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1. Call to Order at **7:33** p.m.
 - 1.1. Pledge of Allegiance
 - 1.2. Roll Call (alphabetical order): Jodie Davy, Cari Dostal (arrived at 7:47 p.m.), Jamie Isane, Brent Olson, Jeramy Swenson and Jared VonEnde; 6 out of 6 in attendance.

Student (non-voting) Representative: Open for SY2023-24
 - 1.3. Administration and Department Heads: Kevin Ricke and Leah Hasson
2. Visitor Comments – Yes
Visitors Present in Attendance (alphabetical order): Mike Coltom, Shannon Dostal, Sherri Kukowski, and Sara Olson
 - 2.1. Listening Session – Two Inquiries (2)
 - (1) Sherri Kukowski: Explore Hiring Committee for Recruitment of Employees (especially Teachers)
 - (2) Sara Olson (question as a Parent): As a result of the direct certification process (in lieu of families completing paper applications) Badger Secondary Free-and-Reduced Price Meal pupil count has increased which may now exceed the 40% criteria minimum in grades 7-12. Are Secondary Schools grades 7-12 eligible to apply for Title I (One) in grades higher than sixth grade? Otherwise, are there other academic interventions available to junior high students?
3. Recommendation to add and/or to remove items to the agenda from Board Members or School Administrators – None
4. Approval of Agenda
 - 4.1. A motion was made by **Member VonEnde** to approve the agenda for the Monday, October 9, 2023 Regular School Board Meeting as presented. The motion seconded by **Member Olson**. Discussion (none); 5-Yes, 0-No and 1 Absent (Dostal) vote; **U.C. = motion carried unanimously.**
5. Minutes
 - 5.1. A motion was made by **Member Davy** to approve the minutes of the School Board Work Session held on Monday, September 11, 2023 as presented. The motion seconded by **Member Swenson**. Discussion (none); 5-Yes, 0-No and 1 Absent (Dostal) vote; **U.C. = motion carried unanimously.**
Attachment: (2) Minutes for Badger 11 Sept 2023 Regular Meeting screen friendly version
Minutes for Badger 11 Sept 2023 Regular Meeting condensed for newspaper
6. Consent Agenda

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6. Consent Agenda > *continued*

- 6.1. Pay Bills: A motion was made by **Member Isane** to approve the payment of bills check #**63146** through check #**63235** for a total of **\$176,689.65** as listed as well as approve Purchasing Card electronic payments dated October 5, 2023 and Electronic Fund Transfers as submitted. The motion seconded by **Member VonEnde**. Discussion (none); 5-Yes, 0-No and 1 Absent (Dostal) vote; **U.C. = motion carried unanimously**.

Please note: Joint Sports payment to GMR ISD 2683 is \$88,838.15 Check #63209

Attachments: (7) BOARD BILL ROTATION 2023
Check Payment Register end of September by Bank and Check for October 2023 Board Packet
EFT Schedule end of September for October 2023 Board Packet
Wire Transfers end of September for October 2023 Board Packet
PCard Statement end of September for October 2023 Board Packet
UFARS Exp Rev Summary end of September for October 2023 Board Packet
2023-2024 Preliminary Budget as of 12 June 2023

- 6.2. Library Media Center Long Term Sub Para: A motion was made by **Member Davy** to approve the hire of Renee Rhen for the Long-term Substitute Library Media Center Paraprofessional 7.25 paid hours per school day October 25, 2023 through December 15, 2023. Pay Scale placement would be Step 20 or \$19.55 per hour. The motion seconded by **Member Swenson**. Discussion (none); 5-Yes, 0-No and 1 Absent (Dostal) vote; **U.C. = motion carried unanimously**.

Description: Mrs. Rhen is able to be in attendance 35 of 39 student days needed from October 25, 2023 to December 21, 2023. Short-call daily Para sub may (or may not) need to be secured for the four-day week of Dec. 18, 19, 20, 21 just prior to winter break.

