MENAHGA PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 821
SEBEKA PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 820
Pairing & Sharing Committee
Thursday, November 5th, 2026 7:30 AM
Media Center – Menahga School

MINUTES

1. Call to Order- Jason Kjos called the meeting to order at 7:30 am. Members present: Dave Kerkvliet, Jay Kjos, Rod Huttunen, JoAnn Olsen, Jon Lillquist, Cherie Peterson, Nate Ericson, Katie Howard, John Hedstrom, Sarah Lusti

2. Approve Agenda-Motion to approve agenda by Lillquist, 2nd by Erickson-Motion carried

3. Review Meeting Minutes from 8/5/2026-Motion to approve minutes by Huttunen, 2nd by Olsen- Motion carried

4. Review Pairing Agreements for updates/additions/changes Discussion took place that the agreements are for 5 year periods and that they are current through the 28-29 school year.

5. Review Coaching Assignments

5.1. Spring Coaches-Discussion took place regarding who the coaches are for spring UNC Warrior paired sports.

6. Discussion on other paired/shared activities

6.1. Wrestling, Speech, Golf, Track, Cross Country

6.1.1. Wrestling-Discussion took place regarding the wrestling program and the hiring of UNC Head Girls Wrestling Coach Maija Aho. Discussion also took place about the wrestling cheerleading program with the coaches decision that Menahga will cheer at both Sebeka and Menaghga home wrestling meets for the season.

6.1.2. Speech-coaches are set and ready to start another season.

6.1.3. Golf-discussed consistant coaches, everything is ready to go for the spring season to start.

6.1.4. Track-coaches are set for the spring season, Pole Vaulting was also mentioned.

6.1.5. Cross Country-discussion on a successful season and continuing with the

same coaches.

6.1.6. Future changes to any shared/paired positions? Discussion took place regarding Robotics, still looking to fill this coaching position.

7. School Calendars-Kerkvliet and Kjos discussed that both school's calendars are between Labor Day and Memorial Day and for the most part are similar in nature which is favorable for UNC Warrior paired programs. Discussion on future calendars aligning-Superintendents will start working on two year calendars during their Superintendent Advisory Meetings.

8. Discussion

8.1. Other

8.1.1 Transportation Coordination-Discussion took place in regards to the Ceso Audit Menahga just completed. Both schools may consider combining in the future to save on transportation costs. Discussion also took place regarding the future of both schools pairing classes, creating more opportunity. Kjos mentioned what that may look like for both schools.

9. Set next Meeting: Motion by Hedstrom, 2nd by Lillquist to set the next meeting for Wednesday, March 17, 2027, at 7:30 am in Sebeka. Motion Carried

10. Adjourn: Motion by Huttunen, 2nd by Olsen to adjourn the meeting at 8:59 am.