Tri-County School District ISD #2358

Tri-County School Board Regular meeting
Wednesday, June 10, 2026
School Library
303 Pembina Trail
Karlstad, MN 56732

PRELIMINARY AGENDA for the Tri-County School Board Regular meeting to be held in the School Library
303 Pembina Trail
Karlstad, MN 56732 on Wednesday, June 10, 2026 at 6:00 PM.

1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call
3. We are Proud
   None at this time.
4. Approve Agenda
5. Citizen Comments
6. Action on Previous Minutes
7. Pay Claims
   Documentation on table 1/2 hour prior to the regular meeting
   Audit Committee: **Helling & Hanson**
8. Reports & Information
   a. Boards & Committees
   b. Principal
   c. Superintendent
   d. ICS review of LTFM Plan and Board approved Bonding Plan
9. Action
   a. Field Trip / Event Requests
      None at this time.
   b. Accept Gifts/Donations
   c. Adopt the preliminary Fiscal Year 2027 (2026-2027 school year) Budget.
   d. Adopt MSHSL Resolution for membership renewal
   e. Renew Membership in Minnesota Rural Education Association (MREA).
   f. Renew Membership in Minnesota School Board Association (MSBA).
   g. Adopt Resolution to approve the 10-year LTFM Plan and Intent to Issue Bonds
   h. Approve the MOU in regards to Dental Insurance Language with Teacher Union
   i. Designation of Superintendent of Schools as the Identified Official with Authority (IOwA) to authorize user access to MDE secure website(s) for the Tri-County School District
10. Future Meetings & Information
11. Adjourn

2026-2027 PROPOSED BUDGET

	General Fund	Food Service	Community Ed	Debt Service	Activity Fund
Revenues	$ 4,046,376.00	$ 179,586.00	$ 55,633.00	$ 324,410.00	$ -
Expenditures	$ 4,104,961.00	$ 189,888.00	$ 28,938.00	$ 331,445.00	$ -
Balance	$ (58,585.00)	$ (10,302.00)	$ 26,695.00	$ (7,035.00)	$ -

2025-2026 Revised Budget

	General Fund	Food Service	Community Ed	Debt Service	Activity Fund
Revenues	$ 4,133,918.00	$ 202,222.00	$ 54,759.00	$ 320,365.00	$ 60,052.00
Expenditures	$ 4,220,159.00	$ 213,738.00	$ 28,938.00	$ 251,445.00	$ 73,643.00
Balance	$ (86,241.00)	$ (11,516.00)	$ 25,821.00	$ 68,920.00	$ (13,591.00)

Assumptions:

Bus Garage budget was left in FY26, will be fully complete in FY27.

No Bus purcahse in FY27 budget.

Budget will once again be reviewed and revised late winter.

Activity fund is based on fundraisers, and does not affect the other funds, and will incur expenditures, what, and they cannot spend what they don't have.

	Total
$	4,606,005.00
$	4,655,232.00
$	(49,227.00)

	Total
$	4,771,316.00
$	4,787,923.00
$	(16,607.00)

no way to know

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2026-2027 RESOLUTION FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE MINNESOTA STATE HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE
Membership Renewal Form

This form must be completed once for each school in the district.

Must be completed and submitted to MSHSL NOT LATER THAN JULY 31, 2026. Retain one copy for the school files.

RESOLVED, that the Governing Board or Entity of Tri-County High School (Name of School) located in the State of Minnesota delegates the control, supervision and regulation of interscholastic activities and athletics (referred to in MN Statutes, Section 128C.01) to the Minnesota State High School League, and so hereby certifies to the State Commissioner of Education as provided for by Minnesota Statutes.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the school listed is authorized by this, the Governing Board of said school district or school to renew its membership in the Minnesota State High School League; and to participate in the approved interscholastic activities and athletics sponsored by said League and its various subdivisions.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Governing Board or Entity hereby adopts the Constitution, Bylaws, Policies, Rules and Regulations of said League and all amendments thereto as the same as are published in the latest edition of the League's *Official Handbook*, on file at the office of the school district or school, or as appears on the League's website, as the minimum standards governing participation in said League-sponsored activities and athletics. Further, the administration and responsibility for determining student eligibility and for the supervision of such activities and athletics are assigned to the official representatives identified by this Governing Board or Entity.

Signing this Resolution for Membership affirms that this Governing Board has reviewed all required membership materials provided by the League which defines the purpose and value of education-based activity and athletic and programs and defines each member school's responsibilities.

