

School Board Minutes
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 191
August 14, 2025

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by Chair Werb at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was held at Diamondhead Education Center, 200 West Burnsville Parkway, Burnsville, MN, 55337.

Call to Order

Directors Alt, Anderson, Mikkelsen, Sachse, Hume, Chester and Chair Werb were present. Superintendent Dr. Latanya Daniels, administrators, staff and members of the public were also present.

Attendance

Chair Werb welcomed the audience and asked Director Anderson to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

Pledge of Allegiance

Moved by Hume, seconded by Sachse, to approve the agenda. The motion carried unanimously (7,0).

Agenda

Received a Student Performance and Achievement Committee: Literacy and READ Act Report from Imina Oftedahl, director of curriculum, instruction and assessment.

Reports

Received a report about the District Assessment Plan from Dr. Brandon Lowe, assessment, data and research coordinator.

Received a Student Handbook Update Report from Dr. Chris Bellmont, assistant superintendent.

Received a report from Dr. Latanya Daniels, superintendent.

Received board member reports from Director Chester and Chair Werb about Night to Unite and Director Alt about Night to Unite, the International Festival and the Career Exploration Event.

Moved by Chester, seconded by Mikkelsen, to approve the consent agenda:

-Approve the minutes for June 26, 2025

-Approve personnel recommendations for Ryan Mokandu, Amethyst Stegbauer, Jennifer Demetriades, Kristin Nelson, Courtney Landgrebe, Amanda Zakrzewski, Joanna Accola, Stefanie Snyder, Eva Grutzner, Noah Hillman, Maria Versaguis, Frank Toft, Mariana Pliego Cuautle, Julia DeMain, MaKayla Manning, Mickaylah Formanek, Amanda Cummings, Taylor McNulty, Devyn Pittorf, Jackson Robelia, Nichole Symons, Sara Bartholomew, Mauricio Zepeda, Abigail York, Hailey Sickler, Gretchen Hohrman, Brianna Inamagua, Lucy Yeliseyeva, Victoria Milos, Lucienne Goetsch, Kaitlyn Cook, Caden Skinner, Anna Dibley, Kern Wilson, Laura Solbrack, Maria Houck, Jennifer Anderson, Mercy Edmondson, Micheala Gallagher, Olivia Reitmeier, Donna Pfeiffer, Michelle Henderson, Margaret Challgren, Kristin Mains, Jennifer King, Holly Bueno, Amy Hansen, Kerry

Consent Agenda
Minutes
Personnel
Recommendation
Listening Session
Policies

Hoeschen, Roger Oie, Carolyn Potter-Merriman, Stephen Kraft, Tyrese Leverty, Nathaniel Grenke, Marielle Jenquin, Kathryn Nelson, Elsa Robles, Jeremy Lemus, Ryan Dugan, Brooke Robinson, Gina Marco, Andrei Santamaria, Marlene Bad Warrior, Mikaela Ruzicka, Lillian Carrick, Margarita Placencia Alvarez, Luis Encalada, Sanbonita West, Jeffrey Kunze-Hoeg, Cruz Barillas, Sarah Raichert, Andrea Torres Lara, Tracy Morales, Stephanie Kerber, Pollyanna Burns, Leah Lopez, Kristy Berge, Julia Krube, Conner Ohlhauser, Reese Moore, Paul McDevitt, Michelle Henderson, Matthew Schmeichel, Leah Lopez, Elizabeth Weilandgruber, Darlys Kienitz, Casey Powell, Burke Henderson, Brooke Reinhardt, Bahja Maye, Safa Ahmed, Mustafa Mohamed, Gina Lalbay, Harrison Easton, Luke Haddorf, Katie Woodcock.

- Receive report about listening session from June 26, 2026

-Approve, on a first and final reading, non-substantive changes to Policies 422: *Policies Incorporated by Reference* and 402: *Disability Nondiscrimination Policy*

-Approve, on a first and final reading, no changes to policies 401: *Equal Employment Opportunity*, 403: *Discipline, Suspension and Dismissal of School District Employees*, 408: *Subpoena of a School District Employee* and 805: *Waste Reduction and Recycling*

- Approve, on a second reading basis, regulations for policy 601: *School District Curriculum and Instruction Goals*

- Approve, on a second reading basis, changes to policy 413: *Harassment and Violence*

- Approve, on a first and final reading, non-substantive changes to policies 416: *Drug and Alcohol Testing*, 425: *Professional Development*; 613: *Graduation Requirements*, 620: *Credit for Learning*, and 624: *On-line Instruction*

The motion carried unanimously (7,0).

Moved by Anderson, seconded by Alt, to approve the 2025-2026 Athletic & Activities Handbook. The motion carried unanimously (7,0).

Athletic and
Activities
Handbook

Moved by Sachse, seconded by Anderson, to approve the Alpine Ski Cooperative Sponsorship Changes. The motion carried unanimously (7,0).

Alpine Ski
Cooperative

Moved by Chester, seconded by Hume, to approve 2025-2026 Student Handbook. The motion carried unanimously (7,0).

Student Handbook

Moved by Anderson, seconded by Mikkelsen, to approve, on a first reading basis, changes to policy 634: *Electronic Technologies Acceptable Use*. The motion carried unanimously (7,0).

Policy 634

Moved by Hume, seconded by Alt, to approve, on a first reading basis, changes to policy 524: *Personal Electronic Communication Devices Including Cell Phone*. The motion carried unanimously (7,0).

Policy 524

Moved by Anderson, seconded by Mikkelsen, to approve on a first reading basis, new regulations for 524: *Personal Electronic Communication*

Regulation for
Policy 524

Devices Including Cell Phone. The motion carried unanimously (7,0).

Moved by Sachse, seconded by Hume, to approve the Joint Powers Agreement for Interagency Early Intervention Services. The motion carried unanimously (7,0).

Moved by Werb, seconded by Alt, to move to a recess. at 7:50 p.m. The board returned to the dais at 8:13 p.m. to begin the work session.

Work Session was held to discuss the board planning document, Policy 206: Listening Session Protocols and Guidelines and the Superintendent Goals for the 2025-2026 School Year.

Moved by Chester, seconded by Anderson, to move to a closed session, as permitted by Minnesota Statutes Section 13D.03 to Discuss Labor Negotiations Strategy.

The closed session began at 8:46pm, present at the session were Directors Alt, Anderson, Mikkelsen, Sachse, Hume, Chester, Chair Werb, Superintendent Dr. Latanya Daniels, Assistant Superintendent Dr. Chris Bellmont, Executive Director of Administrative Services Stacey Sovine, and Director of Communications Aaron Tinklenberg.

The closed session ended at 8:54pm.

Having no further agenda items, Chair Werb adjourned the meeting at 8:54 p.m.

/s/
Scott Hume, Clerk

8/28/2025
Date Approved

JPA Interagency
Early Intervention
Services

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Work Session:
Board Planning
Listening Session
Supt. Goals

Closed Session
Labor Negotiation
Strategy

Adjourn