

Minutes of Special Board Meeting

Menahga Public School District No. 821

Tuesday, February 25, 2025, 6:30 PM, HS Media Center

The February 25, 2025 special meeting of the Menahga Public School board called to order by Chair Haverinen at 6:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board members present: Andrea Haverinen, Julia Kicker, Katie Howard, Sara Makela and David Treinen. Others present: ES Principal Lisa Parrish and Superintendent Jay Kjos. Attending Virtually: Cherie Peterson Location: 1908 75th Street Northwest, Bradenton, FL 34209

Motion by Katie Howard to adopt the agenda as presented. Seconded by Julia Kicker and Carried unanimously.

Dave Lindquist and Don Schroeder presented information on a new public address system.

Lisa Parrish and Andria Bristow presented information on math committee curriculum work.

Motion by Andrea Haverinen to remove the following from the consent agenda: 1. January 27, 2025 regular meeting minutes; February 3, 2025 policy committee meeting minutes; February 10, 2025 special meeting minutes and February 10, 2025 board work session minutes; 5. Freshwater Elections for Services; Seconded by Katie Howard and carried unanimously.

Motion by Julia Kicker to approve the following consent items:

2. Activity fund and monthly claims in the amount of \$6,548,785.61
 3. Notice of work assignment for Sophia Ylitalo, Paraprofessional, per EMM Paraprofessional Master Agreement, beginning February 28, 2025;
 4. Notice of work assignment for Alendra Ylitalo, Paraprofessional, per EMM Paraprofessional Master Agreement, beginning March 3, 2025;
- Seconded by David Treinen and carried unanimously.

Motion by Katie Howard to approve the Kenmark Invoices in the amount of \$814.00 as presented. Seconded by Sara Makela passed with 5-0-1 vote, David Treinen abstained.

Motion by Katie Howard to accept the resignation from McKenna Simonson, Paraprofessional, effective February 28, 2025. We thank McKenna for her 1.5 years of dedicated service to the students of our school. Seconded by David Treinen and carried unanimously.

Motion by Sara Makela to accept the resignation from Cody Pulju, Head Baseball Coach,

effective January 27, 2025. We thank Cody for his 2 years of dedicated service to the students of our school. Seconded by Katie Howard and carried unanimously.

Motion by Julia Kicker to approve the request for up to 12 weeks FMLA on or about August 25, 2025. Seconded by Katie Howard and carried unanimously.

Motion by David Treinen to approve the request for up to 12 weeks FMLA on or about May 1, 2025. Seconded by Katie Howard and carried unanimously.

Motion by Sara Makela to approve the FY25 Budget Revision update as presented. Seconded by David Treinen and carried unanimously.

Heidi Hagen presented the FY26 General Fund Revenue, Expenditure Assumption and Cost Containment Recommendation.

Motion by Katie Howard to approve the flexible learning survey to pass with eighty-four percent of respondents in favor of or neutral of passing the flexible learning school day. Seconded by David Treinen and carried unanimously.

The following resolution was introduced by Katie Howard:

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING DONATIONS

WHEREAS, MS 123B.02, Subd. 6 provides: "The board may receive, for the benefit of the district, bequests, donations, or gifts for any proper purpose and apply the same to the purpose designated. In that behalf, the board may act as trustee of any trust created for the benefit of the district, or for the benefit of pupils thereof, including trusts created to provide pupils of the district with advanced education after completion of high school, in the advancement of education."; and

WHEREAS, MS 465.03 provides: "Any city, county, school district or town may accept a grant or devise of real or personal property and maintain such property for the benefit of its citizens in accordance with the terms prescribed by the donor. Nothing herein shall authorize such acceptance or use for religious or sectarian purposes. Every such acceptance shall be by resolution of the governing body adopted by a two-thirds majority of its members, expressing such terms in full."; and

WHEREAS, every such acceptance shall be by resolution of the governing body adopted by a two-thirds majority of its members, expressing such terms in full;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the School Board of Menahga Public School Dist 821 gratefully accept the following donations as identified below: Tools for Schools Donation from: Mid Minnesota Builders Association; in the amount of 1,102.17. Resolution seconded by David Treinen and carried unanimously. The vote on adoption of the Resolution was as follows: voting aye: David Treinen, Cherie Peterson, Sara Makela, Julia Kicker, Andrea Haverinen, and Katie Howard.

voting nay:

absent:

Whereupon, said resolution was declared duly adopted.

Motion by Katie Howard to accept, with gratitude, the following grant(s); 2025 Agricultural Growth, Research, and Innovation Program First Bite Farm to School and Early Care Grant in the amount of \$2,500.00 Seconded by Julia Kicker and carried unanimously.

Motion by Julia Kicker to approve the first reading of the following policies as a first reading as amended; Policy 202 School Board Officers, Policy 203 Operation of the School Board - Governing Rules; Policy 203.1 School Board Procedures; Rules of order; Policy 203.2 Order of the Regular School Board Meeting; Policy 203.5 School Board Meeting Agenda; Policy 203.6 Consent Agendas. Seconded by Katie Howard and carried unanimously.

Motion by Katie Howard to adjourn the February 25, 2025 special meeting of the Menahga Public School board at 9:07 p.m. Seconded by Julia Kicker and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/

Katie Howard