

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
OF THE RUSHFORD-PETERSON SCHOOL BOARD**
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2026
6:00 PM



RUSHFORD-PETERSON SCHOOLS FORUM ROOM
1000 PINE MEADOWS LANE
RUSHFORD, MINNESOTA 55971

MINUTES

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Adoption of Agenda
Approve to adopt agenda as presented. This motion, made by Helgemoe and seconded by Schollmeier, Passed.
Yea: 7, Nay: 0
5. MSBA sponsors **Minnesota School Board Recognition Month** each September to recognize school board members for their commitment to Minnesota's public school students. The theme for the 2026 Recognition Month will be "**Minnesota School Boards help Minnesota Kids Rise.**"
6. Public Comments
7. **CONSENT AGENDA** *(roll call vote)*
Approve the consent agenda as presented. This motion, made by Schollmeier and seconded by Snyder, Passed.
Yea: 7, Nay: 0
 - 7.A. August 17, 2026 Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes
 - 7.B. Donations in the amount of \$3,300
 - 7.C. Hand payables, wires & payroll liabilities in the amount of \$278,812.50
 - 7.D. August 2026 Payroll in the amount of \$272,685.84
 - 7.E. Board bills in the amount of \$215,754.31
 - 7.F. FUND SUMMARY REPORTS
 - 7.G. PERSONNEL:
 - Hires:
 - Annika Bakkum-Ekern, Assistant Speech Coach
 - Amanda Heim and Madison Frederick - Kitchen Assistants
 - Keegan Spitzer, Paraprofessional
 - Carson Thompson, JH Football
 - Andrea Pepin, Junior Class Advisor (Prom)
 - 7.H. -Resignations:
 - Clay Olstad-JV Girls Basketball
 - Jen Kleist-Paraprofessional
 - 7.I. -Leave:
 - Jason Kniseley-Bonding Leave 9/7-12/31 (intermittent)
 - 7.J. Fillmore County Foster Care Transportation Agreement
 8. **OLD BUSINESS**
 9. **NEW BUSINESS**

9.A. Approve the certification of the proposed levy for 2026 payable in 2027. Set the levy rate at the maximum.

Approve the certification of the proposed levy for 2026 payable in 2027 at the maximum levy authority. This motion, made by Snyder and seconded by Grindland, Passed.

Yea: 7, Nay: 0

9.B. First Reading and adoption of the following Policies

- 208 - DEVELOPMENT, ADOPTION, AND IMPLEMENTATION OF POLICIES
- 402 DISABILITY NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY
- 423 - EMPLOYEE-STUDENT RELATIONSHIPS
- 507.5 SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS
- 509 - ENROLLMENT OF NONRESIDENT STUDENTS
- 521 - STUDENT DISABILITY NONDISCRIMINATION
- 524 - INTERNET, TECHNOLOGY, AND CELL PHONE ACCEPTABLE USE AND SAFETY POLICY
- 613 - GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS
- 722 - PUBLIC DATA AND DATA SUBJECT REQUESTS
- 621 - LITERACY AND THE READ ACT
- 624 - ONLINE INSTRUCTION

Approve the proposed changes to policies 208, 402, 423, 507.5, 509, 521, 524, 613, 621, 624, and 722. This motion, made by Grindland and seconded by Sawle, Passed.

Yea: 7, Nay: 0

10. **ADMIN REPORTS**

10.A. Superintendent Report

10.B. Elementary Report

10.C. Middle School / High School Report

10.D. Activities Director Report

11. **BOARD COMMUNICATIONS**

11.A. Hiawatha Valley Education District Report

12. **INFORMATION:** The following Regular meetings will be held at 6:00PM in the Forum Room.

- October 19
- November 16
- December 21

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

Move to adjourn at 6:26PM. This motion, made by Schollmeier and seconded by Snyder, Passed.

Yea: 7, Nay: 0

Amy Woxland ED.D. Chairperson

Matt Helgemoe, Clerk