

## Minutes of Regular Meeting

Board of Education Badger ISD 676  
PO Box 68, 110 Carpenter Avenue East, Badger, Minnesota 56714

### Regular Meeting

Monday, October 9, 2023 7:30 PM in the Business & Tech Room 29

Badger School Board Meeting information can be found online at our website: [www.badger.k12.mn.us](http://www.badger.k12.mn.us)

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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 7:47 p.m.), Jamie Isane, Brent Olson, Jeremy 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 in attendance;

#### 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 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.** Attachment: (2)

#### 6. Consent Agenda

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.** Attachments: (7)

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

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.** Attachments: (2)

Description: Ms. 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.

#### 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. Attachments: (2)

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

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)

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

see attachment.

Attachment: (1)

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

7.5. Superintendent

7.5.a. Miscellaneous Items to Report by Superintendent

Attachment: (1)

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)

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

Attachment: (1)

7.6.c. MN Comprehensive Assessment (MCA) Results

Attachments: (2)

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.

7.6.d. Dates of Interest; please see attachment

Attachment: (1)

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.

Attachment: (1)

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

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.

Attachments: (3)

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.

Attachment: (1)

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

Attachment: (1)

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.

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.

Attachments: (2)

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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