

**Aitkin Public Schools  
Finance and Facilities Committee Meeting Summary  
District Office  
April 27, 2026 3:45 p.m.**

Member	X	Member	X	Member	X	Member	X
Dan Stifter	X	Lisa DeMars		Elem Princ.		Roland Hill	
Brian Leitinger		Loren Vonasek		Scott Miller		Steve Snyder	X
Dawn Houser	X	Heather Hipp	X	Jason Roos			
Julie Miller		Heather Fontaine	X				

**Call to order at:** 3:48

**Others present:**

**Agenda Items:**

Discussion items:

Dan:

- Roofing repairs at Rippleside
  - a. Looking at roof M, N, O - meeting with Thelen Heating and Roofing to get estimates/bids
- Sidewalk replacement North side of the High School
  - a. Have bids, will have this done in June.
  - b. From the stop sign to the entry on the Gravel parking lot
- Finance
  - Anticipated deficit spending approximately \$275,000 this fiscal year 2026.
  - Project deficit spending \$600,000 in fiscal year 2027. If there are no major legislative changes.
  - We would still be above our 20 percent fund balance board policy, but within \$500,000 of that mark.

**Other:**

- Other needs and potential projects in the future - Steve S update from meeting with Kevin Wormuth, ICS Engineer
  - Quick review of items that were reviewed at Rippleside
- Discussion on potential of condemning the school
  - Dan will look into this idea with ICS and MDE

**Next meeting:** May ??, 2026

**Meeting Adjourned:** 4:25 pm

