Independent School District 834 – Stillwater Area Public Schools Oak Park Learning Center, 6355 Osman Ave N, Stillwater, MN 55082 Business Meeting, Tuesday, November 26, 2024 6:00 PM

- I. Recognition: Volunteers for Elementary School Literacy (VESL) assists teachers by providing personalized instruction to students that require an additional focus on reading.
- II. Public Comment: No speakers
- III. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:16 p.m.
- IV. Roll Call: Present: Pete Kelzenberg, Chris Lauer, Beverly Petrie, Alison Sherman, Andrew Thelander; Absent: Katie Hockert
- V. Pledge of Allegiance
- VI. Approval of Agenda: Motion made by Sherman and second by Thelander, Carried 5-0.
- VII. Student Report: Ainsley and Maysen were able to collaborate directly with peers from across the state at the MSBA Student School Board Development Event. Junior students had an occupational test drive day. Many talented students participated in the fall concerts and plays. The winter sports have begun.
- VIII. Superintendent Report: The district has a new Literacy Committee which is reviewing curriculum approved by the Minnesota Department of Education for our elementary literacy program. There will be an open house on January 17 at the Oak Park Learning Center for the public to review the curriculum. beginning mid-December, we are starting a student advisory group of high school students in grades 9-12.
 - IX. Chair Report: Our student representatives are doing a good job of being involved in the dialogue and conversation of the board meetings.
 - X. Consent Agenda: A.School Board Meeting Minutes, September 24, 2024; B.School Board Meeting Minutes, October 22, 2024; C. School Board Meeting Minutes, November 12, 2024; D. School Board Meeting Minutes, November 18, 2024; E. Payment of Invoices November 9-22, 2024; F. Proposed Substitute Rates; G. MOA; H. Human Resources Personnel Report. Motion by Petre to approve items A-G and second by Lauer; carried 5-0.
 - XI. Strategic Direction C: Utilize Systems and Align Resources in an Efficient Manner to Support Learning.
 - A. Report: Cell Phone Presentation. As the school board prepares to adopt a new student cell phone use policy in March, they took time to learn about the "why" behind such policies. A speaker from the Phone-Free Schools Movement provided statistics and research from schools across the nation that have already implemented policies limiting the use of phones and personal devices in school.
 - B. Report: Second Reading Policy 802-Disposition of Obsolete Equipment and Material. There have been no changes since the first reading on November 12, 2024.
 - C. Action: Approval of Policy 802-Disposition of Obsolete Equipment and Material. Motion by Sherman, second by Lauer, carried 5-0.
 - D. Action: 2025-26 School Board Meeting Dates. The 2025 school board meetings will begin at 5:30 p.m. Motion by Kelzenberg, second by Thelander, carried 5-0.
- XII. Strategic Direction A: Ensure the Learning Process is Adaptable to Meet Individual Student Needs, Foster a Safe, Welcoming and Inclusive Environment for All Staff and Students.
 - A. Action: Calendar Proposal for the school year 2026-27. Motion by Sherman, second by Kelzenberg, carried 5-0.
 - B. Report: Stillwater Area High School Course Proposals. School board members reviewed proposals for new courses that high school staff would like to offer next year. The board votes on the courses at its next meeting.
 - C. Action: Amendment to the 2023-2026 Achievement Integration Plan. Brookview Elementary was recently identified as a racially isolated school. The amended plan addresses goals and strategies to better support learning for all the students at Brookview. Motion by Sherman, second by Thelander, carried 5-0.
- XIII. Strategic Direction B: Foster a Safe, Welcoming and Inclusive Environment for All Staff and Students. Nothing to report.
- XIV. Strategic Direction D: Develop Strong Partnerships with the Communities We Serve. Nothing to

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report. Adjournment A. The meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m. Respectfully submitted, Beverly Petrie, Board Clerk