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Warm Springs students took a field trip last week to the fish hatchery, where they saw and handled eels.

Voting: question of whether to re-vote

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Councilman Smith asked whether the two-witness signature requirement was followed during the counting process.

Election chairwoman Tsumpti said the decision was made to count the absentees regardless of whether there were two signatures, as this had not been a requirement in previous elections.

"So we followed the ordinance in the mail-out, but not in the counting?" Councilman Smith asked.

The discussion then turned to whether the tribes should have a second vote on the motorsports referendum.

Councilman Kahseuss Jackson said the witness requirement made it harder for the absentees to vote. Chief Operations Officer J.P. Patt expressed the same notion: "It was disenfranchisement, making them meet a higher burden."

Councilman Reuben Henry said a re-vote would cost the tribes more money, while everyone is trying to save.

Councilman Raymond Tsumpti said the result of a second referendum would be the same. The voters would ask, "What part of 'no' don't

you understand?" he said.

Councilman Moses said the school referendum took a second referendum before meeting the one-third requirement.

Councilwoman Evaline Patt said the Council could revisit the issue in June, as the matter before them was the

referendum results.

Councilman Moses made a motion to approve the results, seconded by Paiute Chief Joe Moses. The vote was 8-1 in favor of approving the results, Councilman Smith voting against.

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Paiute Chief Joe Moses made a motion, amending Councilman Smith's motion, for the General Council meeting to include discussion of the all the enterprises, so the membership can be informed as we enter budget planning for 2014. This motion was seconded by Councilman Raymond Tsumpti.

The vote was 5-4 in favor of Chief Moses' motion. Voting in favor were Chief Moses, Wasco Chief J.R. Smith, Councilwoman Evaline Patt, and Councilman Reuben Henry.

Voting against were Councilmen Orvie Danzuka, Kahseuss Jackson, Scott Moses and Carlos Smith.



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