

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #656  
District Policy Committee Meeting  
April 7, 2026 - 3:45 pm  
Faribault Public Schools  
710 17th Street SW  
Faribault, MN 55021

MINUTES

Members present: Jamie Bente, Casie Steeves, Tara Luettel, Linda Moore, Nick Jurrens, Nate Molitor, and Wendy Susen. Absent: Natalie Fashant. Others in attendance: Jami Kenney and Mike Berding.

I. The meeting was called to order by Superintendent Bente at 3:45 p.m.

- A. Determination of a quorum
- B. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Moved by Tara Luettel, seconded by Casie Steeves, to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0.

III. Review of Policies

A. Moved by Nick Jurrens, seconded by Wendy Susen, to approve sending Policy 608: Instructional Services – Special Education to the school board with no changes. The motion passed unanimously after discussion, 7-0.

B. Moved by Tara Luettel, seconded by Nate Molitor, to approve sending Policy 612.1: Development of Parent Involvement Policies for Title I Programs to the school board with no changes. The motion passed after discussion, 6-1 (Bente, Steeves, Luettel, Jurrens, Molitor, and Susen voting in favor; Moore voting against).

- Description: This is a mandatory policy.

C. Moved by Nick Jurrens, seconded by Tara Luettel, to approve sending Policy 704.1: Development and Maintenance of an Inventory of Capital Leases and Software-Based Information Technology Agreements (SBITA'S) to the school board with no changes. The motion passed unanimously after discussion, 7-0.

IV. Revision of Policies

A. Moved by Wendy Susen, seconded by Nick Jurrens, to approve sending revisions to Policy 427: Workload Limits for Certain Special Education Teachers to the school board. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0.

- Description: This is a mandatory policy.
- MSBA: Updates "indirect services" definition in Art. II.B

B. Moved by Nate Molitor, seconded by Tara Luettel, to approve sending revisions to Policy 515: Protection and Privacy of Pupil Records to the school board. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0.

- Description: This is a mandatory policy.
- MSBA: Updates immunization record information in Art.VI.B.16 to reflect MN Health and Human Services guidance; Resources added.

C. Moved by Wendy Susen, seconded by Nick Jurrens, to approve sending revisions to Policy 530: Immunization Requirements to the school board. The motion passed after discussion, 6-1 (Bente, Steeves, Luettel, Jurrens, Molitor, and Susen voting in favor; Moore voting against).

- Description: MSBA: Updates Art. VI.B to reflect MN Health and Human Services guidance; Resources added.

D. Moved by Tara Luettel, seconded by Casie Steeves, to approve sending Policy 615: Testing Accommodations, Modifications, and Exemptions for IEP's, Section 504 Plans, and LEP Students to the school board. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0.

- Description: MSBA: Aligns policy with transition to Alt MCA requirements

E. Moved by Nate Molitor, seconded by Wendy Susen, to approve sending revisions to Policy 618: Assessment of Student Achievement to the school board. The motion passed after discussion, 6-1 (Bente, Steeves, Luettel, Jurrens, Molitor, and Susen voting in favor; Moore voting against).

- Description: MSBA: Aligns Definitions and other provisions with current MN Law

#### V. New Policies

A. Moved by Tara Luettel, seconded by Nick Jurrens, to approve sending the new MSBA Policy 625: Responsible Use of Artificial Intelligence to the school board. The motion passed unanimously after discussion, 7-0.

#### VI. Next Meeting: June 2, 2026

VII. Moved by Wendy Susen, seconded by Casie Steeves, to adjourn the meeting at 4:24 p.m.

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Jami Kenney