

East Grand Forks Public Schools

August 10, 2026

The regular meeting of the Board of Education, Independent School District #595, East Grand Forks, Minnesota was held on Monday, August 10, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in Room 195 at Senior High School.

1.0 Call to Order by Board Chair Brott

2.0 Pledge of Allegiance

3.0 Roll Call of School Board Members

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Brott _____
Holweger _____
Larson _____

Hangsleben _____
King _____
Perkerewicz _____

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Brott _____
Holweger _____
Larson _____

Hangsleben _____
King _____
Perkerewicz _____

4.0 Approve the Agenda

_____ moved to approve the agenda as presented.

_____ seconded the motion. The motion (carried/failed) unanimously.

5.0 Communication and Reports

5.1 Administration and Department Head Reports

1. Superintendent of Schools
2. Principals
3. Community Education Director

5.2 Committee Reports

6.0 Consent Agenda

_____ moved to approve the consent agenda as presented.

6.1. Approval of Minutes – Approve the minutes of the July 13, 2026 regular school board meeting and the July 27, 2026 special school board meeting.

6.2. Personnel

1. Hires

Aden Hassan, custodian, SH, beginning July 20, 2026
Rachel Aker, library paraprofessional, NH, beginning August 20, 2026
Kaitlin Driscoll, paraprofessional, NH, beginning August 20, 2026
Hilda Milera, paraprofessional, NH, beginning August 20, 2026
Emily Simek, paraprofessional, SP, beginning August 20, 2026
Olivia Grefsheim, paraprofessional, SP, beginning August 20, 2026
Paige Knuttila, paraprofessional, SP, beginning August 20, 2026
Brylie Peterson, paraprofessional, SP, beginning August 20, 2026
Ava Odne, paraprofessional, SP, beginning August 20, 2026
Kennedy Ellingson, paraprofessional, SP, beginning August 20, 2026
Kalyn Jacobs, paraprofessional, SP, beginning August 20, 2026
Abigail Adams, paraprofessional, SP, beginning August 20, 2026
Kandy Edwards, paraprofessional, SH, beginning August 20, 2026
Susie Reckner, paraprofessional, SH, beginning August 20, 2026
Sara Pershke, paraprofessional, SH, beginning August 20, 2026
Rachel Gunderson, paraprofessional, PS, beginning August 20, 2026

2. Resignations

Steven Howey, paraprofessional, SH, effective July 16, 2026
Cassidy Wise, paraprofessional, NH, effective July 27, 2026

3. Administrative Assistant Work Agreement

SEE ATTACHED

4. At-Will Contracts

Karla Afshari, Business Manager
Deka Ali, Bilingual Home School Liaison/Homeless Liaison Assistant
Kristie Devine, Health Aide
Mike Dschaak, Director of Buildings and Grounds
Chad Grassel, Career Academy Coordinator
Cody Hlavka, Transportation Director
Jason Kalt, Senior Computer Support Technician
Scott Koberinski, Activities Director
Robin Metzgar, Payroll and Benefits Manager
Nancy Misialek, Human Resources Manager
Dara Omang, American Indian Education Coordinator
Darren Schimke, School District Mechanic
Laura Thorvilson, Community Education Director/Preschool Coordinator
Brandi Vigness, Nutrition Services Manager
Casi Zimny, Accounts Payable Clerk

6.3. Miscellaneous Payments – Approve the July 13, 2026 Miscellaneous Payments in the amount of \$27,631.78 and the July 28, 2026 Miscellaneous Payments in the amount of \$25,191.65. (see attached)

6.4 2026-27 District Activity Fee Schedule – SEE ATTACHED

6.5 Handbooks

26-27 Senior High
26-27 Central Middle School
26-27 South Point
26-27 New Heights
26-27 Employee Handbook

6.6 Policy Updates – First Reading

Policy 208 - Development, Adoption, and Implementation of Policies
Policy 402 - Disability Nondiscrimination Policy
Policy 410 - Family and Medical Leave Policy
Policy 423 - Employee-Student Relationships
Policy 503 - Student Attendance
Policy 507.5 - School Resource Officers
Policy 509 - Enrollment of Nonresident Students
Policy 515 - Protection and Privacy of Pupil Records
Policy 521 - Student Disability Nondiscrimination
Policy 524 - Internet, Technology, and Cell Phone Acceptable Use and Safety Policy
Policy 530 - Immunization Requirements
Policy 613 - Graduation Requirements
Policy 615 - Testing Accommodations, Modifications, and Exemptions for IEPs, Section 504 Plans, and LEP Students
Policy 621 - Literacy and the READ Act
Policy 701 - Establishment and Adoption of School District Budget
Policy 721 - Procurement Policy
Policy 722 - Public Data and Data Subject Requests

6.7 Code of Conduct - SEE ATTACHED

6.8 Extracurricular Assignments – Fall 2026 - SEE ATTACHED

_____ seconded the motion. The motion (carried/failed) unanimously.

7.0 Opportunity for Citizens to Speak on Items Not on the Agenda

8.0 District Business

8.1 Accept Donations to the School District

_____ moved to accept the donations to the school district in the amount of \$4,958.00 as presented and attached. _____ seconded the motion. The motion (carried/failed) unanimously.

9.0 Payment of Claims and Accounts

_____ moved to approve the payment of K-12 bills #132065 through #132154 and electronic fund transfers as follows:

FUND	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL
01	General	\$550,322.01
02	Food Service	\$1,501.93
04	Community Ed	\$10,016.30
14	Community Service	\$2,699.96
21	Student Activities	\$1,750.00
EFT		\$699,406.82
TOTAL		\$1,265,697.02

The bills are on file in the Superintendent's Office.

_____ seconded the motion. The motion (carried/failed) unanimously.

10.0 Board Member's Comments

11.0 The next meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for August 24, 2026

12.0 Nexus - discussion and education on speaking as a board member with regard to levy/referendum. (work session - no action in this portion of the meeting).

13.0 Adjourn the Meeting

_____ moved to adjourn the meeting of the Board of Education at _____
p.m. _____ seconded the motion. The motion (carried/failed) unanimously.