

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
BEMIDJI AREA SCHOOLS
NOVEMBER 18, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education, Bemidji Area Schools, Bemidji, Beltrami/Hubbard Counties, Minnesota, was held on Monday, November 18, 2024, at 6:30 p.m., in the District Office Board Room

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jenny Frenzel, Justin Hoover, Anna Manecke, Julie Laitala, Ann Long Voelkner, Dave Wall, and Superintendent Jeremy Olson

Mckenzie Edevold – Student Representative

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

CALL TO ORDER: (Time: 6:30 p.m.)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The motion was offered by Ann Long Voelkner, seconded by Anna Manecke, and carried by all in attendance to approve the agenda.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Gail Gustafson – ESP Support
Jessica Anderson - ESP
Kathy Kerksen – Para Compensation
Vicky Christenson – Longevity
Sarah Erickson – ESP Support

REQUEST TO REMOVE TOPIC(S) FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

CONSENT AGENDA

The motion was offered by Julie Laitala, seconded by Justin Hoover, and carried by all in attendance to approve the following items:

- A. Minutes from the October 21, 2024 School Board Meeting
- B. Current Bills and Special Checks Totaling \$3,902,219.23
- C. Non-Certified Staff Resignations
- D. Request to Accept a Grant – BASC Incentive Program
- E. Request to Accept a Grant – Minnesota Reading Association

SPECIAL TOPICS

Bemidji High School Robotics

The BHS robotics team spoke about the outreach they have. The NMRC championship was held in Bemidji this year which featured their unified robotics team. There are many skills that are gained from robotics.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

Mckenzie Edevold spoke about attending the Student Representative Conference and the concern about the changes to switching classes at the high school.

LISTENING SESSION REVIEW

There were no participants in the listening session.

DONATIONS

The motion was offered by Ann Long Voelkner, seconded by Julie Laitala, and carried by all in attendance to accept the following donations, \$10,000 to the BHS art department, equipment for BHS and \$900 from Sanford Heath.

ACTION ITEMS

World's Best Workforce Approval

The motion was offered by Jenny Frenzel seconded by Julie Laitala, and carried by all in attendance to approve the 2023-2024 World's Best Workforce Summary Report.

Second Reading and Adoption of Revised SBR 400-25-1:Student Attendance MSBA 503

The motion was offered by Justin Hoover, seconded by Ann Long Voelkner, and carried by all in attendance to approve the second reading and adoption of revised policy SBR 400-25-1:Student Attendance MSBA 503.

First Reading of Revised SBR 400-90-11:Credit for Learning MSBA 620

The motion was offered by Jenny Frenzel, seconded by Anna Manecke, and carried by all in attendance to approve the first reading of revised policy SBR 400-90-11:Credit for Learning MSBA 620.

First Reading of Revised SBR 500-10-1:Student Transportation MSBA 709

The motion was offered by Anna Manecke, seconded by Jenny Frenzel, and carried by all in attendance to approve the first reading of revised policy SBR 500-10-1:Student Transportation MSBA 709.

First Reading of Revised SBR 500-20-1:Expense Reimbursement MSBA 412

The motion was offered by Justin Hoover, seconded by Ann Long Voelkner, and carried by all in attendance to approve the first reading of revised policy SBR 500-20-1:Expense Reimbursement MSBA 412.

First Reading of Revised SBR 500-30-1:Reimbursement of Parents for Travel Relating to Disabled Students Placed in Another School District

The motion was offered by Ann Long Voelkner, seconded by Anna Manecke, and carried by all in attendance to approve the first reading of revised policy SBR 500-30-1:Reimbursement of Parents for Travel Relating to Disabled Students Placed in Another School District.

First Reading of SBR 500-40-1:Extracurricular Transportation MSBA 710

The motion was offered by Jenny Frenzel, seconded by Julie Laitala, and carried by all in attendance to approve the first reading of policy SBR 500-40-1:Extracurricular Transportation MSBA 710.

Rescinding of Policies

SBR 500-20-1R:This is a procedure within the district and does not need to be in policy.

SBR 500-30-1R:This is an outdated procedure and is covered by SBR 500-30-1.
SBR 200-10-7R:This is an outdated procedure.

The motion was offered by Jenny Frenzel, seconded by Anna Manecke, and carried by all in attendance to rescind the above names policies.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Next School Board Meeting, December 16, 2024, 6:30 PM, District Office Board Room

Truth in Taxation Meeting, December 16, 2024, 6:00 p.m., District Office Board Room

OTHER

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Olson shared information about the district.

ADJOURNMENT

The motion was offered by Jenny Frenzel, seconded by Julie Laitala, and carried by all in attendance to adjourn the meeting. Time: 7:24 p.m.

Anna Manecke, Clerk

Date Approved

Dave Wall, Chair

Date Approved