Regular School Board Meeting

Monday, October 13, 2025 7:00 PM BOARDROOM, 200 Highway 55 E, Maple Lake, Minnesota 55358

Natalie Anderson: Absent
Kaitlyn Helmbrecht: Present
Liz Lind: Present
Scott Mavencamp: Present
Joe Paumen: Present
Jen Rasset: Present
Branson Thomas: Present

1. Call meeting to order

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. "District #881 is Proud of"

4. (INFORMATIONAL) Recognition of visitors

Presenter: Rowe

Discussion: Visitors:

- Mike Rowe
- Lisa Rademacher
- Amelia Gapinski
- Dave Hansen
- Anna Reedy
- Amanda Labo
- Matt & Tara Howard
- Mikayla Sutter
- Tanya Malwitz
- Brenda Erdahl
- Ethan Paumen
- Marie Halloran

5. (ACTION) Approve the agenda for the regular school board meeting held on Monday, October 13, 2025.

Action(s):

Motion to approve the agenda for the Monday, October 13 school board meeting. This motion, made by Branson Thomas and seconded by Kaitlyn Helmbrecht, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Natalie Anderson: Absent
Kaitlyn Helmbrecht: Yea
Liz Lind: Yea
Scott Mavencamp: Yea
Joe Paumen: Yea
Jen Rasset: Yea
Branson Thomas: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

6. (ACTION) Approve the consent agenda for the regular

school board meeting held on Monday, October 13, 2025 (See Exhibit 1 - Consent Agenda; September 8, 2025, Minutes; Board Checks; Manual Checks; Operating Investments; OPEB Investments, Technology Bond Investments, Monthly Donations, Payroll Contribution Checks) ROLL CALL VOTE

Action(s):

Motion to approve the consent agenda for the regular school board meeting held on Monday, October 13, 2025. This motion, made by Liz Lind and seconded by Scott Mavencamp, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Natalie Anderson: Absent
Kaitlyn Helmbrecht: Yea
Liz Lind: Yea
Scott Mavencamp: Yea
Joe Paumen: Yea
Jen Rasset: Yea
Branson Thomas: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

7. (INFORMATIONAL) Open Forum

- 8. (7:10) Unfinished Business
- 8.A. Enrollment 2025-2026
- 8.B. Food Service Report

8.C. Health Insurance

Action(s):

Motion to approve Health Partners as the ISD 881 insurance provider for the 2026-2027 school year. This motion, made by Joe Paumen and seconded by Branson Thomas, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Natalie Anderson: Absent
Kaitlyn Helmbrecht: Yea
Liz Lind: Yea
Scott Mavencamp: Yea
Joe Paumen: Yea
Jen Rasset: Yea
Branson Thomas: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

8.D. MSHSL FORM A

Action(s):

Motion to approve MSHSL Resolution Form A. This motion, made by Branson Thomas and seconded by Liz Lind, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Natalie Anderson: Absent

Kaitlyn Helmbrecht: Yea
Liz Lind: Yea
Scott Mavencamp: Yea
Joe Paumen: Yea
Jen Rasset: Yea
Branson Thomas: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

8.E. Remove Bank Signer

Action(s):

Motion to approve removing Colleen Carlson for the general school bank account. This motion, made by Kaitlyn Helmbrecht and seconded by Branson Thomas, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Natalie Anderson: Absent
Kaitlyn Helmbrecht: Yea
Liz Lind: Yea
Scott Mavencamp: Yea
Joe Paumen: Yea
Jen Rasset: Yea
Branson Thomas: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

9. Spring MCA Testing Data

10. **(7:20) New Business**

10.A. Teacher Evaluation Cycle

10.B. 2025-2026 Support Staff Seniority List

Action(s):

Motion to approve the 2025-2026 Support Staff Seniority List. This motion, made by Liz Lind and seconded by Jen Rasset, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Natalie Anderson: Absent
Kaitlyn Helmbrecht: Yea
Liz Lind: Yea
Scott Mavencamp: Yea
Joe Paumen: Yea
Jen Rasset: Yea
Branson Thomas: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

10.c. 2025-2026 Certified Staff Seniority List

Action(s):

Motion to approve the 2025-2026 Certified Staff Seniority List. This motion, made by Joe Paumen and seconded by Branson Thomas, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Natalie Anderson: Absent Kaitlyn Helmbrecht: Yea Liz Lind: Yea
Scott Mavencamp: Yea
Joe Paumen: Yea
Jen Rasset: Yea
Branson Thomas: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

10.D. Policy 611 Review

Action(s):

Motion to approve policy 611 for the 2025-2026 school year. This motion, made by Liz Lind and seconded by Kaitlyn Helmbrecht, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Natalie Anderson: Absent
Kaitlyn Helmbrecht: Yea
Liz Lind: Yea
Scott Mavencamp: Yea
Joe Paumen: Nay
Jen Rasset: Yea
Branson Thomas: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 5, Nay: 1, Absent: 1 Discussion: 2025-2026 school year: 100% 2nd quarter until the end of the year. Either online or in person.

10.E. State of the School

11. (7:45) Representative Reports

11.A. District Leadership Team - Natalie Anderson

Discussion: The staff are really happy with the whole day workshop. More time for planning lessons and training.

