

Kenyon-Wanamingo Schools – ISD 2172
School Board Meeting Minutes – July 28, 2025

I. Call Meeting to Order

Chair Craig called the meeting of the Kenyon-Wanamingo Board of Education to order at 6:00 p.m. in the media center in Kenyon followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Members present: Marilyn Syverson, Tonya Craig, Erica Aronson, Madilynn Lurken, James Jarvis, AJ Lindell and ex-officio member superintendent Pat Heiderscheit. Absent was Debb Paquin.

II. Approve Agenda

Motion to approve agenda. M/S/C Lindell/Jarvis, 6-0.

III. Public Comment

None

IV. Announcements/Recognitions

None

V. Approve Minutes

Motion to approve minutes from June 23, 2025. M/S/C Syverson/Craig, 6-0.

VI. Personnel Report

Motion to approve personnel report. M/S/C Craig/Lindell, 6-0.

Resignation/Retirement

Kirby VanDeWalker, PE/Health Teacher, resignation effective 7/15/2025

Appointments

Peyton Temple, Summer Custodian, Class 1, Step 1, 29 days at 8 hours each from effective 6/20/2025-7/31/2025.

Chloe Gohman, Grade 4 Teacher, MA, Step 4; effective for the 2025-2026 school year.

Change in Employment

Cheryl Dahl, Lane Change from MA+20 to MA+30, effective 7/17/2025

Advancement of Probationary Staff to Continuing Contract for 2025-2026

Chloe Gohman

VII. Items for Discussion

A. Data Review – Dr. Weston Johnson and Jess Whitcomb

Dr. Weston Johnson and Jess Whitcomb provided a review of the K-W reading improvement project.

VIII. Items for Individual Action

A. Indoor Air Quality Project

Superintendent Heiderscheit reviewed the Sitelogic indoor air quality project and the potential need for more funding to complete the project. Three options were presented. First, the original project scope of \$10,674,000. Second, adding system upgrades to fire alarms and heating hot water quality for \$11,874,500. Third, adding in 1954 ventilation needs and this option is project scope all needs for \$13, 209,812.

Motion to accept option three for all project needs for IAQ project for \$13,209,812 with 17 year payback. M/S/C Syverson/Lindell, 6-0.

B. Resolution stating the intention of the school board to issue general obligation facilities maintenance bonds

RESOLUTION STATING THE INTENTION OF THE SCHOOL BOARD TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION FACILITIES MAINTENANCE BONDS, SERIES 2025B, IN THE MAXIMUM AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$13,675,000 AND TAKING OTHER ACTIONS WITH RESPECT THERETO

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board (the "Board") of Independent School District No. 2172 (Kenyon-Wanamingo Schools), Goodhue, Dodge, Rice and Steele Counties, Minnesota (the "District"), as follows:

1. Background. It is hereby determined that:

(a) The District is authorized under the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 475, as amended (the "Act"), and Minnesota Statutes, Section 123B.595, as amended ("Section 123B.595"), to issue general obligation facilities maintenance bonds for the purpose of financing certain facilities and site maintenance projects approved by the Commissioner of Education (the "Commissioner").

(b) The Board hereby finds and determines that it is necessary and expedient to the sound financial management of the affairs of the District to issue its General Obligation Facilities Maintenance Bonds, Series 2025B (the "Bonds"), in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$13,675,000, pursuant to the Act and Section 123B.595 to finance the costs of certain facilities and site maintenance projects of the District (the "Project") which are included in the District's ten-year facilities plan for Fiscal Year 2027 (the "Plan") and related financing costs.

(c) The Board hereby approves the Plan, which is incorporated in this Resolution as though fully specified herein, and authorizes and directs District staff and officials to submit the Plan to the Commissioner for approval, as well as any amendments to the Plan and the proposed issuance of the Bonds, as required by the Act and Section 123B.595. District staff and officials are further authorized and directed to submit to the Commissioner such additional information as may be necessary to secure such approval.

2. Covenant as to State Credit Enhancement.

(a) The District hereby covenants and obligates itself to notify the Commissioner of a potential default in the payment of principal and interest on the Bonds and to use the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.55 (the "Credit Enhancement Act") to guarantee payment of the principal and interest on the Bonds when due. The District further covenants to deposit with the paying agent for the Bonds (the "Paying Agent"), or any successor paying agent, three (3) days prior to the date on which a payment is due an amount sufficient to make that payment or to notify the Commissioner that it will be unable to make all or a portion of that payment. The Paying Agent is authorized and directed to notify the Commissioner if it becomes aware of a potential default in the payment of principal or interest on the Bonds or if, on the day two (2) business days prior to the date a payment is due on the Bonds, there are insufficient funds on deposit with the Paying Agent to make that payment. The District understands that as a result of its covenant to be bound by the provisions of the Credit Enhancement Act, the provisions of that section shall be binding as long as any Bonds of this issue remain outstanding.

