

Regular School Board Meeting

Monday, May 11, 2026 7:00 PM

BOARDROOM, 200 Highway 55 E, Maple Lake, Minnesota 55358

Natalie Anderson: Present
Kaitlyn Helmbrecht: Present
Liz Lind: Present
Scott Mavencamp: Present
Joe Paumen: Present
Jen Rasset: Present
Branson Thomas: Present

1. Call meeting to order

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. "District #881 is Proud of"

Presenter: Rowe

4. (INFORMATIONAL) Recognition of visitors

Discussion:

- Mike Rowe
- Amelia Gapinski
- Lisa Rademacher
- Anna Reedy
- Dave Hansen
- Officer Hoffman
- Tara & Matthew Howard
- Marie Halloran
- Tanya Malwitz
- Ethan Paumen
- Brenda Erdahl
- Rachael Dale
- Breanna Grieve
- Jessica Wanka

5. (ACTION) Approve the agenda for the regular school board meeting held on Monday, May 11, 2026.

Action(s):

Motion to approve the agenda for the regular school board meeting held on Monday, May 11, 2026. This motion, made by Natalie Anderson and seconded by Branson Thomas, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Natalie Anderson: Yea
Kaitlyn Helmbrecht: Yea
Liz Lind: Yea
Scott Mavencamp: Yea
Joe Paumen: Yea
Jen Rasset: Yea
Branson Thomas: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 7, Nay: 0

6. **(ACTION) Approve the consent agenda for the regular school board meeting held on Monday, May 11, 2026 (See Exhibit 1 - Consent Agenda; April 13, 2026, Minutes; Board Checks; Manual Checks; Operating Investments; OPEB Investments, Technology Bond Investments, Monthly Donations, Payroll Contribution Checks) ROLL CALL VOTE**

Action(s):

Motion to approve the consent agenda for the regular school board meeting held on Monday, May 11, 2026. This motion, made by Liz Lind and seconded by Scott Mavencamp, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Natalie Anderson:	Yea
Kaitlyn Helmbrecht:	Yea
Liz Lind:	Yea
Scott Mavencamp:	Yea
Joe Paumen:	Yea
Jen Rasset:	Yea
Branson Thomas:	Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 7, Nay: 0

7. **(INFORMATIONAL) Open Forum**

8. **(7:10) Unfinished Business**

- 8.A. 2025–2026 School Enrollment

- 8.B. School Safety Update

- 8.C. Teacher Evaluation

Action(s):

Motion to approve 2025–2026 district evaluation cycle. This motion, made by Branson Thomas and seconded by Jen Rasset, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Natalie Anderson:	Yea
Kaitlyn Helmbrecht:	Yea
Liz Lind:	Yea
Scott Mavencamp:	Yea
Joe Paumen:	Yea
Jen Rasset:	Yea
Branson Thomas:	Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 7, Nay: 0

- 8.D. Food Service

- 8.E. Superintendent Evaluation

- 8.F. IAQ Possible Projects

9. (7:20) New Business

9.A. Fund 6 Technology Requests

Action(s):

Motion to approve the recommendation from the Technology Committee to fill technology requests using Fund 6 for the 2025-26 school year for a total of \$14,832. This motion, made by Branson Thomas and seconded by Joe Paumen, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Natalie Anderson: Yea
Kaitlyn Helmbrecht: Yea
Liz Lind: Yea
Scott Mavencamp: Yea
Joe Paumen: Yea
Jen Rasset: Yea
Branson Thomas: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 7, Nay: 0

9.B. MLE Student/Parent Handbook

Action(s):

Motion to approve the Maple Lake Elementary Student/Parent Handbook for the 2026-2027 school year. This motion, made by Natalie Anderson and seconded by Kaitlyn Helmbrecht, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Natalie Anderson: Yea
Kaitlyn Helmbrecht: Yea
Liz Lind: Yea
Scott Mavencamp: Yea
Joe Paumen: Yea
Jen Rasset: Yea
Branson Thomas: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 7, Nay: 0

9.C. Dissolution of the Volleyball coop

Action(s):

Motion to approve dissolution of the Volleyball Coop with Holy Spirit academy due to their request to start their own program. This motion, made by Liz Lind and seconded by Joe Paumen, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Natalie Anderson: Yea
Kaitlyn Helmbrecht: Yea
Liz Lind: Yea
Scott Mavencamp: Yea
Joe Paumen: Yea
Jen Rasset: Yea
Branson Thomas: Yea

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9.D. May State of the School

10. (7:45) Representative Reports

10.A. District Leadership Team - Natalie Anderson

Discussion:

- They discussed the latest workshop day – AI at different levels and how to teach kids how to properly use it.
- Discussed when to turn chromebooks into the technology department for the end of the year.
- Q-Comp stipend

10.B. ECFE/Community Education - Liz Lind

Discussion: The committee did not meet.