Member schools must develop and publicize administrative procedures to address eligibility suspensions related to Student Code of Responsibilities (Bylaw 206.2) violations for students participating in activity and athletic programs by member schools.

The above Resolution was adopted by the Governing Board or Entity of this school or district and is recorded in the official minutes of said Board and hereby is certified to the State Commissioner of Education as provided for by law.

The following is taken from the MSHSL Constitution:

208.00 LOCAL CONTROL

208.01 Designated School Representatives
At the beginning of the League's fiscal year, the governing board of each member school shall designate two (2) representatives who are authorized to vote for the member school at all district, region and section meetings and on mail ballots where member schools are called upon to vote.

One of the designated representatives shall be a member of the school's governing board and the other shall be an administrator or full-time faculty member of the member school.

In school districts with multiple schools, the designated representative from the school district's governing body may represent more than one school and is entitled to one vote for each school they represent.

208.02 Designated Activity Representatives
At the beginning of the League's fiscal year, the governing board of each member school shall select individuals to represent its school in the following areas: (a) boys sports; (b) girls sports; (c) speech; and (d) music.

208.03 Local Advisory Committee
Each school is urged to form an advisory committee for League activities. Committee membership is not limited to but shall include a school board member, a student, a parent, and a faculty member, to advise the designated school representatives on all matters relating to the school's membership in the MSHSL.

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Tri-County High School

Name of School (Please Print)

208.01 VOTE ON BEHALF OF THE HIGH SCHOOL

Mark Koland

(Designated School Board Member – please print)

mark.koland@tricounty.k12.mn.us

Email Address

Gary Taylor

(Designated School Representative – please print)

gary_taylor@tricounty.k12.mn.us

Email Address

208.02 ACTIVITY REPRESENTATIVES

Sean Spilde

(Boys Sports – please print)

Melissa Thompson

(Girls Sports – please print)

NA

(Speech – please print)

Emma Campbell

(Music – please print)

208.03 LOCAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Karrah Oliver

(Board Member—please print)

Faith Efta

(Student—please print)

Tara Larson

(Parent—please print)

Mara Gust

(Faculty Member—please print)

Gary Taylor

(Mailing Representative—please print)

The Mailing Representative is the person to whom mailings go. This is usually the Activity Director.

Mark Koland

Print Name: (Clerk/Secretary - Local Governing Board)

Signed by: A5148EA9DC334F5...

Signed: (Clerk/Secretary - Local Governing Board)

5/28/2026

Date:

Kevin McKeever

Print Name: (Superintendent or Head of School)

Signed by: 3276021CDCC9455...

Signed: (Superintendent or Head of School)

5/28/2026

Date:

EXTRACT OF MINUTES OF A MEETING
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2358
(TRI-COUNTY AREA SCHOOLS)
KITTSON, ROSEAU AND MARSHALL COUNTIES, MINNESOTA

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof a regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. 2358 (Tri-County Area Schools), Kittson, Roseau and Marshall Counties, Minnesota, was held in the School District on June 10, 2026 at 6:00 o'clock p.m.

The following members were present:

and the following were absent:

Member _____ introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION STATING THE INTENTION OF THE SCHOOL BOARD TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION FACILITIES MAINTENANCE BONDS, SERIES 2027A, IN THE MAXIMUM AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF $4,000,000 AND TAKING OTHER ACTIONS WITH RESPECT THERETO

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board (the "Board") of Independent School District No. 2358 (Tri-County Area Schools), Kittson, Roseau and Marshall Counties, Minnesota (the "District"), as follows:

1. Background. It is hereby determined that:

(a) The District is authorized under the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 475, as amended (the "Act"), and Minnesota Statutes, Section 123B.595, as amended ("Section 123B.595"), to issue general obligation facilities maintenance bonds for the purpose of financing certain facilities and site maintenance projects approved by the Commissioner of Education (the "Commissioner").

(b) The Board hereby finds and determines that it is necessary and expedient to the sound financial management of the affairs of the District to issue its General Obligation Facilities Maintenance Bonds, Series 2027A (the "Bonds"), in the aggregate principal amount not to exceed $4,000,000, pursuant to the Act and Section 123B.595 to finance the costs of certain facilities and site maintenance projects of the District (the "Project") which are included in the District's ten-year facilities plan for Fiscal Year 2028 (the "Plan") and related financing costs.