(b) The District further covenants to comply with all procedures now and hereafter established by the Minnesota Departments of Management and Budget and Education pursuant to subdivision 2(c) of the Credit Enhancement Act and otherwise to take such actions as necessary to comply with that section. The Board Chair, Clerk, Treasurer, Superintendent, or Business Manager of the District are authorized to execute any applicable Minnesota Department of Education forms.

3. Sale of Bonds. The Board has retained Ehlers and Associates, Inc. (the "Municipal Advisor"), to serve as the District's independent municipal advisor with respect to the offer and sale of the Bonds and, therefore, is authorized by Section 475.60, subdivision 2(9), of the Act to sell the Bonds other than pursuant to a competitive sale.

4. Acceptance of Proposal. The Board shall meet at the time specified in the Preliminary Official Statement or at such other time designated by the Board to receive and consider proposals for the purchase of the Bonds and take any other appropriate action with respect to the Bonds.

5. Authority of Municipal Advisor. The Municipal Advisor is authorized and directed to assist the District in the preparation and dissemination of a Preliminary Official Statement to be distributed to potential purchasers of the Bonds and to open, read, and tabulate the proposals for the purchase of the Bonds for presentation to the Board. The Municipal Advisor is further authorized and directed to assist the District in the award and sale of the Bonds on behalf of the District after receipt of written proposals and to assist the District in the preparation and dissemination of a final Official Statement with respect to the Bonds.

6. Authority of Bond Counsel. The law firm of Kennedy & Graven, Chartered, is authorized to act as bond counsel for the District ("Bond Counsel"), and to assist in the preparation and review of necessary documents, certificates, and instruments related to the Bonds. The officers, employees, and agents of the District are hereby authorized to assist Bond Counsel in the preparation of such documents, certificates, and instruments.

7. Notice of Issuance of Facilities Maintenance Bonds. The Clerk is authorized and directed to cause a notice substantially in the form of the Notice attached as EXHIBIT A hereto to be published as a legal notice one (1) time in the official newspaper of the District as soon as reasonably practicable after adoption of this Resolution, but in any event, at least twenty (20) days before the earlier of the issuance of the Bonds or the final certification of levies.

8. Reimbursement from Bond Proceeds. The District may incur certain expenditures that may be financed temporarily from sources other than the Bonds and reimbursed from the proceeds of the Bonds. Treasury Regulation § 1.150-2 (the "Reimbursement Regulations") provides that proceeds of tax-exempt bonds allocated to reimburse expenditures originally paid from a source other than the tax-exempt bonds will not be deemed expended unless certain requirements are met. In order to preserve its ability to reimburse certain costs from proceeds of the Bonds in accordance with the Reimbursement Regulations, the District hereby makes its declaration of official intent (the "Declaration") described below to reimburse certain costs

(a) Declaration of Intent. The District proposes to issue the Bonds to finance the costs of the Project. The District may reimburse original expenditures made for certain costs of the Project from the proceeds of the Bonds in an estimated maximum principal amount of \$13,675,000. All reimbursed expenditures will be capital expenditures, costs of issuance of the Bonds, or other expenditures eligible for reimbursement under Section 1.150-2(d)(3) of the Reimbursement Regulations.

(b) Declaration Made Not Later Than 60 Days. This Declaration has been made not later than sixty (60) days after payment of any original expenditure to be subject to a reimbursement allocation with respect to the proceeds of the Bonds, except for the following expenditures: (a) costs of issuance of the Bonds; (b) costs in an amount not in excess of \$100,000 or five percent (5%) of the proceeds of the Bonds; or (c) "preliminary expenditures" up to an amount not in excess of twenty (20) percent of the aggregate issue price of the Bonds that finance or are reasonably expected by the District to finance the Project for which the preliminary expenditures were incurred. The term "preliminary expenditures" includes architectural, engineering, surveying, bond issuance, and similar costs that are incurred prior to commencement of acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of the Project, other than land acquisition, site preparation, and similar costs incident to commencement of construction.

(c) Reasonable Expectations; Official Intent. This Declaration is an expression of the reasonable expectations of the District based on the facts and circumstances known to the District as of the date hereof. The anticipated original expenditures for the Project and the principal amount of the Bonds described in Section 8(a), above, are consistent with the District's budgetary and financial circumstances. No sources other than proceeds of the Bonds to be issued by the District are, or are reasonably expected to be, reserved, allocated on a long-term basis, or otherwise set aside pursuant to the District's budget or

financial policies to pay such original expenditures. This Resolution is intended to constitute a declaration of official intent for purposes of the Reimbursement Regulations.

