

Call to Order

The regular meeting of the School Board of District #477 was called to order by Board Chair Deb Ulm on the **6th day of January 2026, at 6:14 p.m.** in the District Center Board Room.

Roll Call: Members Present: Deb Ulm, Dawn Bourdeaux, Jennifer Super, Melissa Lynch, Eric Minks, and Scott Bowman, and Eric Strandberg.

Others present: Superintendent Pat Devine, Director of Business Services Michelle Czech, and Student Council Representatives Camila Sanchez and Mick Dudek.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: None

REPORTS **Board committee meeting(s) and school events each Board member attended.**

Eric Strandberg None

Scott Bowman None

Dawn Bourdeaux Agenda Planning

Deb Ulm Agenda Planning

Eric Minks None

Melissa Lynch Princeton Chamber Series

Jen Super None

Student Council Report: Intermediate is continuing to learn about their emotions and how to handle them, and this month's focus is positivity. The high school one act play performance is coming up. This week is the annual friends of the music department variety show.

Superintendent Report: Scott Bowman received a certificate from MSBA for completing the MSBA training series. There was some concerning weather during winter break and this week so that resulted in a flex learning day. The review and comment for a potential May referendum

is getting its final touches before submission to MDE next week.

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion made by Melissa Lynch, seconded by Dawn Bourdeax, ***to approve the agenda as presented.*** Motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSS and ACT on PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Motion made by Jen Super seconded by Melissa Lynch, ***to approve the December 16th work session minutes and December 16th closed board meeting minutes as presented.*** Motion passed unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Scott Bowman, seconded by Eric Strandberg, ***to approve the consent agenda as presented.*** Motion passed unanimously. Personnel, bills, and gifts were approved.

INFORMATION

The board started their information session at 6:27 p.m. The items discussed were:

- Enrollment
- Review & Comment Update

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA- None

FUTURE MEETINGS

MSBA Conference - Jan 15-16

Agenda Planning - Jan 15, 12:00pm

Public Engagement Committee - Jan 20, 5:00pm

Work Session - Jan 20, 6:00pm

MOTION TO CLOSE BOARD MEETING TO DISCUSS NEGOTIATIONS STRATEGY

Motion made by Eric Minks, seconded by Eric Strandberg, ***to close the meeting pursuant to Minnesota Statutes Section 13D.05, Subdivision 3(c), for discussion of Negotiations Strategy, as presented.*** Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was called to order at 7:20 p.m.

ACTION

2025-2027 CUSTODIAN CONTRACT

Motion made by Melissa Lynch, seconded by Eric Minks to ***approve the 2025-2027 Custodian Contract as presented.*** Motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURN

Motion made by Eric Minks, seconded by Eric Strandberg, ***to adjourn the meeting.***
Motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Deb Ulm

Melissa Lynch

Recorder- Emily McKinnon