



**TO:** Northeast Metro 916 Board of Education  
**FROM:** Val Rae Boe  
**DATE:** December 12, 2025  
**RE:** December 10 Board of Education Meeting Talking Points

Members present: Knisely-12, Palmer-13, Jones-14, Forsberg-16, Oksnevad-282, Bock-621, Nitardy-622, Clark-623, Daniels-624, Rebelein-831, Stout-832, Dols-833, and Thelander-834.

Members absent: Rebelein-831.

**Presentation: Introducing the Assistive Technology Library**

School Board members were presented with information related to the Assistive Technology services and devices that 916 provides within the district and to the 13 member districts. Districts/staff are able to check out a device to try for up to six weeks before purchasing a similar device in their own district. An overview of the Assistive Technology Library (ATL) was given, including information on the framework teams use to determine the assistive technology need for a student. The ATL currently has 2,965 items and last year, 749 items were checked out for a total 1,231 times. Lastly, a few of the widely used smaller devices were demonstrated.

**Presentation: A Special Purpose Docuseries**

School Board members viewed several episodes from A Special Purpose: Special Education Pathways in Intermediate Districts. This four-episode docuseries, along with a 17-minute documentary, was created in partnership between Intermediate Districts 916, 917, 287, and Captivate Media + Consulting and was made possible through the DEED Drive for 5 Grant.

**School Board Policies:** The School Board approved several policies including one which has been brought for a first reading in November:

- Approved: Policies 203, 209, 306, 511, 519, 613, and 703.

**Closed Session:** A closed session was held to consider strategy for labor negotiations.