Attachments: (2) LTS Library Media Center Para Oct. 25 to Dec. 21, 2023
Letter of Interest for LTS Library Media Ctr Para 26 Sept 2023 from RMR

7. Communications

- 7.1. Financial Audit of Badger School District Fiscal Year 2023 (FY 23) prepared and presented by Brady Martz & Associates of Thief River Falls, MN.

Presenter: Tracee Bruggeman, Certified Public Accountant with Brady Martz & Associates, P.C. located in Thief River Falls, MN

Attachments: (2) Badger Managmt Ltr from Brady Martz 04 Oct 2023 two pages
Badger.FinStmt.District prepared by Brady Martz 09 Oct 2023 sixty-six pages

- 7.2. Minnesota Rural Education Association (MREA) Minnesota Greater Education Summit, Nov. 12-14, 2023
Description: Registration closes October 23, 2023. The Summit is being held at Cragun's Resort on Gull Lake, Brainerd, MN.

Attachment: (1) MREA Greater Ed Summit 12-14 Nov 2023 registration information

- 7.3. Letter of intent to explore discussing a subsequent employment contract with Superintendent/Principal K-12; please see attachment.

Attachment: (1) Letter of Intent to Explore Discussing a Subsequent Contract received 09 Oct 2023

- 7.4. Building and Grounds Report: ~~Striker Hasson~~ not in attendance

- 7.5. Superintendent

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7. Communications > *continued*

7.5. Superintendent > *continued*

7.5.a. Miscellaneous Items to Report by Superintendent

Attachment: (1) Board Reimbursement WORKING DRAFT Per Diem List as of 10 July 2023

7.6. Dean of Students: ~~Stacey Warne~~ not in attendance

7.6.a. Student Enrollment Report as of October 3; please see attachment

Attachment: (1) Enrollment Report 10.3.23

7.6.b. Fall Sports Number of Participants as of October 3; please see attachment

Attachment: (1) Fall Sports Participation 10.3.23

7.6.c. MN Comprehensive Assessment (MCA) Results

Description: Mixed results across Badger grades 3-11; overall, 64.7% are either above the statewide grade level average, at or less than one student away from the statewide grade level average.

5 Badger MCAs out of all 17 MN MCAs above the statewide grade level average

6 Badger MCAs out of all 17 MN MCAs at or within one student per grade level of the state average

6 Badger MCAs out of all 17 MN MCAs are below the state average.

Please note that subgroups with 20 or fewer data values significantly skew results when reported as percentages. For example, if there are only eighteen students at one Badger grade level, that means one student, one-eighteenth, equates to approximately 5.6%

Information about the Minnesota Report Card link and MDE Data Center website are in the attachment.

Attachments: (2) MDE Releases 2023 Statewide Assessment and Accountability Data Link Internal Partially Redacted MCA Test Results Spring 2023 two pages
^ *embargoed voter view only*

7.6.d. Dates of Interest; please see attachment

Attachment: (1) Dates of Interest for Oct-Nov 2023

8. Reports

8.1. Accept Cash Report: A motion was made by **Member VonEnde** to accept the Cash Report through September 30, 2023, subject to audit. The motion seconded by **Member Swenson**. Discussion (none); 6-Yes, 0-No vote; **U.C. = motion carried unanimously**.

Attachment: (1) Cash Report end of September for October 2023 Board Packet

8.2. **No Monetary Donations Recorded in September** ~~Accept September Donations~~—(THANK YOU):

~~A motion was made by _____ to accept the donations listed below. The motion seconded by~~

~~_____~~
Vote:

~~BE IT RESOLVED the motion carries or does not carry by a ____ Yes to ____ No vote.~~

~~Donations:~~

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8. Reports > *continued*

- 8.3. Accept First Quarter Budget Report: A motion was made by **Member VonEnde** to accept First Quarter Budget Report subject to audit. The motion seconded by **Member Dostal**. Discussion (none); 6-Yes, 0-No vote; **U.C. = motion carried unanimously.**