Tonya Craig introduced the motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution, it was duly seconded by Marilyn Syverson, and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor of the motion: Craig, Lindell, Syverson, Aronson, Lurken, Jarvis. Paquin absent.

and the following voted against: None

whereupon the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

EXHIBIT A

NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE FACILITIES MAINTENANCE BONDS TO FINANCE PROJECTS INCLUDED IN THE DISTRICT'S TEN-YEAR FACILITIES PLAN

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2172 (KENYON-WANAMINGO SCHOOLS) GOODHUE, DODGE, RICE AND STEELE COUNTIES, MINNESOTA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the School Board of Independent School District No. 2172 (Kenyon-Wanamingo Schools), Goodhue, Dodge, Rice and Steele Counties, Minnesota (the "District"), intends to issue its General Obligation Facilities Maintenance Bonds, Series 2025B (the "Bonds"), in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$13,675,000, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 475, as amended, and Minnesota Statutes, Section 123B.595, as amended. The proceeds of the Bonds will be used to finance certain projects included in the District's ten-year facilities plan and related financing costs. A general description of the projects to be financed is as follows:

- Health and Safety/Indoor Air Quality projects at school facilities included in the District's ten-year facilities plan approved by the Commissioner of Education.

The total amount of District indebtedness as of July 1, 2025, is \$13,425,000. If these proposed Bonds were issued after that date, the total indebtedness of the District at that time would be \$27,100,000.

Dated: July 28, 2025

BY ORDER OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

/s/

Clerk of the School Board

Independent School District No. 2172

(Kenyon-Wanamingo Schools), Goodhue, Dodge, Rice
and Steele Counties, Minnesota

C. K-W LTFM Resolution

Erica Aronson introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION APPROVING SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2172 LONG-TERM FACILITY MAINTENANCE TEN YEAR PLAN

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of District No. 2172, State of Minnesota, as follows:
The School Board of School District 2172 has approved the Long-Term Facility Maintenance Ten Year Plan for the Kenyon Wanamingo Public School #2172 facilities for 2025-2035. The various components of this plan are attached.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by AJ Lindell and, upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Craig, Syverson, Aronson, Lurken, Jarvis, and Lindell. Paquin absent.

And the following voted against the same: None

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

D. Transportation Contract

Motion to table the Transportation Contract with Faribault Transportation 2025-2035. M/S/C Jarvis/Lindell, 6-0.

E. Resolution Announcing Availability of Positions

RESOLUTION ANNOUNCING AVAILABILITY OF POSITIONS

BE IT RESOLVED, by the School Board of Independent District No. 2172, as follows:

1. That the following specific positions are declared to be available:

A. .33 FTE Physical Education/Health Teacher

2. That reinstatement rights to the above positions shall be determined as of 7/28/2025,

3. That the Superintendent and the Administration are directed to notify the appropriate persons on the reinstatement lists of the availability of the positions. The motion for the adoption of the preceding resolution was introduced by Marilyn Syverson and duly seconded by James Jarvis and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Craig, Aronson, Syverson, Lindell, Jarvis and Lurken. Paquin absent.

the following voted against the same: None

whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

F. School Calendar Revised

Motion to approve revised school calendar 2025-2026. M/S/C Craig/Aronson, 6-0.

G. Fee Structure 2025-2026

Motion to approve Fee Structure 2025-2026 with 20% increases to activity fees. M/S/C Aronson/Lindell, 6-0.

H. Annual Policy Review

Motion to approve annual policy review of 410 Family and Medical Leave, 506 Student Discipline and Notice of Suspension and 722 Data Requests. M/S/C Syverson/Aronson, 6-0.

I. Crisis Management Plan 2025-2026

Motion to approve Crisis Management Plan 2025-2026. M/S/C Craig/Lindell, 6-0.

J. Revised Policies – Single Reading

Motion to approve revised single reading of policies 524, 534, 602, 621, 707, 709, 802, and 806. M/S/C Aronson/Syverson, 6-0.

K. Return to Work Program Review

Motion to approve the Return to Work Program for annual review. M/S/C Aronson/Lindell, 6-0.

IX. Administrative Reports

A. Administrative reports were given

B. Finance Report

Claims on Accounts and Electronic Transfer

Fund 01	\$240,248.87
Fund 02	\$25,266.33
Fund 04	\$1,572.45
Fund 06	\$0.00
Fund 07	\$1,900.00

Fund 18	\$0.00
Fund 50	<u>\$55.50</u>
Total	\$269,043.15
Electronic Fund Transfers	\$595,170.46
MNTRUST Transfers	\$250,000.00

X. Adjourn Meeting

Motion to adjourn at 7:23 p.m. M/S/C Lindell/Aronson, 6-0.

Debb Paquin, School Board Clerk