

## **Minutes of Special Meeting**

Board of Education Badger ISD 676

PO Box 68, 110 Carpenter Avenue East, Badger, Minnesota 56714

Monday, March 9, 2026, at 6:00 P.M. in the Business & Tech Room 29

### 1. Call to Order: Board Chair Isane called the meeting to order at 6:01 P.M.

1.A. Pledge of Allegiance

1.B. Roll Call

Present: Jodie Davy, Cari Dostal, Jamie Isane, Brent Olson, Jeremy Swenson, Jared VonEnde

1.C. Administration and Department Heads:

Present: Daniel Carpenter, Stacey Warne, Leah Hasson, Ben Evans, Tom Dostal

1.D. Student Representative:

Open for 2025-2026 School Year

### 2. Visitor Recognition:

Visitors in Attendance: Julia Braaten, Gretchen Lee, Carol Ricke

2.A. Listening Session

No Participants

### 3. Recommendation to add and/or remove items to the agenda by Board Members or School Administrators

NONE

### 4. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Member Dostal and seconded by Member Davy to approve the agenda for the March 9, 2026, Special School Board Meeting as presented.

BE IT RESOLVED the motion carries by a 6 Yes to 0 No vote **U.C.**

### 5. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

5.A. A motion was made by Member VonEnde and seconded by Member Olson to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on Wednesday, February 11, 2026, as presented.

BE IT RESOLVED the motion carries by a 6 Yes to 0 No vote **U.C.**

### 6. Consent Agenda

6.A. A motion was made by Member Swenson and seconded by Member VonEnde to approve the payment of bills check #65232 through check #65287 for a total of \$152,434.35 as listed as well as approve Purchasing Card electronic payments from the statement dated February 27, 2026, and Electronic Fund Transfers as submitted.

BE IT RESOLVED the motion carries by a 6 Yes to 0 No vote **U.C.**

6.B. A motion was made by Member Olson, seconded by Member Dostal to accept the resignation of Aidan Arnold as Afternoon and Evening Lead Custodian effective at the end of the day Monday, February 23, 2026.

BE IT RESOLVEWD, the motion carries by a 6 Yes to 0 No vote. **U.C.**

### 7. Communications

7.A. Building and Grounds Report

Buildings and Grounds Supervisor Evans reported on the following items:

- The walk in cooler was serviced today to fix a problem with refrigerated food items freezing due to temps dropping too low.
- A new strike plate for the elementary entrance will be installed later this week.
- Ice has been removed from the front of the building.

### 7.B. Dean of Students Report

Dean of Students Stacey Warne reported on the following items:

- March 6, 2026 K-12 enrollment is 204;
- MCA testing will begin on March 10, 2026;
- The 2026 Music Revue performances are being held on March 19 and 20. The performances are directed by Sara Carpenter and Becky Dahlgren;
- Spring sports update;
- Attendance information email sent to parents on February 24.

### 7.C. Superintendent Report

Superintendent Carpenter reported on the following items:

- The building project kickoff meeting with ICS, Foss Architecture, and CTMA Engineering was held on March 5. Representatives from these organizations will be in the build in the afternoon of March 20 to examine areas that will be addressed in the upcoming project;
- The hiring of the Afternoon and Evening Custodian is on the agenda for consideration tonight;
- Mr. Carpenter reported on technical updates to board policies that require no action to update;
- Mr. Carpenter reported on updates to board policies that require action later in the agenda;
- Policy 625 regarding the use of AI in schools is on the agenda for a first reading tonight;
- A leave of absence for the 2026-2027 school year is on the agenda for consideration;
- An update regarding Badger School's decision to suspend participation in the D.A.R.E. program was given. Mr. Carpenter publicly presented the email that was sent to parents on February 27, 2026 announcing the decision to suspend participation in the program;
- Information was given regarding funding for Fiscal Year 2027. The per pupil funding formula will increase by 2.69%. Mr. Carpenter also presented preliminary information regarding compensatory funding for Fiscal Year 2027.
- Transportation Director Dostal provided an update on the recent MNDOT vehicle inspection results and the current status of the vehicle fleet. All vehicles in use by the school district are in compliance with DOT regulations.

## 8. Reports

8.A. A motion was made by Member Swenson and seconded by Member Davy to accept the Cash Report through February 28, 2026, subject to audit.

BE IT RESOLVED the motion carries by a 6 Yes to 0 No vote **U.C.**

8.B. A motion was made by Member VonEnde and seconded by Member Olson to adopt the RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT DONATIONS BADGER ISD #676 FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2026: \$3224.00 to General Fund from Wikstrom Telephone Company; \$15.00 to the Library from Anonymous Donor.

BE IT RESOLVED, the motion carries by a 6 Yes to 0 No vote. **U.C.**

## 9. Old Business

None

## 10. New Business

10.A. A motion was made by Member Dostal and seconded by Member Davy to approve the hire of Ethan Walsh as a full-time 40 hours per week, twelve-month Afternoon and Evening Custodian, contingent upon completion of pre-employment criminal history background check, with placement on the Non-Certified Staff Agreement Salary Schedule of Step 4 (\$16.50 per hour), with a start date of March 13, 2026.

BE IT RESOLVED, the motion carries by a 6 Yes to 0 No vote. **U.C.**

10.B. A motion was made by Member Swenson and seconded by Member Davy to approve the updates and changes to Badger School District Policies 410, 503, 511, 530, 615, and 701 as presented.

BE IT RESOLVED, the motion carries by a 6 Yes to 0 No vote. **U.C.**

10.C. A motion was made by Member Swenson and seconded by Member Dostal to postpone consideration of the updates and changes to Badger School District Policy 721 until the next regular meeting on April 8, 2026.

BE IT RESOLVED, the motion carries by a 6 Yes to 0 No vote. **U.C.**

10.D. A motion was made by Member Davy and seconded by Member Dostal to approve the first reading of the following board policies as presented: 625.

BE IT RESOLVED, the motion carries by a 6 Yes to 0 No vote. **U.C.**

10.E. A motion was made by Member Swenson and seconded by Member Davy to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with the Badger Education Association of Teachers regarding a one-year medical leave of absence with Heidi Warne, effective from July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027.

BE IT RESOLVED, the motion carries by a 6 Yes to 0 No vote. **U.C.**

10.F. A motion was made by Member VonEnde and seconded by Member Olson to appoint Member Swenson and Member Davy to serve on the Project Oversight Committee for the Summer 2027 building renovation project.

BE IT RESOLVED, the motion carries by a 6 Yes to 0 No vote. **U.C.**

11. Adjourn

A motion was made by Member Davy and seconded by Member VonEnde to adjourn the meeting at 7:19 P.M.

BE IT RESOLVED the motion carries by a 6 Yes to 0 No vote **U.C.**

Cari Dostal, Clerk

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Jamie Isane, Chairperson

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