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Invoice	INV-13613-L6B2Q3
Date	7/1/2025
Amount Due	\$11,297.00
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Purchase Order No.		
Quantity	Unit Price	Ext. Price
1	\$760.00	\$760.00
1	\$7,587.00	\$7,587.00
1	\$2,950.00	\$2,950.00
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Dues for your district are based on "Average Daily Membership of Students Served" for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024, as provided by the Minnesota Department of Education.

MSBA is not able to accept Credit, Debit, or Procurement Cards as a method of payment of your 2025-2026 Dues Invoice. Please remit payment of this invoice to MSBA by CHECK. Thank you for your cooperation.

In accordance with IRS Code Sec. 6113, contributions or gifts (including membership dues) to MSBA are not deductible as charitable contributions for Federal income tax purposes.

Subtotal	\$11,297.00
Total	\$11,297.00



Where Minnesota School Boards Learn to Lead

May 27, 2025

Dear Superintendent:

Thank you for your continued membership in the Minnesota School Boards Association. Our vision, "Strong School Boards, Stronger Minnesota," defines everything we do to strengthen our members and their ability to drive student success across the state of Minnesota.

MSBA is your Association.

- Our dedicated staff prides itself on anticipating your needs through engagement, analyzing national and state directives, working with other educational organizations, and providing workshops and webinars for our boards that provide you and your board members with the information and guidance you need.
- Your feedback and engagement have been helpful as we continue to implement our 2023-2027 Strategic
 Plan. We are continuing to evaluate, evolve, and improve what we are offering. Look for some exciting
 changes over the summer and into fall.
- Your MSBA staff is solution-driven. We will find the answer promptly or get you to someone with the
 answer. In all our interactions, we strive to build high-performing boards that can meet the expectations of
 your staff, students, and community.
- Legal and legislative advocacy are essential services to representing your voice at the state and federal
 levels. As a statewide organization, and a leading advocate for public education, we pride ourselves in
 finding a path forward that benefits all our school districts, regardless of shape and size.

Like you, we deeply care about the success of all Minnesota's public school students. We also understand strong board governance is a key component to driving this success. **Your success** is our success, and our Association is stronger when our members are stronger. A copy of the dues invoice is included with this letter. The original invoice will be mailed separately to your district office.

We wish you a successful 2025-2026 school year and hope to continue as your valued and trusted Association. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Kirk Schneidawind, Executive Director

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Your MSBA 2024 - 2025 At-A-Glance

MSBA is YOUR Association

The Minnesota School Boards Association mission articulates the value MSBA aspires to bring to our members. "MSBA supports and empowers Minnesota public school boards through policy, advocacy, and board development which positively impacts student success."

Our focus and commitment to local control and our belief in working collaboratively to strengthen relationships with school boards across the state allows us to leverage our collective strength to make a difference in public education.



Number of independent school district boards represented by MSBA.



Number of public school students represented by MSBA boards*.



Number of public school boards across the state of Minnesota represented by MSRA "Our strategic vision of building strong school boards for a stronger Minnesota will guide MSBA's efforts in our quest to ensure Minnesota's public schools deliver on their goals of student success."

Kirk Schneidawind MSBA Executive Director

MSBA is YOUR Resource

Board Development - Strategic Planning - Executive Search - Value Added Products and Services

MSBA is the **only** statewide organization in Minnesota providing board members and other key decision-makers with **training**, **workshops**, and other **key resources** developed by staff with many years of board and other public school service. The resources we design and offer our boards are meant to facilitate a **high-level of governance** to drive **student success**.



The number of workshops, webinars, and events offered by MSBA last year. From Erskine to St. Cloud, from Marshall to Minneapolis, or virtually on your own computer screen, MSBA offers flexibility in our workshops and events.



The number of attendees at our 2025 Leadership Conference. Where our members are getting up-to-date information sharing best practices. At **no cost** to MSBA members.

"The **Coffee and Conversation** series is a great space to connect with fellow board members from all districts across the state. We openly share our experiences, and most importantly, learn from each other. By hearing the challenges and questions that our fellow board members have, we can lean on each other to find solutions and best practices which ultimately helps us focus on what truly matters: the success of all of our students."

Hunter Feldt, Board Chair, Watertown-Mayer School District, MSBA Board Director



The number of phone calls and emails fielded by MSBA staff last year to answer questions and troubleshoot board and district issues across the state of Minnesota.



The number of boards who have participated in strategic planning and board self-evaluations through our strategic planning services during the 2024-2025 fiscal year.



The number of boards who utilized MSBA's Executive Search services during the 2024-2025 fiscal year.



The number of business connections and products accessible to the MSBA membership. These partnerships are designed to save boards time and money.



^{*}Pupil count most recent data available from the Minnesota Department of Education's Minnesota Education Statistics Summary.

MSBA is YOUR Policy Guide

MSBA is the **only organization** in the state of Minnesota to offer a comprehensive set of model policies for school boards. MSBA is considered the **gold standard and best practice** for policy development.

"Policy research and development is critically important to helping school districts support their students. Policies present school boards with a key opportunity to align the district's educational programs with its mission for public education in their communities. MSBA is committed to helping Minnesota school boards govern."

Dr. Terence Morrow, MSBA General Counsel



The number of sample policies and regulations available to boards and districts. The most comprehensive set of public school policies to guide boards in the state of Minnesota. MSBA updates policies as necessary in direct response to changes in state and federal law.



Number of policy questions fielded by MSBA's General Counsel.



Consulting with boards on policy challenges and working with boards on policy audits.



Providing up-to-date information and guidance in relevant federal and state statutes and laws.



Developing amicus curaie briefs to support school boards facing key legal challenges.

MSBA is YOUR Advocate

MSBA focuses its **advocacy** on **local control** and adequate funding for our districts. We work to ensure the **voice of our members** is heard on public education issues at the state and federal level and during the state budgetary process.

"Building MSBA's platform shows how our advocacy efforts directly shape education policy and funding. It's a chance to ensure the real needs of our schools are heard at the state level —and to see how our collective voice can protect and advance public education."

Deb Pauly, Board Chair, Jordan Public Schools



The number of board members from across the state that compose our annual Delegate Assembly. The Delegate Assembly ensures that MSBA reflects the needs and interests of boards statewide. Their action is the foundation for MSBA's legislative advocacy.



Number of meetings with legislators by MSBA's Government Relations Team



Number of attendees at MSBA / MASA Joint Day at the Capitol.



Number of Friday Chat Room attendees in 2024-2025.



MSBA launched our One Voice initiative to our member boards at our 2025 Leadership Conference. We are excited to continue to develop this initiative and use the collective power of our voices to support public education in Minnesota.

MSBA is YOUR Access

School board members, superintendents, and other district employees get access to MSBA's comprehensive publications and webinars keeping them informed of local, state and federal educational issues.

"As chair, my role is not to have all the answers, but to help us ask the right questions. That's precisely what the Board Chair chat does!"

> Milind Sohoni, Ph.D., Board Chair Wayzata Public Schools



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Pages of The Journal sent to members this year. Our bimonthly magazine that includes school features, exploration of leadership issues and in-depth stories on education trends.



Combined number of years of board and public-school experience on your MSBA staff.

