

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 273
OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JANUARY 6, 2025

REGULAR MEETING
7:00 PM

Edina Community Center Room 349
5701 Normandale Road, Edina

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

ABSENT:

Mr. Dan Arom
Ms. Cheryl Barry
Mr. Michael Birdman
Ms. Karen Gabler
Ms. Jennifer Huwe
Mr. Elliot Mann

Ms. Erica Allenburg

PRESIDING OFFICER: Chair Karen Gabler

7:00 - 8:51 PM

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Stacie Stanley, Superintendent
Nate Swenson, Assistant Superintendent
Frannie Becquer, Director of Achievement Equity and Multilingual Learner Programming
Jody De St. Hubert, Director of Teaching and Learning
Dr. Anne Marie Leland, Director of Community Education and Strategic Partnerships
Jody Rensing, Director of Student Support Services
Sonya Sailer, Director of Human Resources
Mert Woodard, Director of Finance and Operations

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Ms. Karen Gabler, Chair

Ms. Cheryl Barry, Clerk

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DISTRICT 273 EDINA, MINNESOTA JANUARY 6, 2025

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA

EXCELLENCE IN ACTION

HEARING FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

CONSENT

- A. Minutes: *December 2 work session and regular meeting; December 9 special meeting; December 17 work session; December 19 special meeting*
- B. Personnel Recommendations
- C. Check Register - December 2024
- D. Electronic Fund Transfers - December 2024
- E. Gifts and Bequests – December 2024
- F. Machine-Signed Signatures - Calendar Year 2025
- G. Facility Rental Fees - Fiscal Year 2026
- H. Kids Club Fees - Fiscal Year 2026
- I. New Activity at EHS: E-Sports
- J. EHS Activity Name Change

DISCUSSION

- A. Audited Financial Statements – Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024
- B. Student Support Services Programming Update
- C. Policy Review (514, 520, 526, 601)

ACTION

- A. Audited Financial Statements – Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024
- B. Electric School Bus Acquisition
- C. 2025-26 Secondary Courses English Language Arts Year Two Recommendations
- D. 2025-2026 Secondary Courses General Change Recommendations
- E. International Travel
- F. Legislative Action Committee (LAC) Priorities
- G. Policy Review (504, 518, 601, 607, 613, 628)

LEADERSHIP AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATES

INFORMATION

- A. Enrollment Mobility
- B. Expenditure Summary - December 2024
- C. Investment Summary - December 2024
- D. Investment Summary - November 2024 (Corrected)
- E. Concordia Language Village - 4/10/25 Chinese 8th Grade Class
- F. Countryside Elem Continuous Progress, Gr 1-5, YMCA Camp St. Croix, May, 2025

G. Summary of Mid-Year Superintendent Evaluation

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:51 PM. The minutes and resolutions are open to public inspection on the district website, and on file at the district office, 5701 Normandale Road.

Ms. Karen Gabler, Chair

Ms. Cheryl Barry, Clerk

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OFFICIAL MINUTES OF SCHOOL BOARD'S
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APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Member Birdman moved and Member Arom seconded to approve the agenda. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

EXCELLENCE IN ACTION

Highlands Principal Cara Rieckenberg, along with Kendal Masica, Highlands teacher, and 4th and 5th grade students presented about the 20th anniversary of their Impact Day. Students, staff, and community members came together to pack meals for Minnesotans in need. They estimate that they have packed more than 1,000,000 meals in this 20-year history.

CONSENT

Member Birdman moved and Member Arom seconded to approve the consent agenda. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

The resolutions were:

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DISCUSSION

Audited Financial Statements – Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024: Information from the annual audit for the period ending June 30, 2024, was presented.

Student Support Services Programming Update: Director Remsing presented information about the key focus areas of the Student Support Services department.

Policy Review (514, 520, 526, 601): Policy Committee members presented the following policies for discussion. Policy 601 will be acted on later tonight; 514, 520, and 526 will move forward for action at the next regular meeting.

- Policy 514 Bullying Prohibition

- Policy 520 Student Surveys
- Policy 526 Student Hazing Prohibition
- Policy 601 Educational Competencies, Academic Standards, and Instructional Curriculum

ACTION

Audited Financial Statements – Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024: Member Birdman moved and Member Mann seconded to approve the motion. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

Electric School Bus Acquisition: Member Birdman moved and Member Barry seconded to approve the motion. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

2025-26 Secondary Courses English Language Arts Year Two Recommendations: Member Mann moved and Member Barry seconded to approve the motion. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

2025-2026 Secondary Courses General Change Recommendations: Member Birdman moved and Member Mann seconded to approve the motion. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

International Travel: Member Birdman moved and Member Mann seconded to approve the motion. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

Legislative Action Committee (LAC) Priorities: Member Mann moved and Member Huwe seconded to approve the motion. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

Policy Review (504, 518, 601, 607, 613, 628): Member Birdman moved and Member Mann seconded to approve the motion. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

- Policy 504 Student Dress and Appearance
- Policy 518 Do Not Attempt Resuscitation
- Policy 601 Educational Competencies, Academic Standards, and Instructional Curriculum
- Policy 607 Special Accommodations and Services for Students with Special Needs – Section 504
- Policy 613 Graduation Requirements
- Policy 628 Student Activities Program

LEADERSHIP AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

Member Arom shared that the LAC breakfast is coming up on January 24; all are invited to attend.

Chair Gabler pointed out that a summary of the superintendent's mid-year review was included in the information items.

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATES

Dr. Stanley shared an email of thanks from the Morningside Women's Club who held their holiday craft fair at the Edina Community Center this year. The fair was a great success and they believe they will be able to offer more scholarships this year as a result of the fair's success.

She also highlighted the artwork on display in the boardroom. Done by Valley View Middle School students, the artwork ranges in media from watercolors to collage and subject matter from cityscapes to the abstract.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:51 PM, Member Mann moved, and Member Arom seconded to adjourn the meeting. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

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