

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 273
OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 5, 2025

REGULAR MEETING
7:00 PM

Edina Community Center Room 349
5701 Normandale Road, Edina

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

ABSENT:

Ms. Erica Allenburg
Mr. Dan Arom
Ms. Cheryl Barry
Ms. Karen Gabler
Ms. Jennifer Huwe
Mr. Elliot Mann

Mr. Michael Birdman

PRESIDING OFFICER: Chair Karen Gabler

7:01 PM - 8:42 PM

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Daniel Bittman, Superintendent
Nate Swenson, Assistant Superintendent
Dr. 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
Sonya Sailer, Executive 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 MAY 5, 2025

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA

EXCELLENCE IN ACTION

HEARING FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

CONSENT

- A. Minutes: *April 7 work session and regular meeting; April 22 work session*
- B. Personnel Recommendations
- C. Memorandum of Understanding Between Edina Public Schools and Education Minnesota/Edina ("EME") relating to the Edina Virtual Pathway Program 2025-2026
- D. Termination and Non-Renewal of Probationary Teachers
- E. Check Register - April 2025
- F. Electronic Fund Transfers - April 2025
- G. Gifts and Bequests – April 2025
- H. Quality Compensation Annual Report 2024-2025
- I. Food Service Management Contract – Fiscal Year 2026
- J. Staff Year End Letter from Board
- K. Lease Agreement with West Metro Credit Union 2025-2026
- L. Apple iPad Refresh Proposal
- M. Chromebook Agreement with Vivacity

DISCUSSION

- A. Superintendent Leadership Plan
- B. 2025-2027 Edina Public Schools Assessment Plan
- C. Policy Review (503, 515, 529, 531, 605, 609, 610, 611)

ACTION

- A. K-12 Social Studies Curriculum Adoption
- B. Intermediate School District No. 287 – Long-Term Facilities Maintenance Proportionate Share – Fiscal Year 2027
- C. Policy Review (509, 510, 527, 528, 538, 612)

LEADERSHIP AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATES

INFORMATION

- A. Enrollment Mobility
- B. Expenditure Summary - April 2025
- C. Investment Summary - April 2025

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:42 PM. The minutes and resolutions are open to public inspection on the district website, and on file at the district office, 5701 Normandale Road.

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

EXCELLENCE IN ACTION

Kathy Rendleman, Executive Director of Edina Education Fund, presented information about the first Be A Hornet Day last week.

CONSENT

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

The resolutions were:

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DISCUSSION

Superintendent Leadership Plan: Dr. Bittman shared an overview of his leadership plan.

2025-2027 Edina Public Schools Assessment Plan: Staff shared information about the proposed 2026-2027 assessment plan and calendar

Policy Review (503, 515, 529, 531, 605, 609, 610, 611): Policy Committee members presented the following policies for discussion. These policies will move forward for approval at the next regular meeting.

- Policy 503 Student Attendance
- Policy 515 Protection and Privacy of Student Records
- Policy 529 Staff Notification of Violent Behavior of Students

- Policy 531 The Pledge of Allegiance
- Policy 605 Alternative Educational Services
- Policy 609 Religion
- Policy 610 Student Homework
- Policy 611 Home Schooling

ACTION

K-12 Social Studies Curriculum Adoption: Member Mann moved and Member Barry seconded to approve the motion. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

Intermediate School District No. 287 – Long-Term Facilities Maintenance Proportionate Share – Fiscal Year 2027: Member Mann moved and Member Arom seconded to approve the motion. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

Policy Review (509, 510, 527, 528, 538, 612): Member Arom moved and Member Barry seconded to approve the motion. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

- Policy 509 Resident Enrollment and Assignment
- Policy 510 Open Enrollment
- Policy 527 Student Use and Parking of Motor Vehicles, Patrols, Inspections, and Searches
- Policy 528 Student Parental, Family, and Marital Status Nondiscrimination
- Policy 538 Student Travel
- Policy 612 Development of Parental Involvement Policies for Title I Programs

LEADERSHIP AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

Member Arom reminded everyone that the legislative session ends this month and encouraged people to contact legislators about preserving funding for education.

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATES

Dr. Bittman commented about the busy time of year; he acknowledged that the district received a certificate of excellence for financial reporting; the artwork in the boardroom is from an archived collection that was originally featured in a community display at Southdale Mall in 2019; and he reminded everyone that Graduation is coming up.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:42 PM, Member Arom moved, and Member Mann seconded to adjourn the meeting. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.