

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 283

February 28, 2024 at 5:00 PM Regular Board Meeting MINUTES

The regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. 283 of St. Louis Park, Hennepin County, Minnesota, convened at 5:05 p.m. on Wednesday, February 28, 2024, in the Central Community Center - District Office, 6300 Walker Street, Room 21, St. Louis Park, MN 55416. Present: Colin Cox, Anne Casey, Virginia Mancini, Sarah Davis, Celia Anderson, and Taylor Williams. Vice Chair Abdihakim Ibrahim was absent. Also present were members of the Cabinet.

CALL TO ORDER

Board Chair Colin Cox called the regular meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. at the Central Community Center - District Office.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Board Chair Cox 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 board meeting agenda was presented for approval. *Motion by Casey, seconded by Davis, to approve the meeting agenda. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.*

CONSENT AGENDA

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

ACTION AGENDA

At the recommendation of Board Chair Cox, *Motion by Casey, seconded by Davis, to approve Bids for the St. Louis Park Central Community Center Pool and Gym Remodel as presented. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.*

At the recommendation of Board Chair Cox, *Motion by Anderson, seconded by Cox, to approve Bids for the St. Louis Park High School Classroom Renovations Phase 2 as presented. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.*

At the recommendation of Board Chair Cox, *Motion by Mancini, seconded by Williams, to approve the CAPS Clerical Employees Labor Agreement as presented. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.*

The school board reviewed a Resolution Clarifying Scope and Procedure of Instructional Material Review emphasizing its commitment to equity, diversity, and inclusion in the district's instructional materials. This resolution represents an important step in affirming the district’s commitment to

recognizing and respecting the various identities of our students, staff, and families. At the recommendation of Board Chair Cox, *Motion by Anderson, seconded by Cox, to approve the Resolution Clarifying Scope and Procedure of Instructional Material Review. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.*

COMMUNICATION AND TRANSMITTALS

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

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was heard and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be held on March 12, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. in the Central Community Center - District Office, Room 21.

Submitted by
Barb Mumm,
Temporary Executive Assistant to the Board

Signed: Chair _____ Clerk _____

Date _____ Date _____