11.B. ECFE/Community Education - Liz Lind

Discussion:

- Reworking the bylaws with attendance to meetings
- Looking into new city council member to attend meetings.
- ANML Getting new mats/ storage
- They delivered 109 welcome boxes to newborns.
- Getting a water filler at the fitness center
- Talk about increasing membership fees.
- Replacing equipment at the fitness center.
- Numbers are up for traveling and open hoops basketball.

11.C. Food Service Committee-Branson Thomas Discussion: The committee did not meet.

11.D. Meeker and Wright Special Ed Co-Op - Jen Rasset

Discussion: They talked about union negotiations and the increase in health insurance.

11.E. Minnesota State High School League - Liz Lind

Discussion: The committee did not meet.

11.F. Safe Schools Committee - Kaitlyn Helmbrecht

Discussion:

- Updates on phone cases doubling as vapes.
- THC drink mixes
- Increase in mushroom use.
- Telegram App- used for drug sales and talk.
- BCA training on 10/29 8am-4pm.
- Students for MEADA board & Public Health for the youth advisory board.
- MEADA has mini-grants avaliable.
- 11.G. Technology Committee Branson Thomas

Discussion: The committee did not meet.

11.H. Wright Technical Center - Joe Paumen

Discussion:

- Wright Tech career fair was held on 10/13/25.
- Updating the superintendent's license by Dec/Jan.
- The SRO has not gained any traction.
- They approved the paid family/medical leave act

11. I. Elementary School - Anna Reedy

Discussion:

- We received a donation of \$390 from Holy Cross Lutheran Church toward BackPack Buddies.
- Conferences and Scholastic Book Fair tonight, tomorrow night, and all day Wednesday.
- National Hot Lunch Day tomorrow. We are expecting over 330 guests for the event.
- Wearing orange on Wednesdays in October, taking a stand against bullying.
- Vision/hearing screenings Tuesday-Wednesday, October 21-22. October 22 is also picture retake day.
- PTA is set to host the Halloween Carnival on Saturday, Oct. 25.
- Early childhood screening will take place on Oct. 27 and Nov. 3, getting a head start on next year!
- LEEA Banquet is scheduled for Oct. 29. The elementary recipients this year are Tami Kolehmainen and Ethan Brummer.
- Enrichment invitations are going out during conferences this week. Diane Hertwig in math, Bethany Linder in reading; both content areas will begin the first week of November, getting in about 7 weeks before Christmas.
- November will also begin our Catch-Up Club for students in grades 4-6. Invitations for that are also going out during conferences.

11.J. High School - Dave Hansen

Discussion: 1. Homecoming

- a. Lots of participation
- b. Successful week

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2. Sept. Staff Development Day - Sept. 19
a. William Grube - AI training
b. Real Colors continued training
c. Support Staff - READ Act
3. College Fair - Dassel-Cokato HS - Sept. 25
a. Juniors and Seniors
4. Mid-quarter - Wednesday, Oct. 8
5. Ignite Field Trip - Friday, Oct. 10
a. Sophomores - Ridgewater college
b. Explored career opportunities
6. Art Field Trip - Friday, Oct. 10
a. Studio Art I Students
b. Pottery Studio in Kimball
7. Parent/Teacher Conferences, Monday, Oct. 13 -
TONIGHT!
8. Juniors signed up taking the PSAT test - Oct.
9. LEEA Banquet Oct. 29 in St. Cloud honoring:
a. Amanda Labo
b. Brad Salveson
10. Staff Development Day - Oct. 31
11. End of the Quarter is Nov. 6
12. Veteran's Day Program
a. Nov. 11
b. Les Rasset - Guest Speaker
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12. (7:55) Committee Reports

12.A. Activities Committee - Lind, Thomas, Mavencamp

Discussion: The committee did not meet.

12.B. Building and Grounds Committee - Paumen, Helmbrecht, Mavencamp

Discussion: The committee did not meet.

- 12.C. Confidential Staff Committee Rasset, Anderson, Thomas **Discussion:** The committee did not meet.
- 12.D. Finance and Programs Committee Helmbrecht, Rasset, Anderson

Discussion: The committee did not meet.

12.E. Licensed Staff Committee - Helmbrecht, Anderson,

Paumen

Discussion: Meeting is ongoing — the next meeting is 10/20/2025.

- 12.F. Support Staff Committee Anderson, Lind, Mavencamp **Discussion:** The committee did not meet.
- 13. (8:20) Set Meeting Dates
- 14. **(8:25) Other Business**
- 14.A. Mail
- 14.B. Upcoming Meetings
- 14.B.1. Leadership in Education Excellence Award Banquet at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 29, 2025, in St. Cloud
- 14.B.2. Relicensure Committee Meeting at 3:15 p.m. on

Thursday, November 6, 2025, in Room D27

14.B.3. CMC Fall Coaches Meeting on Wednesday, October 29, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. in Paynesville

14.C. Miscellaneous Information

15. **(8:40) Adjourn**

Action(s):

Motion to adjourn the board meeting held on 10/13/2025 at 7:53PM. This motion, made by Branson Thomas and seconded by Joe Paumen, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Natalie Anderson: Absent
Kaitlyn Helmbrecht: Yea
Liz Lind: Yea
Scott Mavencamp: Yea
Joe Paumen: Yea
Jen Rasset: Yea
Branson Thomas: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Board Secretary