

MINUTES OF THE LEWISTON-ALTURA REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
ISD #857
June 10, 2024

A regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District #857 was held on June 10, 2024 at 6:00pm in the High School Library. Members present were Bree Maki, Jenny Koverman, Daniel Kreidermacher, David Baer, Sara Daley, Dave Pringle and Sarah Sommer.

Chair Maki called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Sommer and seconded by Baer to approve the meeting agenda. MCU.

For the Open Forum, Holly Burt expressed her support for the district to move forward with an operating levy and building bond referendum.

Holly Burt presented an update on The Cardinal Foundation. Fund raising is going well and they are now ready to accept grant applications. Foundation volunteers planted 10 trees on the grounds that were donated, and Lewiston Rentals donated the use of equipment.

The Board discussed the possibility of a \$760/student operating levy in November. It was the consensus of the Board to have an agenda item at the July 8th meeting to formally call for an operating levy election.

The Board discussed the possibility of a building bond referendum in November. It was the consensus of the Board to have an agenda item at the July 8th meeting to formally call for a building bond election. Motion by Sommer and seconded by Pringle to authorize InGensa, Inc. to submit the required Review and Comment to the MN Department of Education on the district's behalf. MCU.

Deb Marcotte, Executive Director of the Hiawatha Valley Education District, presented an update on HVED's services and plans for the renovation of the Winona Mall to be a single site for HVED staff and Level IV programs.

Motion by Koverman and seconded by Sommer to approve the Consent Agenda. MCU.

Motion by Pringle, seconded by Baer to approve the FY25 budget of \$10,513,653 in total revenues, and \$10,502,133 in total expenditures. MCU.

Motion by Sommer, seconded by Koverman to approve the 2024-2025 Support Staff Handbook.

Motion by Kreidermacher, seconded by Daley to approve the 2024-2025 Bus and Supplemental Driver Handbook.

Motion by Baer and seconded by Pringle to approve Policies 501 School Weapons Policy, 707 Transportation of Public School Students, 707.1 Transportation Pick-Up Policy and 710 Extra-Curricular Transportation on a first reading. MCU.

Motion by Sommer and seconded by Koverman to approve Resolution Relating to the Election of the School Board Members and Calling the School District General Election. MCU.

Dr. Hanson presented information on behalf of Ms. Behrendt regarding a student trip to Costa Rica the summer of 2025. Motion by Pringle, second by Baer to approve the trip. MCU.

Reports were presented by Principal Riebel, Principal Hanson and Superintendent Carman, including Dashir's monthly updates.

Motion by Pringle and seconded by Kreidermacher to enter Closed Session for the purpose of discussing the possible sale of district property and the evaluation of the Superintendent at 7:36pm. MCU.

Motion by Pringle and seconded by Daley to reopen the meeting at 8:40pm. MCU.

Motion by Baer, seconded by Koverman to adjourn the meeting at 8:41pm. MCU.

Dave Pringle, Clerk