



**School Board Regular Meeting
Monday, December 8, 2025; 7:00 PM
ECC Room 349**

- I. Determination of Quorum and Call to Order**
- II. Approval of Agenda**
- III. Excellence in Action**

Meeting Recessed

- **Truth in Taxation Public Hearing**
Presenter: Mert Woodard, Director of Finance and Operations

Meeting Resumed

IV. Hearing from Members of the Public

V. Consent Agenda

- A. Minutes: *November 10 work session and regular meeting; November 18 work session*
- B. Personnel Recommendations
- C. Check Register - November 2025
- D. Electronic Fund Transfers - November 2025
- E. Gifts and Bequests - November 2025
- F. Facility Rental Fees - Fiscal Year 2027
- G. Kids Club Fees - Fiscal Year 2027
- H. Board Holiday Letter

VI. Discussion

- A. Legislative Action Committee (LAC) Update and Platform Discussion
Description: The School Board approved board goals for the 2025-26 school year that include legislative advocacy as a priority. This work aligns with advocacy priorities outlined in the district's strategic plan.
Presenter(s): Dan Arom, Chair, Legislative Action Committee; and Michael Birdman, Board Member
- B. Audited Financial Statements – Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2025

NOTE: School Board members may participate by interactive technology
as permitted by Minnesota Statute 13D.02

Description: Pursuant to state statute, each public school district in Minnesota must, by December 31 of each year, submit to the Minnesota Department of Education and to the Office of the State Auditor audited financial statements for the preceding fiscal year. The District's annual audit for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2025, was performed by audit firm LB Carlson.

Presenter(s): Mert Woodard, Director of Finance and Operations; and Bill Lauer, CPA (LB Carlson)

C. International Travel Proposed Change to the Approval Process

Description: In alignment with Edina School Board Policy 538, all international travel experiences require formal approval by the School Board. Over the past three years, the Board and administration have strengthened the approval process through the adoption of a comprehensive pre-approval checklist and multi-level review system. This process is completed prior to any item coming to the Board and requires documented sign-off by the travel experience lead, the building administrator, the Director of Teaching and Learning, and the Superintendent.

Presenter(s): Jody De St. Hubert, Director of Teaching and Learning

D. 2026-2027 Courses General Add / Change Recommendations

Description: As part of our continuous improvement efforts, each year the Teaching and Learning department brings forth proposals for new courses and recommendations for changes to courses for School Board review. These proposals and recommendations are generated by district and building staff, reviewed and refined through a collaborative process and presented to the school board for discussion and approval.

Presenter(s): Jody De St. Hubert, Director of Teaching and Learning; Bethany Van Osdel, Assistant Director of Teaching and Learning; and Mark Carlson, K-12 Science and Mathematics Coordinator

E. Concord Flood Risk Reduction Infrastructure Project Update

Description: The District administration continues to evaluate the City of Edina's request to construct a regional stormwater retention facility on the South View/Concord campus (McCarthy Field).

Presenter(s): Mert Woodard, Director of Finance and Operations

F. Policy Review (305)

Description: This policy was reviewed with an eye toward clarity and alignment with District practice and state and federal statutes.

Presenter(s): Board Policy Committee

VII. Action

A. Audited Financial Statements & Assigned Fund Balances – Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2025

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Presenter(s): Mert Woodard, Director of Finance and Operations

Recommendation: Accept and approve the audit reports and approve the District administration's recommended General Fund assigned fund balances.

B. Certification of Property Taxes Payable in 2026

Description: The District administration recommends the certification of property taxes payable in 2026 in the amount of \$79,360,186.67. This amount represents a \$3,412,020.90 increase or 4.49%, over taxes payable in 2025, while the taxable market value of properties within the District's boundaries have grown by an estimated 2.58%.

Presenter(s): Mert Woodard, Director of Finance and Operations

Recommendation: Approve and certify the maximum allowable levy amount of \$75,948,165.77 and authorize the Board Clerk to execute the final 2026 property tax levy for Independent School District No. 273 before submission to the Hennepin County Auditor and Minnesota Department of Education.

C. City of Edina Request – TIF District Extension

Description: The City of Edina is requesting District consent to apply 2025 special legislation that extends two existing Tax Increment Financing (TIF) districts: 70th & France and 72nd & France #2. State law requires both the District and Hennepin County to consent before the City can do so. The intent is to add TIF years needed to complete key public infrastructure and support redevelopment that has been financially stalled in the current market.

Presenter(s): Mert Woodard, Director of Finance & Operations

Recommendation: Accept the City's request to extend the two tax increment financing districts and authorize the Chair and Clerk to sign a resolution achieving that outcome.

D. 2025-2027 Data Metrics Plan Board Update

Description: The Edina Public Schools 2025–2027 Data Metrics Plan represents the next phase of the district's Comprehensive Assessment System. This system guides how data are collected, analyzed, and applied to align district initiatives with the 2020–2030 Strategic Plan and to drive continuous system-level improvement. Through the creation and implementation of the Data Metrics Plan, Edina Public Schools continues its commitment to each and every student.

Presenter(s): Jody De St. Hubert, Director of Teaching & Learning; and Greg Guswiler, Teaching & Learning Data Programming Analyst and Coordinator

Recommendation: Approve the 2025-2027 Edina Data Metrics Plan.

E. Proposed 2025-2027 Education Minnesota/Edina Collective Bargaining Agreement

Description: The School District's teachers have ratified a tentative agreement for a two-year contract effective July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2027.

Presenter(s): Sonya Sailer, Executive Director of Human Resources; and Mert Woodard, Director of Finance and Operations

Recommendation: Approve the proposed 2025-2027 EM/E collective bargaining agreement.

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F. Policy Review – Quick (622, 913)

Description: These policies were reviewed with an eye toward clarity and alignment with District practice and state and federal statutes. There are minimal to no changes.

Presenter(s): Board Policy Committee

Recommendation: Accept the revised policies as presented.

G. Policy Review (917)

Description: These policies were reviewed with an eye toward clarity and alignment with District practice and state and federal statutes.

Presenter(s): Board Policy Committee

Recommendation: Accept the revised policies as presented.

VIII. Leadership and Committee Updates

IX. Superintendent Updates

X. Adjournment

XI. Information

A. Investment Summary - November 2025

B. Expenditure Summary - November 2025

C. Enrollment Mobility - November 2025