

The regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District #363 was held at the Northome School on Wednesday, January 8, 2025.

The meeting was called to order by Clerk Malisa Schue at 7:01 p.m.

Roll call by Malisa Schue:

Scott Mai	Brian Dreher
Emily Lindley	Vickie Hasbargen
Malisa Schue	Jeremy Tammi, Superintendent
Jake Hasbargen	

Pledge of Allegiance

Moved by Brian Dreher, seconded by Scott Mai to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Brian Dreher, seconded by Emily Lindley to approve the addendum item(s) – 13.a) Approve District Policy 705 Revision - School Meals Policy. Motion carried unanimously.

Member Jake Hasbargen nominated Vickie Hasbargen for Chairperson. A roll call vote was made by Malisa Schue. Scott Mai, Vickie Hasbargen and Jake Hasbargen voted in favor. Emily Lindley, Brian Dreher and Malisa Schue voted not in favor. Nomination did not carry with a 3-3 tie vote.

Member Emily Lindley nominated Brian Dreher for Chairperson. A roll call vote was made by Malisa Schue. Brian Dreher, Malisa Schue and Brian Dreher voted in favor. Scott Mai, Vickie Hasbargen and Jake Hasbargen voted not in favor. Nomination did not carry with a 3-3 tie vote.

Moved by Jake Hasbargen, seconded by Brian Dreher to approve the opening of the nomination for Chairperson.

Member Scott Mai nominated Vickie Hasbargen for Chairperson. A roll call vote was made by Malisa Schue. Jake Hasbargen and Scott Mai voted in favor. Brian Dreher, Vickie Hasbargen, Emily Lindley and Malisa Schue voted not in favor. Nomination did not carry with a 4-2 vote against.

Member Emily Lindley nominated Brian Dreher for Chairperson. A roll call vote was made by Malisa Schue. Brian Dreher, Vickie Hasbargen, Emily Lindley and Malisa Schue voted in favor. Jake Hasbargen and Scott Mai voted not in favor. Nomination carried with a 4-2 vote in favor of.

Member Malisa Schue nominated Vickie Hasbargen for Vice-Chairperson and Vickie Hasbargen was appointed as Vice-Chairperson by acclamation.

Member Emily Lindley nominated Malisa Schue for Clerk and Scott Mai nominated Emily Lindley for Clerk. Emily Lindley declined and Malisa Schue was appointed as Clerk by acclamation.

Member Brian Dreher nominated Emily Lindley for Treasurer and Emily Lindley was appointed as Treasurer by acclamation.

Chairperson Brian Dreher appointed board members to committees as follows:

Community Education	Malisa Schue and Vickie Hasbargen
MN State High School League	Scott Mai and Emily Lindley
Vo-Ag Advisory Committee	Brian Dreher and Scott Mai
Continuing Ed Committee	Malisa Schue and Vickie Hasbargen
B.R.I.C.	Brian Dreher and Jake Hasbargen
Employee Interview Committee	Emily Lindley and Brian Dreher
North Country Vocation Coop	Scott Mai
Negotiators	Emily Lindley and Vickie Hasbargen
MSBA Legislative Liaison	Vickie Hasbargen

Northome Scholarship Committee	Malisa Schue
Kelliher Athletic Coop Representative	Emily Lindley
Meet & Confer - Northome	School Board Members
Indus Scholarship Committee	Scott Mai and Jake Hasbargen
Indus Campus Committee	Vickie Hasbargen, Jake Hasbargen, Emily Lindley

Moved by Scott Mai, seconded by Malisa Schue to schedule the regular monthly meetings of South Koochiching/Rainy River ISD #363 on the third Wednesday of every month with the meetings beginning at 7:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Jake Hasbargen, seconded by Scott Mai to set the School Board reimbursements rate at \$120.00 for Chairperson, \$120.00 for Treasurer, \$95.00 for Clerk, \$50.00 for Directors and \$50.00 per meeting for traveling board members. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Scott Mai, seconded by Vickie Hasbargen to set the mileage reimbursement for use of a personal vehicle for school district business when: NO school vehicle is available for the trip at .70 per mile; and at .25 per mile when an employee chooses to use their own vehicle even though a school vehicle IS available. These rates become effective on 1/1/2025. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Malisa Schue, seconded by Emily Lindley to designate Deerwood Bank as the depositories for District 363 funds. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Emily Lindley, seconded by Malisa Schue to designate the law firm of Knutson, Flynn and Deans as the Districts representative of law. Brian Dreher, Malisa Schue, Emily Lindley and Scot Mai voted in favor. Vickie Hasbargen and Jake Hasbargen voted not in favor. Motion carried with a 4-2 vote in favor of.

