

The regular meeting of the Board of Education, Independent School District #595, East Grand Forks, Minnesota was held on Monday January 26, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. in Room 195 at Senior High.

Vice Board Chair King called the regular meeting to order, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Board members present: Hangsleben, Holweger, King and Larson
Board member absent: Brott, Perkerewicz

Holweger moved to approve the agenda as presented. Larson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Business Manager Afshari gave a finance update.

The Superintendent provided a comprehensive report that included updates on draft school calendars; a meet-and-confer meeting; notification that Nexus will present at the next board meeting as well as a potential proposal regarding the construction of a storage shed for the soccer program; a request from Sacred Heart to revisit the Girls Hockey Cooperative Agreement for the 2027–2028 school year; and a report on the recent cold-weather snap, which resulted in increased student absences for a variety of reasons.

Holweger moved to approve the consent agenda which contained the following items:

Approval of Minutes – Approve the minutes of the January 5, 2026 organizational/regular school board meeting.

**Personnel
Hires**

Marwa Ali, paraprofessional, SH, beginning January 26, 2026
Parker Case, evening custodian, CMS, beginning January 26, 2026
Lana Hammer, paraprofessional, CMS, beginning January 21, 2026
David Shaver, bus driver, district, beginning January 12, 2026
Asunción Smart, substitute cook/afterwave helper, district, beginning January 26, 2026

Separations

Employee A, paraprofessional, effective January 7, 2026, for failure to report to work
Employee B, paraprofessional, effective January 9, 2026 for failure to perform essential job duties

Retirements

James Enright, teacher, CMS, effective at the end of the 2025-26 school year.

At-Will Contracts

Kristi Devine, Health Aide, district, July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026

Extra-Curricular Assignments - Updates to extra-curricular assignments

Miscellaneous Payments - Approve December 28, 2025 Miscellaneous Payments in the amount of \$23,733.60 and January 13, 2026 Miscellaneous Payments in the amount of \$8,360.19.

Policy Adoption – First Reading of Policy 799

Hangsleben seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

King moved to approve the resolution awarding the issuance and sale of general obligation school building refunding bonds, series 2026A, in the original aggregate principal amount of \$9,080,00; fixing their form and specifications; directing their execution and delivery; providing for their payment; providing for the escrowing and investment of King moved to accept donations to the school district in the amount of \$24,562.98 as presented and attached. Holweger seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Holweger moved to approve the payment of the K-12 bills #130913 through #131038 as follows:

FUND	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL
01	General	\$272,054.31
02	Food Service	\$35,825.98
04	Community Ed	\$3,100.51
14	Community Services	\$2,136.66
21	Student Activities	\$250.00
TOTAL		\$313,367.46

Larson seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. The bills are on file in the Superintendent's Office.

The next regular school board meeting will be held on February 9, 2026, at 5:30 p.m.

King moved to adjourn the regular meeting of the Board of Education at 5:56 P.M. Holweger seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Lindsey King
Board Vice Chair