Board Meeting Date: 11/9/2026

Title: Issuance of Certificates of Election and District Election-Related Duties

Type: Action

Presenter(s): Mert Woodard – Executive Director, Finance & Operations

Description: A school district general election was held on November 3, 2026, to elect four members to the School Board. The four candidates receiving the most votes are elected to four-year terms beginning in January 2027 and expiring in January 2031. Under Minn. Stat. § 205A.10, the School District Clerk issues a certificate of election to each elected candidate after the contest period has ended. Under Minn. Stat. § 211A.05, a certificate may not be issued until the candidate has filed all required campaign financial reports. Each elected candidate must then file an acceptance and oath of office with the Clerk within 30 days.

The four candidates receiving the highest number of votes are:

- SARAH QUAYLE
- KAREN GABLER
- MICHAEL BIRDMAN
- ELAINE OLSON

Recommendation: Adopt the resolution authorizing the School District Clerk to issue certificates of election once the period to contest the election has passed and each elected candidate has filed all required campaign financial reports, and authorizing the Clerk to perform all other election-related duties.

Desired Outcomes from the Board: Adoption of the resolution authorizing the issuance of certificates of election and other election-related duties.

Attachments:

1. Resolution – Certificates of Election 2026