Moved by Jake Hasbargen, seconded by Scott Mai to designate the Rainy Lake Gazette as the official newspaper for the District. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Emily Lindley, seconded by Scott Mai to approve the minutes, as presented, of the Truth in Taxation meeting of December 11, 2024 and regular meeting of December 11, 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

Recognition of Visitors / Public Comments: Alissa Carlson

Moved by Emily Lindley, seconded by Malisa Schue to approve the financial reports as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Scott Mai, seconded by Vickie Hasbargen to approve the District payment of: \$324,716.77 for Accounts Payable invoices and \$4,644.70 for Extra Payroll on 12/30/24 and \$1,461.34 for Extra Payroll on 1/15/25, as presented, for the month. Motion carried unanimously.

Check	Vendor	Amount
	BANK OF MONTREAL	\$ 19,591.74
92293	ALL SEASON EQUIPMENT, INC	\$ 211.11
92294	BEAR COUNTRY CHRONICLES	\$ 235.00
92295	BEMIDJI SEWER & WATERWORKS	\$ 275.00
92296	BOND TRUST SERVICES CORP	\$ 194,400.00
92297	CENTRAL MCGOWAN INC	\$ 28.07
92298	CENTURY LINK	\$ 207.92
92299	EHLERS AND ASSOCIATES, INC	\$ 675.00
92300	EPS	\$ 594.00
92301	FERRELLGAS	\$ 675.27
92302	FISHER PETROLEUM	\$ 14.99
92303	FRONTIER	\$ 88.79
92304	HILL'S PLUMBING & HEATING	\$ 345.00
92305	INTERQUEST DETECTION CANINES	\$ 440.00
92306	ITA BEL KOO D A C	\$ 526.58
92307	KOOCHICHING COUNTY AUD/TREAS	\$ 4,528.00

92308	MAGGERT TRANSPORTATION INC.	\$	56,841.41
92309	MARCO, INC	\$	1,230.79
92310	NAPA AUTO PARTS	\$	10.48
92311	NAYLOR HEATING & REFRIGERATION	\$	1,094.37
92312	NORTH ITASCA ELECTRIC COOP.	\$	8,166.81
92313	NORTH STAR ELECTRIC COOP	\$	11,291.97
92314	NORTHDALE OIL, INC	\$	273.53
92315	NORTHHOME GROCERY	\$	361.41
92316	NORTHHOME LUMBER PLUS	\$	80.14
92317	NORTHHOME RENTAL & HDWR, INC	\$	196.18
92318	NORTHHOME SCHOOL PETTY CASH	\$	1,971.20
92319	NORTHHOME, CITY OF	\$	250.00
92320	NORTHWEST SERVICE COOP.	\$	1,196.75
92321	NORTHWOODS LUMBER CO	\$	15.16
92322	NW-LINKS	\$	1,800.00
92323	OLSON PLUMBING LLC	\$	558.50
92324	OTIS ELEVATOR COMPANY	\$	1,592.40
92325	PAUL BUNYAN COMMUNICATIONS	\$	258.95
92326	PERFORMANCE FOODSERVICE -TWIN CITIES	\$	7,153.20
92327	READING & MATH, INC	\$	1,500.00
92328	REGION 1	\$	2,984.72
92329	SANDSTROM'S	\$	740.00
92330	SEPTIC CHECK	\$	364.00
92331	TRUE NORTH HEATING & COOLING, LLC	\$	947.89
92332	US FOODSERVICE INC TM	\$	1,000.44
Total		\$	<u>324,716.77</u>

Extra Payroll: Paid: December 30, 2024

Adegun, Nikki	Christmas Concert	\$50.00
Arhart, Gracie	Sub Teacher	\$885.70
Bender, Amber	Christmas Concert	\$50.00
Bohne, Raymond	Sub Teacher	\$160.00
Dietrich, Chazlynn	Tutor Mentor	\$70.00
Elhard, Colleen	Sub Teacher	\$421.41
Fisher, Kaylee	BBB Game Supervisor	\$150.00
Jourdan, Doug	Truth in Taxation & Regular Board Meeting	\$240.00
Katchmark, Katelin	Training & Mileage	\$264.53
Lewis, Ralph	Mileage, Truth in Taxation & Regular Board Meeting	\$220.60
Lindley, Emily	Truth in Taxation & Regular Board Meeting	\$100.00
Lundin, Christine	PSIB Supplies	\$39.70
Maggert, Travis	Snow Plowing	\$500.00
Mai, Scott	Truth in Taxation & Regular Board Meeting	\$100.00
Molnar, Anastasia	Sub During Prep	\$30.00
Olson, Miranda	Christmas Concert	\$50.00
Robson, Tonya	Christmas Concert	\$50.00
Rygg, Sarah	DAPE Teacher	\$100.00
Schue, Malisa	Trainings, Truth in Taxation & Regular Board Meeting	\$259.52
Sears, Taylor	Sub Teacher	\$28.57
Shaughnessy, Gayle	Christmas Concert	\$50.00
Skoe, Jamie	Preschool & Para Sub	\$337.50
Stueven, Bob	Truth in Taxation & Regular Board Meeting	\$240.00
Tammi, Jeremy	DOT Physical Reimbursement	\$90.00
Trisko, Juleen	Concessions Supervisor	\$50.00
Van Beusekom, Lauren	Christmas Concert	\$50.00
Waller, Marti	Christmas Concert	\$50.00
Wickum, Elizabeth	Classroom Supplies	\$7.17

