

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 273
OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 9, 2024

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
Mr. Michael Birdman
Ms. Karen Gabler
Ms. Jennifer Huwe
Mr. Elliot Mann

PRESIDING OFFICER: Chair Erica Allenburg

7:05 PM - 8:36 PM

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Stacie Stanley, 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
Daphne Edwards, Director of Marketing and Communications
Dr. Anne Marie Leland, Director of Community Education and Strategic Partnerships
Jody Remsing, Director of Student Support Services
Sonya Sailer, Director of Human Resources
Mert Woodard, Director of Finance and Operations

Dr. Cheryl Gunness, Community Engagement and Purpose Learning Supervisor
Jodie Zesbaugh, Senior Municipal Advisor, Ehlers Inc.

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Ms. Erica Allenburg, Chair

Mr. Dan Arom, Clerk

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DISTRICT 273 EDINA, MINNESOTA SEPTEMBER 9, 2024

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA

EXCELLENCE IN ACTION

HEARING FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

CONSENT

- A. Minutes: *August 5 special and regular meeting; August 7-8 retreat; August 20 work session*
- B. Personnel Recommendations - September 2024
- C. 2026-2027 Employee Holiday Schedule
- D. Check Register - August 2024
- E. Electronic Fund Transfers - August 2024
- F. Gifts and Bequests – August 2024
- G. 2024-2025 Brightworks Membership
- H. Tuition Agreement - Bloomington Public Schools
- I. 2024-2025 Board Liaison, Committee and Leadership Roles
- J. Student Support Services Agreements
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 3. Fraser
 4. Sara Kohn
 5. Accurate Home Care_EB

DISCUSSION

- A. Intent to Issue General Obligation Capital Notes and Facilities Maintenance Bonds, Series 2024A
- B. 2024 Summer Programming - Community Education & Strategic Partnerships Department
- C. 2024-2025 School Board Priorities
- D. Policy Review (603, 616, 618, 620)

ACTION

- A. Intent to Issue General Obligation Capital Notes and Facilities Maintenance Bonds, Series 2024A
- B. 2024-2025 Superintendent Goals
- C. Proposed 2024-2026 Collective Bargaining Agreement Between Independent School District 273 and the Minnesota School Employees Association (MSEA) Paraprofessionals

LEADERSHIP AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATES

INFORMATION

- A. Investment Summary - July 2024
- B. 2023-2024 Substitute Teacher Fill Rates
- C. To-and-From School Transportation Fees - Final Data

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:36 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. Erica Allenburg, Chair

Mr. Dan Arom, Clerk

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

EXCELLENCE IN ACTION

A video montage of the first days of school was presented.

HEARING FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Laura Lukens spoke about the lice problem.

CONSENT

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

The resolutions were:

- A. Minutes: *July 8 special and regular meetings; July 23 work session*
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DISCUSSION

Intent to Issue General Obligation Capital Notes and Facilities Maintenance Bonds, Series 2024A: Director Woodard and Jodie Zesbaugh, senior municipal advisor from Elhers Inc., presented information about routine issuance of general obligation notes and possible taxpayer savings.

2024 Summer Programming - Community Education & Strategic Partnerships Department: Dr. Leland and Dr. Gunness presented information about summer programming, including quantitative metrics and qualitative feedback from students, families, and staff.

2024-2025 School Board Priorities: Board members discussed priorities for 2024-2025, and plan to bring forward for action at the October meeting.

Policy Review (603, 616, 618, 620): Policy Committee members presented the following policies for discussion. These policies will move forward for approval at the next regular meeting.

ACTION

Intent to Issue General Obligation Capital Notes and Facilities Maintenance Bonds, Series 2024A: Member Birdman moved and Member Mann seconded to approve the motion. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

2024-2025 Superintendent Goals: Member Birdman moved and Member Mann seconded to approve the motion. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

Proposed 2024-2026 Collective Bargaining Agreement Between Independent School District 273 and the Minnesota School Employees Association (MSEA) Paraprofessionals: Member Gabler moved and Member Mann seconded to approve the motion. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

LEADERSHIP AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

Member Gabler shared that the Give and Go Gear Swap was very successful.

Member Birdman shared that the new policies related to football games were visible and the crowd was enthusiastic and students well-behaved.

Chair Allenburg called attention to the Information items included in the board packet, specifically the information related to the substitute teacher fill rate and thanked human resources staff for their work.

She also shared that September is School Board Appreciation Month and thanked her fellow board members for their work and commitment to EPS and the community.

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATES

Dr. Stanley shared that the recent Hornets football game against Eden Prairie was great; she attended with friend and colleague, Dr. Josh Swanson, superintendent of Eden Prairie Schools. She also thanked Troy Stein, Paul Paetzel, and the whole administrative team at EHS for their work related to the football game.

She mentioned a number of emails that came in this summer about Valley View Middle School principal Patrick Bass. They said he radiates positivity, creates a fun learning environment, provides consistent communication for families, and sets a clear tone and mission for the school. And, a video clip from CNN giving an on-air shoutout to Valley View was presented.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:36 PM, Member Gabler moved, and Member Mann seconded to adjourn the meeting. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.