babies well being during labor.

The Hospital Auxiliary hopes everyone will make things for the Bazaar, as well as coming to the big event.

The chairman for different booths are listed below.

"If you have anything to donate to the Bazaar, feel free to call these chairman and they will be glad to give you further

information. Boxes will be put in Pattersons of Brevard, First Union National Bank and Brevard Pharmacy, for collection of any items one might donate for the Bazaar," says the president. The chairmen are:

- Mrs. Ray Simmons
- Mrs. William Millner
- Mrs. Ben Patterson
- Booth Chairmen:
- Mrs. Robert Bolt, 883-3748

Covered Dish Supper At The Legion Building

There will be a covered dish supper at the American Legion building on Saturday night, November 5th, beginning at 7:15 o'clock.

The supper is for members and their out-of-town guests.

Legionnaires and auxiliary members are cordially invited to attend.

Dance

There will be a dance afterwards, beginning at 9:00 o'clock.

The dance will be for members only and their out-of-town guests.

No admission will be charged

Candy

Mrs. J. S. Carpenter, 883-3336 — Baked Goods

Mrs. Walter Clayton, 883-4283 — Country Kitchen

Mrs. Gil Coan, Jr., 883-3996 — Crafts

Mrs. Glen Echols, 883-3572 — White Elephant

Mrs. Walter Helms, 883-6540 — Toys and games

Mrs. J. B. Scroggin, 883-0633 — Christmas Booth

Mrs. J. W. Arden, 883-3497 — Luncheon

Again this year, lunch will be served at the Bazaar. So plan to eat there, says Mrs. Simmons.

Claxton fruit cakes are also being sold by the Auxiliary.

Mrs. Cliff Brookshire, and Mrs. Jack Bryant are chairman of this project.



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- Most Efficient Use Of Tax Monies
- City And County Cooperation To Provide Needed Services
- Better Services For Youth, Especially In Jobs And Recreation
- Mayor Campbell And The Continued Progress In Brevard



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