Total	\$4,644.70
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Extra Payroll: Paid: January 15, 2024

Arhart, Gracie	Sub Teacher	\$400.00
Elhard, Colleen	Sub Teacher & Meeting	\$180.84
Fisher, Kaylee	BBB Game Supervisor	\$75.00
Groesbeck, Michael	Sub Teacher	\$160.00
Molnar, Anastasia	Sub During Prep	\$60.00
Naughton, Erica	Sub Teacher	\$160.00
Peterson, Amber	Snow Plowing & Maintenance	\$175.00
Schneider, James	BBB Concesions Supervisor & Tutor Mentor	\$120.00
Skoe, Jamie	Sub Para	\$130.50
Total		\$1,461.34

Moved by Emily Lindley, seconded by Scott Mai to accept the donations from Back 40 Builders for \$500.00 for Robotics, Ridge Runners Snowmobile Club for \$380.00 for Art’s Trip to Duluth, Judy Garland Children’s Museum for \$305.00 for Art’s Trip to Duluth and Stanley Hubbard for \$5,000.00 for Help Shelf. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Malisa Schue, seconded by Scott Mai to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Emily Lindley, seconded by Scott Mai to approve the Resignation of Special Education Paraeducator of Becky Kallio. Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Malisa Schue, seconded by Emily Lindley to approve District Policy 705 Revision - School Meals Policy. Motion carried unanimously.

Financial Report: None.

Northome Principal’s Report: The Mindset of the Month is Joy. Having a mindset of joy means choosing to focus on the positive, even when challenges arise. For students, this mindset can make a big difference in how you approach school each day. It’s about finding happiness in learning, making new friends, and growing through every experience—big or small. When you bring joy into your school life, it not only helps you feel better but can also inspire those around you. Remember, joy isn’t about being perfect, it’s about embracing the journey and celebrating each step along the way!

Yesterday and today, Samantha and I traveled to Rainier to attend Crisis Management for School-Based Incidents training that was taught by Homeland Security and FEMA. It focused on all aspects of a crisis and how to appropriately plan and respond in different situations. It was a lot of information and have a number of different ideas to share with the rest of the team. I am looking forward to getting plans into action to ensure that we have top notch safety plans in place for our students. I hope to share more in a few weeks. NWEA Map Testing is scheduled for the weeks of January 13th and 20th. Both math and reading will be assessed for students in grades Kindergarten through 8. This will provide us with updated data to plan our instruction and interventions around. We have a few different presentations coming up; On January 15th, a presentation on the risks of Gaming and Gambling will be presented to students in grades 6-12 from a Community Educator with the Minnesota Alliance on Problem Gambling out of St. Paul. On the 16th, Terrence Talley will be here to lead an assembly on having hope and sharing hope with others. Terrance was here 5 years ago and did a fabulous job connecting with students and staff. We are excited to have him back! Winter Homecoming is scheduled for the last week of January. Student Council has chosen the theme of Homecoming Hoedown with many activities and events to keep students and staff engaged and active that week.

The Golden Apple Winner for the month of December is Mrs. Fontana! Mrs. Fontana goes above and beyond in everything that she chooses to do. Whether it is helping a student with homework, helping multiple students at once, decorating classrooms that are boring, or coordinating awesome school-wide activities, Mrs. Fontana does it all! She is dedicated to ALL of our students and consistently prioritizes the needs of our students. Her classroom is welcoming and students feel comfortable going to her for help or advice. Mrs. Fontana’s passion for teaching and her genuine care for her students and staff, make her an exceptional teacher. Above all, she does everything with a smile on her face (and it is almost impossible to not smile when you hear her contagious laugh!) We’re so grateful for Mrs. Fontana and all the wonderful things she does for our school!

Board Report: None.

Superintendent's Report: I want to welcome all new and current members to ISD #363 School Board. Please feel free to reach out with any questions or concerns you may have. A lot of times I will reply to all board members if one member asks a question. Oftentimes, if one board member has a question, it is more than likely that others do as well. My primary job and responsibility is to oversee the daily operations of the school district and I work on behalf of the school board as a whole. I do ask that if board members receive any questions, complaints and/or concerns to please direct those folks to me so I am able to assist them. There might be times that a citizen may not like the answer they hear from me and they will say that they are going to contact a board member. I will let them know that is well within their right and I immediately connect with the board member to fill them in on what is happening so they are not caught by surprise. I look forward to working with all of you and know that I can be reached 24/7 via my cell phone. Do not hesitate to reach out if I can be of assistance.

The next regular monthly board meeting will be held on February 19, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. at Northome School. A work session will be held on February 19, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. at Northome School.

Moved by Vickie Hasbargen, seconded by Scott Mai to adjourn at 8:49 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Brian Dreher, Chairperson

Malisa Schue, Clerk

Emily Lindley, Treasurer