(c) The Board hereby approves the Plan, which is incorporated in this Resolution as though fully specified herein, and authorizes and directs District staff and officials to submit the Plan to the Commissioner for approval, as well as any amendments to the Plan and the proposed issuance of the Bonds, as required by the Act and Section 123B.595. District staff and officials are further authorized and directed to submit to the Commissioner such additional information as may be necessary to secure such approval.

2. Covenant as to State Credit Enhancement.

(a) The District hereby covenants and obligates itself to notify the Commissioner of a potential default in the payment of principal and interest on the Bonds and to use the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.55 (the "Credit Enhancement Act") to guarantee payment of the principal and interest on the Bonds when due. The District further covenants to deposit with the paying agent for the Bonds (the "Paying Agent"), or any successor paying agent, three (3) days prior to the date on which a payment is due an amount sufficient to make that payment or to notify the Commissioner that it will be unable to make all or a portion of that payment. The Paying Agent is authorized and directed to notify the Commissioner if it becomes aware of a potential default in the payment of principal or interest on the Bonds or if, on the day two (2) business days prior to the date a payment is due on the Bonds, there are insufficient funds on deposit with the Paying Agent to make that payment. The District understands that as a result of its covenant to be bound by the provisions of the Credit Enhancement Act, the provisions of that section shall be binding as long as any Bonds of this issue remain outstanding.

(b) The District further covenants to comply with all procedures now and hereafter established by the Minnesota Departments of Management and Budget and Education pursuant to

subdivision 2(c) of the Credit Enhancement Act and otherwise to take such actions as necessary to comply with that section. The Board Chair, Clerk, Treasurer, Superintendent, or Business Manager of the District are authorized to execute any applicable Minnesota Department of Education forms.

3. Sale of Bonds. The Board has retained Ehlers and Associates, Inc. (the "Municipal Advisor"), to serve as the District's independent municipal advisor with respect to the offer and sale of the Bonds and, therefore, is authorized by Section 475.60, subdivision 2(9), of the Act to sell the Bonds other than pursuant to a competitive sale.

4. Acceptance of Proposal. The Board shall meet at the time specified in the Preliminary Official Statement or at such other time designated by the Board to receive and consider proposals for the purchase of the Bonds and take any other appropriate action with respect to the Bonds.

5. Authority of Municipal Advisor. The Municipal Advisor is authorized and directed to assist the District in the preparation and dissemination of a Preliminary Official Statement to be distributed to potential purchasers of the Bonds and to open, read, and tabulate the proposals for the purchase of the Bonds for presentation to the Board. The Municipal Advisor is further authorized and directed to assist the District in the award and sale of the Bonds on behalf of the District after receipt of written proposals and to assist the District in the preparation and dissemination of a final Official Statement with respect to the Bonds.

6. Authority of Bond Counsel. The law firm of Kennedy & Graven, Chartered, is authorized to act as bond counsel for the District ("Bond Counsel"), and to assist in the preparation and review of necessary documents, certificates, and instruments related to the Bonds. The officers, employees, and agents of the District are hereby authorized to assist Bond Counsel in the preparation of such documents, certificates, and instruments.

7. Notice of Issuance of Facilities Maintenance Bonds. The Clerk is authorized and directed to cause a notice substantially in the form of the Notice attached as EXHIBIT A hereto to be published as a legal notice one (1) time in the official newspaper of the District as soon as reasonably practicable after adoption of this Resolution, but in any event, at least twenty (20) days before the earlier of the issuance of the Bonds or the final certification of levies.

8. Reimbursement from Bond Proceeds. The District may incur certain expenditures that may be financed temporarily from sources other than the Bonds and reimbursed from the proceeds of the Bonds. Treasury Regulation § 1.150-2 (the "Reimbursement Regulations") provides that proceeds of tax-exempt bonds allocated to reimburse expenditures originally paid from a source other than the tax-exempt bonds will not be deemed expended unless certain requirements are met. In order to preserve its ability to reimburse certain costs from proceeds of the Bonds in accordance with the Reimbursement Regulations, the District hereby makes its declaration of official intent (the "Declaration") described below to reimburse certain costs

(a) Declaration of Intent. The District proposes to issue the Bonds to finance the costs of the Project. The District may reimburse original expenditures made for certain costs of the Project from the proceeds of the Bonds in an estimated maximum principal amount of $4,000,000. All reimbursed expenditures will be capital expenditures, costs of issuance of the Bonds, or other expenditures eligible for reimbursement under Section 1.150-2(d)(3) of the Reimbursement Regulations.

