

## **January 27, 2026 at 6:30 PM - School Board - Regular Business Meeting**

The regular meeting of the Independent School District 283, St. Louis Park Public Schools, was held on January 27, 2026, in the Central Community Center, 6300 Walker Street, St. Louis Park, MN 55416.

Present: Virginia Mancini, Celia Anderson, Taylor Williams, Sarah Davis, Susie Kaufman, Colin Cox, Patrick Kaufman, and Superintendent Dr. Carlondrea Hines. Also present were members of the Cabinet.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Board Chair Virginia Mancini called the regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. at the Central Community Center - District Office

### **LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Board Chair, Virginia Mancini, recited the Land Acknowledgement “We are gathered on the land of the Dakota and Ojibwe peoples. I ask you to join me in acknowledging the Dakota and Ojibwe community, their elders both past and present, as well as future generations. St. Louis Park Public Schools also acknowledges that it was founded upon exclusions and erasures of many Indigenous Peoples, including those on whose land this school district is located. This acknowledgment demonstrates a commitment to dismantling the ongoing legacies of colonial power and the district's desire to support the ongoing work of local Indigenous communities to thrive in our schools.

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The regular meeting agenda was presented for approval. *Motion by Baldwin, by Kaufman to approve the agenda as presented.*

*Director Williams moved to remove Item 8.A. from the agenda, seconded by Mancini. The agenda, as amended, was approved unanimously.*

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comment participants.

### **SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

#### **Spotlight: PSI Elementary School - Student Learning**

Principal Maslowski shared information about Park Spanish Immersion:

- Second year of introducing English phonics in kindergarten, third year in first grade
- Bridging between English and Spanish
- Pacing guides for language arts and math
- Professional Development

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **Community Education - Overview Program Review: Youth Programs**

Team members from Community Education shared highlights from Kids Place School Age Care, Youth Enrichment & Aquatics, and Targeted Services/Summer Learning. Some of the highlights include:

- 33% of elementary students participate in afterschool Kids Place School Age Care
- 350 registrations in youth enrichment programs at the middle school
- The Department of National Resources provided a \$25,000 grant for a fishing program

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

At the recommendation of Chair Mancini, *Motion by Baldwin, seconded by Anderson, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.*

## **ACTION ITEMS**

At the recommendation of Chair Mancini, *Motion by Mancini, seconded by Williams, to approve the board resolution as presented.*

Baldwin then moved, and Cox seconded, to amend the second paragraph to read as follows:

“WHEREAS, the Minnesota Human Rights Act guarantees every child access to a free public K-12 education free from discrimination, and St. Louis Park Public Schools affirms its position as a district that welcomes and supports all students, regardless of immigration status, race, color, religion, gender, or country of origin; and”

*All in favor. Motion to amend carried unanimously.*

Kaufman then moved, and Cox seconded, to amend the seventh paragraph to read as follows:

“WHEREAS, educational personnel are often the primary sources of resources and information to assist students and support their emotional and physical health; which puts additional strain on their own personal and mental health;”

*All in favor. Motion to amend carried unanimously.*

The main motion, as amended, was then put to a vote. Motion carried unanimously.

## **BOARD MEMBER UPDATES**

Board members reported on recent educational activities/events in which they have participated.

## **MOTION TO CLOSE MEETING**

At the recommendation of Chair Mancini, Motion by Mancini, seconded by Anderson, to close the meeting to receive a safety update, pursuant to Minn. Stat. §13D.05, Subd. 3(d), which allows meetings to be closed for security briefings and reports. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

**MOTION TO OPEN MEETING**

At the recommendation of Chair Mancini, Motion by Williams , seconded by Anderson to return to open session. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 9:45PM

Submitted by:  
Jazmin Hankerson  
Executive Assistant to the School Board

Chair: \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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