

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 273
OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MAY 11, 2026

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
Mr. Elliot Mann

Ms. Jennifer Huwe

PRESIDING OFFICER: Chair Karen Gabler

7:02 PM - 8:17 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
Sonya Sailer, Executive Director of Human Resources
Mert Woodard, Director of Finance and Operations

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Ms. Karen Gabler, Chair

Ms. Erica Allenburg, Clerk

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DISTRICT 273 EDINA, MINNESOTA MAY 11, 2026

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA

EXCELLENCE IN ACTION

HEARING FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

PRESENTATION

CONSENT

- A. Minutes: *April 13 work session and regular meetings; April 21 work session*
- B. Personnel Recommendations
- C. Termination and Non-Renewal of Probationary Teachers
- D. Check Register - April 2026
- E. Electronic Fund Transfers - April 2026
- F. Gifts and Bequests - April 2026
- G. Food Service Management Contract - Fiscal Year 2027
- H. Designation of Identified Official with Authority for the MDE External User Access Recertification System
- I. Amended Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for Teacher Evaluation & Alternative Compensation Program
- J. READ Act Professional Development/Training Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
- K. Spain 2027 International Travel Experience Adjustment
- L. Lease Agreement with West Metro Credit Union

DISCUSSION

- A. Preliminary Budget - Fiscal Year 2027
- B. Spanish Dual Language (SDL): Middle School Placement
- C. Policy Review (113, 506, 806, 810)

ACTION

- A. Intermediate School District No. 287 - Long-Term Facilities Maintenance Expenditure Budget - Fiscal Year 2028
- B. Policy Review (515, 708, 812)

LEADERSHIP AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATES

INFORMATION

- A. Enrollment Mobility - April 2026
- B. Expenditure Summary - April 2026

C. Investment Summary - April2026

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:17 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 Arom moved and Member Birdman seconded to approve the agenda. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

EXCELLENCE IN ACTION

Creek Valley second grade teacher Jenn Rauen and 4th grade teacher Emily Torgerson shared how they use Leader in Me in their classrooms to support goal getting, social emotional learning, and student leadership.

HEARING FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

One community member spoke about after-school care.

PRESENTATION

Stephanie Francis-Jones, executive director of Edina Give and Go, presented information about the year in review, including information about their impact, students served, and community partnerships.

CONSENT

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

The resolutions were:

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DISCUSSION

Preliminary Budget - Fiscal Year 2027: The preliminary fiscal year 2027 budget was discussed, and it is expected to be brought back to the Board for approval in June.

Spanish Dual Language (SDL): Middle School Placement: Dr. Bittman and board members discussed placement of the Spanish Dual Language program at the middle school level. The recommendation to place the program at South View Middle School is expected in June.

Policy Review (113, 506, 806, 810): 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 506 Student Conduct and Discipline
- Policy 806 Emergency Management
- Policy 810 Safety and Security of Students, Employees, Visitors, Buildings, and Grounds

ACTION

Intermediate School District No. 287 – Long-Term Facilities Maintenance Expenditure Budget – Fiscal Year 2028: Member Birdman moved and Member Mann seconded to approve the motion. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

Policy Quick Review (515, 708, 812) Member Arom moved and Member Mann seconded to approve the motion. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.

- Policy 515 Protection and Privacy of Student Records
- Policy 708 Expense Reimbursement
- Policy 812 Health and Environmental Safety Program

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATES

Dr. Bittman commented about the time of year, exciting for families, the community, and staff, and the culminating activities

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:17 PM, Member Mann moved, and Member Arom seconded to adjourn the meeting. All members voted Aye. The motion passed unanimously.