

Minutes
School Board Business Meeting
Fridley Independent School District 14
December 16, 2025

Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance

Board Chair Karnopp called the Business Meeting of the Fridley School Board to order at 7:30 PM on Tuesday, December 16, 2025, at the Fridley Community Center. The following Board members were present in the room: Nikki Auna, Sara Jones, Jake Karnopp, Ross Meisner, Sara Schreiner, Avonna Starck and Student representative Malik Bah
Absent: Student representative Aiyanna Shobe

Approval of the Agenda with Suggested Motions and Resolutions

Motion by Meisner, seconded by Auna, to approve the agenda for December 16, 2025. Upon vote being taken, all voted in favor, none against, none abstained. Motion carried 6-0.

Superintendent and Staff Reports

A. Superintendent Report

Superintendent Lewis and Board Members thanked Mr. Ross Meisner for his service on the Fridley School Board; Superintendent Lewis spoke about the Community Ed / Fridley Lions Holiday Luncheon at Banquets of MN, the AVID National Conference, upcoming Anoka County Construction projects, gave an audit update and discussed the FPS Board Resolution on safety for all students; Board Member Jones gave an update on NE Metro 916 and the MSBA Delegate Assembly; Board Vice Chair Auna spoke on the SAFF meeting and SAFF Day at the Capital on March 18, 2026.

Business Action Items

A. **RESOLUTION: Relating to the Proposed Purchase of Property in the City of Fridley, MN**

Motion by Starck, seconded by Jones to approve the resolution relating to the proposed purchase of property in the City of Fridley, MN. Upon roll call vote being taken all voted in favor, none against, none abstained. Motion carried 6-0.

B. **RESOLUTION Stating the Intention of the School District to Issue General Obligation Aid Anticipation Certificates of Indebtedness, Series 2026A, in the Aggregate Principal Amount Not to Exceed \$11,500,000**

Motion by Meisner, seconded by Auna to approve the resolution. Upon roll call vote being taken all voted in favor, none against, none abstained. Motion carried 6-0.

C. Motion: Tax Levy Final Certification of Pay 26 Levy

Motion by Meisner, seconded by Schreiner to approve the Tax Levy Final Certification of Pay 26 Levy. Upon the vote being taken all voted in favor, none against, none abstained. Motion carried 6-0.

D. RESOLUTION: Fridley Public Schools Board of Education Resolution Affirming Student Safety, Legal Compliance and Belonging.

Motion by Schreiner, seconded by Starck to approve the FPS Resolution affirming student safety, legal compliance and belonging.Upon roll call vote being taken all voted in favor, none against, none abstained. Motion carried 6-0.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Jones, seconded by Starck to approve the consent agenda including minutes of the business meeting held on November 18, 2025; New Contracts, Amendments, Leaves of Absence, Resignations, Retirements and Terminations. Upon vote being taken all voted in favor, none against, none abstained. Motion carried 6-0.

Important Future School Board Dates

- a. FHS Holiday Spectacular Concert
December 18, 2025 - 7:00 PM
District Auditorium

- b. No School - Winter Break
December 22-January 2, 2026
District offices closed Dec 24, 25, 31 & January 1
Classes resume January 5, 2026

- c. Free Family Movie Night - Sonic the Hedgehog 3
January 9, 2026 7:00 PM
District Auditorium

- d. Youth in Government Conference
January 9-11, 2026
Minneapolis/St. Paul

- e. VISTA Family Fun Night
January 14, 2026 5:00PM
VISTA Elementary

- f. Earning College Credit at FHS Night
January 14, 2026 6:00 PM

Fridley High School

- g. No School - District Holiday
January 19, 2026
- h. Fridley Public Schools School Board Meeting
January 20, 2026
Fridley Community Center
5:30 PM Work Session
7:00 PM Public Forum
7:30 PM Business Meeting

Adjournment

Motion by Meisner, seconded by Starck to adjourn the meeting at 8:24 PM. Upon vote being taken all voted in favor, none against, none abstained. Motion carried 6-0.

Jake Karnopp, Board Chair

Avonna Starck, Board Clerk