

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 273  
OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION OF MAY 11, 2026

WORK SESSION  
5:00 PM

Edina Community Center  
ECC 350

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

ABSENT:

Ms. Erica Allenburg  
Mr. Dan Arom  
Ms. Cheryl Barry  
Mr. Michael Birdman  
Ms. Karen Gabler  
Mr. Elliot Mann

Ms. Jennifer Huwe

PRESIDING OFFICER: Chair Karen Gabler

5:01 PM - 6:49 PM

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Daniel Bittman, Superintendent  
Dr. Frannie Becquer, Director of Achievement Equity and Multilingual Learner Programming  
Jody De St. Hubert, Director of Teaching and Learning  
Daphne Edwards, Director of Marketing and Communications  
Dr. Anne Marie Leland, Director of Community Education and Strategic Partnerships  
Sonya Sailer, Executive Director of Human Resources  
Nate Swenson, Assistant Superintendent  
Mert Woodard, Director of Finance and Operations

Paul Paetzel, Principal, Edina High School

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Ms. Karen Gabler, Chair

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Ms. Erica Allenburg, Clerk

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OF THE SCHOOL BOARD DISTRICT 273 EDINA, MINNESOTA  
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APPROVAL OF AGENDA

DISCUSSION

- A. Executive Summary - A Strategic Plan for Safety and Security
- B. A Strategic Plan for the Future of Edina High School - Recommendations
- C. Draft student handbooks for 2026-2027

LEADERSHIP AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

SUPERINTENDENT'S UPDATES

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:49 PM. The minutes and resolutions are open to public inspection on the district website, and on file at the district office, 5701 Normandale Road.

Ms. Karen Gabler, Chair

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Member Arom moved and Member Allenburg seconded to approve the agenda. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION

Executive Summary - A Strategic Plan for Safety and Security: Superintendent Bittman shared an overview of district-wide safety and security efforts, including information from the Safety and Security Task Force's work, key findings, and recommendations.

A Strategic Plan for the Future of Edina High School - Recommendations: Administrators shared recommendations from the year-long redesign process at Edina High School.

Draft student handbooks for 2026-2027: Draft student handbooks for the 2026-2027 school year were discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:49 PM, Member Mann moved and Member Arom seconded to adjourn the meeting. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.