10.C. Food Service Committee- Branson Thomas

Discussion: The committee did not meet.

10.D. Meeker and Wright Special Ed Co-Op - Jen Rasset

Discussion:

- They took a tour Sholund School for Girls in Annadale Minnesota.
- Servicing girls in grades 7-12.
- Currently, they have between 7-13 students.

10.E. Minnesota State High School League - Liz Lind

Discussion: The committee did not meet.

10.F. Safe Schools Committee - Kaitlyn Helmbrecht

Discussion: They discussed the importance of taking care of yourself and supporting your co-workers, especially recognizing signs that someone may not be doing as well as they appear, in honor of Mental Health Awareness Month.

10.G. Technology Committee - Branson Thomas

Discussion:

- Chromebook turn in dates are:
Elem: 5/28/26 and HS: 5/22/26
- Next year for MCA testing, they will be using individual student chromebooks instead of the cart.

10.H. Wright Technical Center - Joe Paumen

Discussion:

- They had an Open House
- Health Science position was filled.
- Interviewing for the Construction position this week.
- Cap funding requests for repairs to the building.

10.I. Elementary School - Anna Reedy

Discussion:

- **We wrapped up all of our state testing last week.**
- **Sixth graders had a great time at Wolf Ridge last week.**
- **Our 5-6th graders have their final music concert on Thursday this week. Fifth grade at 6pm, sixth grade at 7:30pm.**

- Staff will have their final professional development day on Friday, May 15, including training on instructional differentiation for our multilingual learners.
- We are looking forward to our annual Track & Field Day on Friday, May 22. We are hoping for great weather. If needed, the make-up date is scheduled for Friday, May 29.
- Kindergarten Graduation is scheduled for Tuesday, June 2, in the library: Mrs. Tongen at 8:45am, Mrs. Spaulding at 9:30am, and Mrs. Schrupp at 11:45am. Sixth Grade Graduation is scheduled for Wednesday, June 3, in the auditorium beginning at 1:45pm-this will also be the 6th graders' last day of school!
- All other students have their last day Thursday, June 4.

- 10.J. High School - Dave Hansen
Discussion: 1. Co-Curricular Awards - Wednesday, May 20
 2. Irish Pride Adventures - May 28
 a. Valleyfair
 b. Camp Courage
 c. Whispering Pines
 d. Canoeing
 3. Battle of the Rube Goldberg Machines - May 29
 4. JH & SH Choir Concert - Monday, June 1
 5. Senior Awards Night - June 2 at 7:30pm
 6. Graduation - June 4 at 8:00pm
 a. Board members shake hands once students get diplomas
 b. Please be here by 7:15 to pass out programs

11. (7:55) Committee Reports

- 11.A. Activities Committee - Lind, Thomas, Mavencamp
- 11.B. Building and Grounds Committee - Paumen, Helmbrecht, Mavencamp
- 11.C. Confidential Staff Committee - Rasset, Anderson, Thomas
- 11.D. Finance and Programs Committee - Helmbrecht, Rasset, Anderson
- 11.E. Licensed Staff Committee - Helmbrecht, Anderson, Paumen
- 11.F. Support Staff Committee - Anderson, Lind, Mavencamp

12. (8:20) Set Meeting Dates

13. (8:25) Other Business

- 13.A. Mail
- 13.B. Upcoming Meetings
- 13.B.1. Co-Curricular Awards Night is Wednesday, May

20 at 7:00 p.m.

13.B.2. Senior Awards Night is on Tuesday, June 2, at 7:30 p.m.

13.B.3. Commencement at 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 4, 2026, in the High School Gymnasium.

13.B.4. Regular School Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, June 8, 2026, in the Boardroom.

13.C. Miscellaneous Information

14. (8:40) Adjourn

Action(s):

Motion to adjourn the board meeting held on May 11th, 2026 at 7:48pm. This motion, made by Natalie Anderson and seconded by Branson Thomas, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Natalie Anderson:	Yea
Kaitlyn Helmbrecht:	Yea
Liz Lind:	Yea
Scott Mavencamp:	Yea
Joe Paumen:	Yea
Jen Rasset:	Yea
Branson Thomas:	Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 7, Nay: 0

Board Secretary