

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 273
OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 10, 2026

REGULAR MEETING
7:00 PM

Edina Community Center Room 349
5701 Normandale Road, Edina

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

ABSENT:

Ms. Erica Allenburg
Mr. Dan Arom
Ms. Cheryl Barry
Mr. Michael Birdman
Ms. Karen Gabler
Ms. Jennifer Huwe
Mr. Elliot Mann

PRESIDING OFFICER: Chair Karen Gabler

7:02 PM - 7:49 PM

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Daniel Bittman, Superintendent
Nate Swenson, Assistant Superintendent
Dr. Frannie Becquer, Director of Achievement Equity and Multilingual Learner Programming
Jody De St. Hubert, Director of Teaching and Learning
Daphne Edwards, Director of Marketing and Communications
Jennifer Froehlich, Director of Student Support Services
Sonya Sailer, Executive Director of Human Resources
Mert Woodard, Executive Director of Finance and Operations

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Ms. Karen Gabler, Chair

Ms. Erica Allenburg, Clerk

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA

HEARING FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

CONSENT

- A. Minutes: *July 13 work session and regular meeting; July 21 work session*
- B. Personnel Recommendations
- C. Check Register - July 2026
- D. Electronic Fund Transfers - July 2026
- E. Gifts and Bequests – July 2026
- F. Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) Software Contract Award
- G. 2026-2027 Board Meeting Dates_amended

DISCUSSION

- A. Summer Construction Update
- B. Strategic Plan - Strategy C Recap
- C. Board Compensation Analysis

ACTION

- A. 2026-2027 School Board Goals
- B. 2026-2027 Superintendent Goals
- C. Policy Review (208, 503, 520, 601, 616, 626)

LEADERSHIP AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATES

INFORMATION

- A. Investment Summary - July 2026

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:49 PM. The minutes and resolutions are open to public inspection on the district website, and on file at the district office, 5701 Normandale Road.

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Member Mann moved and Member Arom seconded to approve the agenda. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

New administrators, Mandy Stokes (AP at EHS), Alex Hinseth (AP at VVMS), Sarah Klitzke (AD for T&L) and Amie Wold (AD for SSS) were introduced.

CONSENT

Member Arom moved and Member Huwe seconded to approve the consent agenda. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

The resolutions were:

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DISCUSSION/REPORT

Summer Construction Update: Summer construction projects were reviewed.

Strategic Plan - Strategy C Recap: A recap of the recent discussion of Strategy C of the district's Strategic Plan at Leadership Advance was provided.

Board Compensation Analysis: Board member compensation was discussed.

ACTION

2026-2027 School Board Goals: Member Mann moved and Member Allenburg seconded to approve the motion. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

2026-2027 Superintendent Goals: Member Huwe moved and Member Allenburg seconded to approve the motion. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

Policy Review (208, 503, 520, 601, 616, 626): Member Mann moved and Member Allenburg seconded to approve the motion. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

- Policy 208 Development, Adoption, and Implementation of Policies
- Policy 503 Student Attendance
- Policy 520 Student Surveys
- Policy 601 Educational Competencies, Academic Standards, and Instructional Curriculum
- Policy 616 School District System Accountability
- Policy 626 Independent Provider Activity Programs

LEADERSHIP AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

Member Allenburg provided an update about the upcoming election and the ballot question about the Permanent School Fund.

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATES

Dr. Bittman shared about AP achievement scores; the recent Leadership Advance meetings; construction projects - on time, on budget; back to school plans; and his participation in the interview process for the Edina city manager.

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:49 PM, Member Birdman moved, and Member Arom seconded to adjourn the meeting. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.