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FINANCE/REGULAR BOARD MEETING
Oak Crest Elementary School, 1101 Commerce Dr, Belle Plaine, MN 56011
6:00 PM Monday, February 23, 2026

Our mission is to pursue excellence in academics, programming, and the social and emotional development of our students. Fostering a culture of kindness, inclusion, and pride in ourselves, our school, and our community.

Terry Kahle: Present, Karl Keup: Absent, Matt Lenz: Present, Tracy O'Brien: Present, Kellen Schmidt: Present, Tonya Smith: Present.

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Kahle will call the meeting to order.

2. Acknowledgement of Visitors and Special Presentations

Chairperson Kahle will ask if visitors wish to be placed on the agenda.

1. Fall and One Act Play Students and Staff:

Fall musical director Alison Vandermark and One Act play directors Tony Hartmann and Dylan O'Brien shared recent accomplishments of the drama department.

2. AIPAC Presentation:

Concurrence presentation on meeting goals of the program.

Presenters shared the successes of the district's American Indian Parent Advisory Committee and American Indian Education Aid Grant. The purpose of this grant is to support student achievement, cultural identity and education of American Indian students.

3. Finance Meeting

Chuck Keller

4. Other Items as Brought Before the Board &

Consideration of Agenda

Chairperson Kahle will ask if there are any items that need to be brought before the board and for consideration of the agenda.

Approve the agenda as presented. This motion, made by Kellen Schmidt and seconded by Tracy O'Brien, Passed.

Kahle: Yea, Keup: Absent, Lenz: Yea, O'Brien: Yea, Schmidt: Yea, Smith: Yea

5. Consensus Items

Chair Kahle

If any board member has concerns about the adoption of the following consensus items, please acknowledge the Chairperson prior to the final vote. If there are no concerns, these items will be voted on as a group.

Approval of all consensus items is recommended. This motion, made by Matt Lenz and

seconded by Tonya Smith, Passed.

Kahle: Yea, Keup: Absent, Lenz: Yea, O'Brien: Yea, Schmidt: Yea, Smith: Yea

1. Previous Board Meeting Minutes

Chair Kahle

Enclosed are the January 26, 2026 Regular Board Meeting minutes for your review and adoption.

2. Approve Monthly Expenditures

Chair Kahle

At the board finance meeting, expenditures for the month of February were reviewed. Administration recommends approval of the February 2026 disbursements totaling \$1,101,198.01. This includes Board Payables of \$230,326.18, Hand Payments of \$187,344.89, Electronic Payments of \$665,993.06 and Student Activity Payments of \$17,533.88.

3. Personnel

Chair Kahle

See the attached Personnel Changes spreadsheet.

4. Donations

Chair Kahle

Donations totaling \$2,450.00 were given to the Belle Plaine School District over the past month. See the attached resolution for a full listing of the donations. Thank you to all who made these generous donations!

6. Discussion Items

Chair Kahle

1. Superintendent Update

Chair Kahle

Superintendent Laager will provide updates on current school activities. Superintendent Laager provided updates on school activities, the current legislative session, and facilities planning.

2. Board Member Reports

Chair Kahle

Board members will have an opportunity to share information about meetings they have attended over the past month.

Board members shared updates and comments on a potential robotics sponsorship with Excel, the positive culture of activities in our district and the opportunities students experience, and the recent Southwest Metro board meeting.

7. Action Items

Chair Kahle

1. Resolution Authorizing and Approving the Execution and Delivery of a Lease Purchase Agreement:

This is a board resolution authoring the district to enter into a lease agreement with Apple Financial Services for the renewal of student and staff iPads and cases. The total amount is not to exceed \$695,155.00. This is a 3- year lease with 0% interest. The District will own the iPads at the end of the lease.

Approve the Apple Lease for the iPad renewal. This motion, made by Tracy O'Brien and seconded by Tonya Smith, Passed.

Kahle: Yea, Keup: Absent, Lenz: Yea, O'Brien: Yea, Schmidt: Yea, Smith: Yea

2. Resolution Directing Administration to Review Programs:

This is an annual resolution directing the administration to review programs in the event reductions are necessary. This does not mean that reductions will be made. However, this resolution is necessary in order to review and recommend in case they

are needed.

Approve the resolution directing the administration to review programs. This motion, made by Kellen Schmidt and seconded by Matt Lenz, Passed.

Kahle: Yea, Keup: Absent, Lenz: Yea, O'Brien: Yea, Schmidt: Yea, Smith: Yea

8. Upcoming Meetings

March 16 6:00 p.m. Finance/Regular Board Meeting

9. Adjourn

Adjourn the meeting at 6:59 pm. This motion, made by Tracy O'Brien and seconded by Matt Lenz, Passed.

Kahle: Yea, Keup: Absent, Lenz: Yea, O'Brien: Yea, Schmidt: Yea, Smith: Yea

Board Clerk

Date