

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 273
OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 14, 2025

REGULAR MEETING
7:00 PM

Edina Community Center Room 349
5701 Normandale Road, Edina

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

ABSENT:

Ms. Erica Allenburg
Mr. Dan Arom
Ms. Cheryl Barry
Mr. Michael Birdman
Ms. Karen Gabler
Ms. Jennifer Huwe
Mr. Elliot Mann

PRESIDING OFFICER: Chair Karen Gabler

7:01 PM - 8:02 PM

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Daniel Bittman, Superintendent
Nate Swenson, Assistant Superintendent
Dr. Frannie Becquer, Director of Achievement Equity and Multilingual Learner Programming
Jody De St. Hubert, Director of Teaching and Learning
Daphne Edwards, Director of Marketing and Communications
Dr. Anne Marie Leland, Director of Community Education and Strategic Partnerships
Jody Remsing, Director of Student Support Services
Sonya Sailer, Executive Director of Human Resources
Mert Woodard, Director of Finance and Operations

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Ms. Karen Gabler, Chair

Ms. Cheryl Barry, Clerk

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA

PUBLIC HEARING

HEARING FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

CONSENT

- A. Minutes: *June 1-2 retreat; June 9 work session and regular meeting*
- B. Personnel Recommendations
- C. Check Register - June 2025
- D. Electronic Fund Transfers - June 2025
- E. Gifts and Bequests – June 2025
- F. Supplementary Special Education Transportation Contract Awards
- G. 2025 Board Roles, Committees, Liaisons & Representatives
- H. Minnesota State High School League (MSHSL) Membership
- I. 2025-2026 Minnesota School Boards Association (MSBA) Membership
- J. 2025-2026 Association of Metropolitan School Districts (AMSD) Membership
- K. Elementary Literacy Adoption Update: Benchmark Advance 2026 Edition
- L. Student Support Services Agreement(s)
 - 1. Fraser

DISCUSSION

- A. State of the District Update
- B. Policy Review (113, 414, 415, 533, 806)

ACTION

- A. Operating Referendum Renewal
- B. Long-Term Facilities Maintenance Plan – Fiscal Years 2027-2036
- C. 2025-2025 School Board Goals
- D. 2025-2026 Superintendent Goals
- E. Policy Review – Rapid (208)
- F. Policy Review (522, 530, 532)

LEADERSHIP AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATES

INFORMATION

- A. Investment Summary - June 2024

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:02 PM. The minutes and resolutions are open to public inspection on the district website, and on file at the district office, 5701 Normandale Road.

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Member Mann moved and Member Arom seconded to approve the agenda. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

Member Birdman moved and Member Allenburg seconded to recess the meeting. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

MEETING RECESSED at 7:03 PM

Operating Referendum Renewal Public Hearing: Director Woodard presented information about the Operating Referendum Renewal.

MEETING RESUMED at 7:06 PM

CONSENT

Member Arom moved and Member Mann seconded to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

The resolutions were:

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DISCUSSION

State of the District Update: Dr. Bittman an update on the State of the District, highlighting key accomplishments from the 2024-2025 school year and outlining strategic priorities for the 2025-2026 school year.

Policy Review (113, 414, 415, 533, 806): Policy Committee members presented the following policies for discussion. These policies will move forward for approval at the next regular meeting.

- Policy 113 Data Requests
- Policy 414 Mandated Reporting of Child Neglect or Physical or Sexual Abuse

- Policy 415 Mandated Reporting of Maltreatment of Vulnerable Adults
- Policy 533 Student Wellness – Food, Nutrition and Physical Activity
- Policy 806 Emergency Management

ACTION

Operating Referendum Renewal: Member Birdman moved and Member Mann seconded to approve the motion. All members voted Aye by roll call. The motion passed unanimously.

Long-Term Facilities Maintenance Plan – Fiscal Years 2027-2036: Member Mann moved and Member Birdman seconded to approve the motion. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

2025-2026 School Board Goals: Member Birdman moved and Member Allenburg seconded to approve the motion. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

2025-2026 Superintendent Goals: Member Mann moved and Member Arom seconded to approve the motion. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

Policy Review – Rapid (208): Member Allenburg moved and Member Mann seconded to approve the motion. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

- Policy 208 Development, Adoption, and Implementation of Policies

Policy Review (522, 530, 532): Member Mann moved and Member Birdman seconded to approve the motion. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

- Policy 522 Title IX Sex Nondiscrimination Policy, Grievance Procedure and Process
- Policy 530 Immunization Requirements
- Policy 532 Use of Crisis Teams and Peace Officers to Remove Students with Individualized Education Programs (IEPs) from School Grounds

LEADERSHIP AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

Chair Gabler thanked Member Arom for leading the June meetings.

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATES

Dr. Bittman shared a number of updates: summer programming has been going well; he attended a regional meeting of mayors and other local superintendents; he met with the Parent Leadership Council's (PLC) executive board to plan for the 2025-2026 school year; he has continued to meet with Chair gabler and Vice Chair Allenburg to develop a successful plan for this year; and he thanked Member Birdman for joining him and others at the annual 4th of July Parade.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:02 PM, Member Birdman moved, and Member Mann seconded to adjourn the meeting. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.