

SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES
Organizational School Board Meeting
Delano Public School Tiger Den
Delano Public Schools
Independent School District #879, Delano, Minnesota
Monday, January 6, 2026, 5 p.m.

1. **Call to order. Present were Depa, Roeser, Gierke, Baker, Moyryla, Schaust and Black.**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Election of Officers**
 - A. **Chairperson**

C. Black nominated S. Roeser for Chairperson. There were no other nominations and Roeser was declared the chairperson. Motion passed 6-0.
 - B. **Vice Chairperson**

S. Baker nominated R. Schaust Vice Chairperson. There were no other nominations, and R. Schaust was declared the vice chairperson. Motion passed 6-0.
 - C. **Clerk**

R. Depa nominated S. Baker for Clerk. There were no other nominations, and S. Baker was declared the clerk. Motion passed 6-0
 - D. **Treasurer**

R. Depa nominated J. Gierke for Treasurer. There were no other nominations, and J. Gierke was declared the treasurer. Vote 6-0.
4. **Approval of Agenda**

Upon motion by R. Depa, seconded by J. Gierke, the Board of Education approved the agenda. Motion passed 7-0.
5. **Resolution to Delegate Clerk, Treasurer Duties**

Upon motion by R. Depa seconded by R. Schaust, the Board of Education approved the resolution to delegate clerk and treasurer duties. Vote passed 7-0.
6. **Annual Designations**
 - A. **Official Newspaper:** Consider quotes from the Delano Herald Journal and Crow River.

Upon motion by R. Schaust, seconded by S. Baker, the Board of Education approved the Delano Herald Journal as the official newspaper of Delano Public Schools. Motion passed 7-0.

Any of the following items, B-I, may be voted on separately at the request of a board member.

B. School Board Compensation:

Current Rates

Regular Meetings - \$60/meeting

Committee Meetings/Work Sessions/Special Meetings - \$40/meeting.

Workshops/Special Meetings - \$18/hour after two hours, not to exceed \$144.

Chairperson - \$300/year - stayed the same.

Clerk - \$250/year - stayed the same.

C. School Attorneys:

Official Attorneys - Squires, Waldspurger and Mace, P.A.

Authorized Personnel to Contact Attorneys - School Board Chair, Superintendent,
Human Rights Officer and Business Manager.

D. Memberships:

MSBA (MN School Board Association)

MAWSECO (Meeker and Wright Special Ed. Coop)

SAFF (Schools Advocating for Fair Funding)
Wright Technical Center (Career and Technical Coop)
CMERDC (Central MN Educ. Research and Dev. Council)
Resource Training and Solutions
Sherburne-Wright Educational Technology Cooperative

E. Federal Grants

Title I, II, and IV

F. Delegate authority to make electronic fund transfers:

Superintendent
Business Manager
Accountant
HR Coordinator
Payroll Specialist

G. Signatures for Elementary Activity Fund:

Business Manager
Elementary School Administrative Assistants

H. Prepayment of Bills:

Avoid penalties and finance charges
Reimbursement of employees
Obtain discounts
Pre-approved contracts

I. Official Depositories:

CorTrust Bank
Minnesota Lakes Bank
Wells Fargo
MN School District Liquid Asset Fund
PMA Securities, Inc./MN Trust
U.S. Bank Corporate Trust Services

Upon motion by R. Depa, seconded by R. Schaust, the Board of Education approved items B-I. Motion passed 7-0.

J. School Board Regular Meeting Times and Dates for 2026:

Fourth Monday of each month in the Tiger Den located in the high school, beginning at 5:30 p.m., with the following exceptions for the meetings held in March, May and Dec. 2026.

School board meetings will be held at 5:30 p.m. on May 16, May 18 and Dec. 14, 2026, in the Tiger Den located in the Delano High School.

Upon motion by R. Depa, seconded by R. Schaust, the Board of Education approved regular meeting times and dates for 2026. Motion passed 7-0.

K. Renew Board Operating Protocol

Upon motion by J. Gierke, seconded by C. Black, the Board of Education approved the Board Operating Protocols. Motion passed 7-0.

7. Appoint Board Members to Committees and Representative positions.

Upon motion by R. Depa, seconded by R. Schaust, the Board of Education Board of Education

appointed members to the list of Board Committees and Representative Positions.

Committee	2026 members
Building & Grounds/POC Committee	Black*, Baker, Gierke
Transportation Negotiations	Moyryla*, Depa, Schaust
Classified Employee Negotiations	Depa*, Roeser, Gierke
Teacher Negotiations	Black*, Schaust, Roeser
Administrative Negotiations	Black*, Depa, Roeser
Finance/Insurance Committee	Depa*, Schaust, Gierke
Delano City/School	Moyryla, Roeser*, Baker
Legislative	Depa, Moyryla, Baker
Public Relations	Myoryla, Roeser, Baker
Representatives	
MAWSECO (Meeker/Wright Special Ed. Coop)	Baker*, Depa
Wright Technical Center	Gierke*, Schaust
MN High School League	Black, Schaust*
Safe Schools	Depa*,
Schools Advocating for Fair Funding (SAFF)	Depa*, Moyryla

8. Approve Resolution designating the Identified Official with Authority to authorize user access to MDE secure websites for Delano Public Schools ISD 879.

Matthew W. Schoen.

Upon motion by S. Baker, seconded by J. Gierke, the Board of Education approved Matthew W. Schoen as the designated official. Motion passed 7-0.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:22 p.m.

Bobbie Dahlke

CLERK

RECORDER