(b) Declaration Made Not Later Than 60 Days. This Declaration has been made not later than sixty (60) days after payment of any original expenditure to be subject to a reimbursement allocation with respect to the proceeds of the Bonds, except for the following expenditures: (a) costs of issuance of the Bonds; (b) costs in an amount not in excess of $100,000 or five percent (5%) of the proceeds of the Bonds; or (c) "preliminary expenditures" up to an amount not in excess of twenty (20) percent of the aggregate issue price of the Bonds that finance or are reasonably expected by the District to finance the Project for which the preliminary expenditures were incurred. The term "preliminary expenditures" includes architectural, engineering, surveying, bond issuance, and similar costs that are incurred prior to commencement of acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of the Project, other than land acquisition, site preparation, and similar costs incident to commencement of construction.

(c) Reasonable Expectations; Official Intent. This Declaration is an expression of the reasonable expectations of the District based on the facts and circumstances known to the District as of the date hereof. The anticipated original expenditures for the Project and the principal amount of the Bonds described in Section 8(a), above, are consistent with the District's budgetary and financial circumstances. No sources other than proceeds of the Bonds to be issued by the District are, or are reasonably expected to be, reserved, allocated on a long-term basis, or otherwise set aside pursuant to the District's budget or financial policies to pay such original expenditures. This Resolution is intended to constitute a declaration of official intent for purposes of the Reimbursement Regulations.

(The remainder of this page is intentionally left blank.)

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by _____, and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor of the motion:

and the following voted against:

whereupon the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Between

Tri-County School District #2358

and

Tri-County Education Association

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is entered into by and between Tri-County School District #2358 ("District") and the Tri-County Education Association ("Association").

WHEREAS, the parties are subject to a collective bargaining agreement; and

WHEREAS, the parties desire to clarify and amend the provisions related to the dental insurance benefit;

NOW, THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

1. District Contribution

Effective July 1, 2026, the District shall contribute up to Two Hundred Eighty-Two Dollars ($282.00) annually toward the cost of the employee dental insurance plan for eligible employees who elect coverage.

2. Elimination of Participation Requirement

The parties agree to strike and remove from the collective bargaining agreement any language requiring that fifty percent (50%) or any other percentage of eligible employees participate in or elect dental insurance coverage as a condition for the dental plan to be offered.

The dental insurance plan shall be made available to eligible employees regardless of the percentage of employees electing coverage.

3. Effect of Agreement

Except as specifically modified by this Memorandum of Understanding, all terms and conditions of the collective bargaining agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

4. Duration

This Memorandum of Understanding shall become effective upon ratification by both parties and shall remain in effect until June 30, 2027.

TRI-COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #2358 Tri-County Education Association

Board Chair _____ Union Representative

_____

Date: _____ Date: _____

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Education Identity and Access Management Board Resolution

The Minnesota Department of Education (MDE), Professional Educator Licensing Standards Board (PELSB), and Office of Higher Education (OHE) require annual designation of an Identified Official with Authority (IOwA) for each local educational agency that uses the Education Identity and Access Management (EDIAM) system. The IOwA is responsible for authorizing, reviewing, and recertifying user access for their local educational agency in accordance with the State of Minnesota Enterprise Identity and Access Management Standard, which states that all user access rights to Minnesota state systems must be reviewed and recertified at least annually. The IOwA will authorize user access to State of Minnesota Education secure systems in accordance with the user's assigned job duties, and will revoke that user's access when it is no longer needed to perform their job duties.

Your school board or equivalent governing board must designate an IOwA to authorize user access to State of Minnesota Education secure websites for your organization. This EDIAM board resolution must be completed and submitted to the Minnesota Department of Education annually, as well as any time there is a change in the assignment of the Identified Official with Authority.

It is strongly recommended that only one person at the local educational agency or organization (the superintendent or exec. director) is designated as the IOwA. The IOwA will grant the IOwA Proxy role(s).

Designation of the Identified Official with Authority for Education Identity and Access Management

Organization Name: _____

6-Digit or 9-Digit Organization Number (e.g. 1234-01 or 1234-01-000): _____

Superintendent or Exec. Director Name: _____

Will act as the IOwA? _____ Yes _____ No

If no, identify below the individual who will act as the IOwA for your organization.

The Superintendent or Exec. Director recommends the Board authorize the below named individual(s) to act as the Identified Official with Authority (IOwA) for this organization:

Print Name: _____

Title: _____

Board Member Signature:

Name: _____

Date: _____