

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 283

September 12, 2023, at 6:30 PM

Regular Meeting

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. 283 of St. Louis Park, Hennepin County, Minnesota, convened at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 12, 2023, in St. Louis Park Public Schools - Central Community Center. Present: Abdihakim Ibrahim, Colin Cox, Heather Wilsey, Anne Casey, Virginia Mancini, Sarah Davis, and Ken Morrison.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Anne Casey called the regular session meeting to order at 6:30 PM in the St. Louis Park Public Schools - Central Community Center and by the use of District Teleconferencing.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Board Chair Casey recited the Land Acknowledgement “We are gathered on the land of the Dakota and Ojibwe peoples. I ask you to join me in acknowledging the Dakota and Ojibwe community, their elders, both past and present, as well as future generations. St. Louis Park Public Schools also acknowledges that it was founded upon exclusions and erasures of many Indigenous Peoples, including those on whose land this school district is located. This acknowledgment demonstrates a commitment to dismantling the ongoing legacies of colonial power and the district’s desire to support the ongoing work of local Indigenous communities to thrive in our schools.”

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The special meeting agenda was presented for approval. *Motion by Davis, seconded by Cox, to approve the meeting agenda. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.*

Board Chair Casey made the following motion and moved its adoption: WHEREAS, the Superintendent of Schools, Astein Osei, submitted his resignation on September 11, 2023; and WHEREAS, Article III, Section 4 of the Employment Agreement with the Superintendent allows for termination of the Agreement by mutual agreement of the parties. NOW THEREFORE, I move to (1) accept Dr. Osei’s resignation from his employment with the District, with an effective date of September 15, 2023; and (2) appoint Tami Reynolds as acting Superintendent. *Motion made by Casey and seconded by Mancini to accept Superintendent Astein Osei's resignation. Roll Call vote, the following voted in favor: Mancini, Morrison, Davis, Cox, Ibrahim, Wilsey, and Casey.*

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Paul Danicic and Jerry Timian from the Park Nicollet Foundation provided an overview of the foundation’s partnership with St. Louis Park Public Schools.

Tami Reynolds, Director of Student Services, provided an update on the start of the school year.

Board Chair Casey presented an overview of Policy 806 Crisis Management as a second read.

ACTION AGENDA

At the recommendation of Board Chair Casey, a *motion by Ibrahim, seconded by Morrison, to approve Policy 806 Crisis Management, as presented. All in favor. Motion carried unanimously.*

COMMUNICATION AND TRANSMITTALS

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was heard and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Submitted by
Barb Mumm
Temporary Executive Assistant to the Board

Signed: Chair _____ Clerk _____

Date _____ Date _____