

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 273
OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE RETREAT OF AUGUST 19, 2025

RETREAT
5:00 PM

Edina Chamber of Commerce
7201 Metro Blvd, Edina

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ms. Erica Allenburg
Mr. Dan Arom
Ms. Cheryl Barry
Mr. Michael Birdman
Ms. Karen Gabler
Ms. Jennifer Huwe

ABSENT:

Mr. Elliot Mann

PRESIDING OFFICER: Chair Karen Gabler

5:04 PM - 8:38 PM

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Daniel Bittman, Interim Superintendent
Jody Remsing, Director of Student Support Services
Mert Woodard, Director of Finance and Operations

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Ms. Karen Gabler, Chair

Ms. Cheryl Barry, Clerk

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA

DISCUSSION

- A. Special Education Models and Funding
- B. Further Refinement of Board Leadership Roles
- C. Future Board Professional Development
- D. Superintendent Search

LEADERSHIP AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATES

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting at 8:38 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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Member Birdman moved and Member Allenberg seconded to approve the agenda. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION

Special Education Models and Funding: Board members reviewed district special education models and resource allocation.

Further Refinement of Board Leadership Roles: Board members discussed the ad hoc committee's recommendations regarding the responsibilities of the vice-chair.

Future Board Professional Development: Board members discussed the upcoming self-evaluation.

Superintendent Search: Board members reviewed actions taken to date and discussed a possible timeline for next steps.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:38 PM, Member Huwe moved, and Member Arom seconded to recess the meeting. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.