Attachments: (3) FY 24 Q1 Budget Report
UFARS Exp Rev Summary end of September for October 2023 Board Packet
2023-2024 Preliminary Budget as of 12 June 2023

9. Proposed Resolutions

- 9.1. Audit: A motion was made by **Member Swenson** to approve the Badger School District Fiscal Year 2023 Independent Financial Audit as prepared and presented by Brady Martz. The motion seconded by **Member Olson**. Discussion (none); 6-Yes, 0-No vote; **U.C. = motion carried unanimously.**

Presenter: Tracee Bruggeman, Certified Public Accountant with Brady Martz & Associates, P.C.
located in Thief River Falls, MN

Attachment: (1) Badger.FinStmt.District prepared by Brady Martz 09 Oct 2023 sixty-six pages

- 9.2. Adopt and approve MSHSL grant application to offset Student Activity Fees:

A motion was made by **Member VonEnde**, to adopt a resolution by Governing Board of Independent School District No. 676 Badger, Minnesota supporting FORM A application to Minnesota State High School League Foundation. The motion seconded by **Member Swenson**.

WHEREAS, the Minnesota State High School League Foundation was formed to provide support for Minnesota's high school youth to participate in athletics and fine arts; recognizes the value of student participation in extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, the Governing Board of Independent School District No. 676 Badger, Minnesota

WHEREAS, the MSHSL Foundation is offering grants and funding to assist schools in recognizing, promoting and funding extracurricular participation by high school students in athletic and fine arts programs supports the school's application to the Minnesota State High School League Foundation for a FORM A grant to offset student activity fees.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Governing Board of Independent School District No. 676 Badger, Minnesota

Adopted this **ninth (9)** day of **October**, 2023.

Yes Roll Call Vote: Yes=Member Davy, Yes=Member Dostal, Yes=Member Isane,
Yes=Member Olson, Yes=Member Swenson and Yes=Member VonEnde

No Roll Call Vote: No=None

Discussion (none); 6-Yes, 0-No vote; **U.C. = motion carried unanimously.**

School Board Chair

School Board Clerk

Attachment: (1) MSHSL Foundation Grant Resolution 10.9.23

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9. Proposed Resolutions > *continued*

9.3. New item 12 c. Addendum to Non-Certified Staff Agreement: A motion was made by **Member Dostal** to approve:

12. c. The Head Cook will receive a stipend in the amount of \$75.00 per month for the use of personal cell phone for school business during the academic year, food service ordering period, which is nine (9.5) months: mid-August, and then, September through May retroactive to August 15, 2023.

The motion seconded by **Member Swenson**. Discussion (determining amount per month); 6-Yes, 0-No vote; **U.C. = motion carried unanimously.**

Description: Please see reference notes in the attachments.

Attachments: (2) Non Certified Staff 23-25 Agreement approved 10 July 2023
Either an Addendum or Memo of Understanding for Non-Certified Agreement

Closing Comments and/or Inquiries Prior to Adjourning:

Schedule an 'Employee Recruitment Strategies' Board Work Session for Wednesday October 18, 2023 with a start time as early as 5:45 P.M. if all Members are able to start that early; otherwise, start no later than 6:00 P.M.

What is the status of revisiting/exploring the possibility of making an E.M.R. (Emergency Medical Responder) – E.M.T. (Emergency Medical Technician) elective course opportunity available to Badger Students?

10. Adjourn: Recommended motion: **Member Swenson** moved to adjourn at **8:43 P.M.** The motion seconded by **Member VonEnde**. Discussion (none); 6-Yes, 0-No vote; **U.C. = motion carried unanimously.**

Cari Dostal, Clerk _____ Jamie Isane, Chairperson _____

Communications/Upcoming Meetings:

Wednesday, October 18, 2023 6:00 PM Board Work Session Employee Recruitment Strategies
Monday, November 13, 2023 7:30 PM Regular Monthly Board Meeting

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