

This meeting will be held at the Education Service Center Boardroom, and also online via Zoom.

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School Board of Robbinsdale Area Schools

Business Meeting - March 1, 2021

AGENDA SECTION: Call to Order

ITEM: Roll Call Attendance

	PRESENT	ABSENT
Helen Bassett	<hr/>	<hr/>
David Boone	<hr/>	<hr/>
Greta Evans-Becker	<hr/>	<hr/>
Mike Herring	<hr/>	<hr/>
Pam Lindberg	<hr/>	<hr/>
Sam Sant	<hr/>	<hr/>
John Vento	<hr/>	<hr/>
Dr. Stephanie Burrage, Interim Superintendent, ex-officio	<hr/>	<hr/>

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AGENDA SECTION: Acceptance of Agenda
ITEM: 2. Acceptance of Agenda
COMMENTS BY: Board Chair

Recommended Action: Approve business meeting agenda.

Acceptance of Business Meeting Agenda – March 1, 2021

	Yes	No	Abstention
Helen Bassett	_____	_____	_____
David Boone	_____	_____	_____
Greta Evans-Becker	_____	_____	_____
Mike Herring	_____	_____	_____
Pam Lindberg	_____	_____	_____
Sam Sant	_____	_____	_____
John Vento	_____	_____	_____

Motion by: _____ **Yes:** _____ **Passed:** _____

Second by: _____ **No:** _____ **Failed:** _____

Abstentions: _____

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AGENDA SECTION: Sharing the Success

ITEM: 3B. School Bus Driver Appreciation

COMMENTS BY: Dr. Stephanie Burrage, Interim Superintendent

Governor Tim Walz proclaimed February 22, 2021 as School Bus Driver Appreciation Day. Robbinsdale Area Schools joined the Governor last week in recognizing our school bus drivers. We are pleased to recognize the invaluable contributions made daily to public education and student safety.

Robbinsdale Area Schools' bus drivers have gone above and beyond their typical duties during this unprecedented school year, taking on new essential roles during the COVID-19 pandemic. Bus drivers play a crucial role in Robbinsdale Area Schools and we are proud to recognize all our District 281 school bus drivers!

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AGENDA SECTION: Consent Agenda
ITEM: 5. Consent Agenda
COMMENTS BY: David Boone, Chair

Consent Agenda items are considered routine in nature and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Board member so requests, in which the item will be removed as a Consent Agenda item and addressed. Consent Agenda items including administrative, personnel matters and financial matters.

Recommended Action: Approve the Consent Agenda items.

Approve Consent Agenda – March 1, 2021

	Yes	No	Abstention
Helen Bassett _____	_____	_____	_____
David Boone _____	_____	_____	_____
Greta Evans-Becker _____	_____	_____	_____
Mike Herring _____	_____	_____	_____
Pam Lindberg _____	_____	_____	_____
Sam Sant _____	_____	_____	_____
John Vento _____	_____	_____	_____

Motion by: _____ **Yes:** _____ **Passed:** _____

Second by: _____ **No:** _____ **Failed:** _____

Abstentions: _____

***Approved xxxx*

A Regular Meeting of the School Board of Robbinsdale Area Schools was held Tuesday, February 16, 2021, beginning at 7:00 PM. Pursuant to Minn. Statute 13D.021, the meeting was held by teleconference. A recording of the meeting can be found at <https://rdaleorg./discover/school-board>, School Board Meeting Webcasts tab.

Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Boone called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. Directors present: David Boone, Greta Evans-Becker, Mike Herring, Pam Lindberg, Sam Sant, and John Vento; and Dr. Stephanie Burrage, Interim Superintendent. Director(s) absent: Helen Bassett. There was a quorum; meeting was called to order.

Acceptance of the Agenda

MOTION: Director Vento moved approval of the agenda and Director Lindberg seconded the motion. Upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Directors Boone, Evans-Becker, Herring, Lindberg, Sant, and Vento. And the following voted against the same: none. Said motion was declared duly passed.

Sharing the Success

Special Recognition: Seven Dreams Education Foundation Bird Bash Committee

The Board was pleased to recognize the many volunteers who contributed to the Seven Dreams Education Foundation Annual Bird Bash event held on February 6, 2021. This year's event was virtual which did not dampen the support from our seven-city community. The Bird Bash supported the Fund-a-Need Project, "Telling Everyone's Story with Multicultural Books". This project will inspire our students to read by adding 2,500 electronic & print books to our middle and high school media centers that are culturally relevant and inclusive of everyone's story.

The Board and Interim Superintendent would like to extend special congratulations and their deepest gratitude to Emily Wallace-Jackson, Seven Dreams Executive Director, Diane Dickmeyer, Seven Dreams Board Chair, plus Patsy Green and Katrinna Dexter, Bird Bash co-chairs.

School Board Recognition Week (February 22-26, 2021)

The Minnesota School Boards Association set February 22-26 as Minnesota School Board Recognition Week to build awareness and understanding of the vital function elected school board members play in our society. Robbinsdale Area Schools is joining other public school districts from across the state to celebrate School Board Recognition Week to honor our board members for their commitment to Robbinsdale Area Schools and its students.

The work and commitment of each and every school board member is year-round. Robbinsdale Area Schools is thankful to our Board members serving: Helen Bassett, David Boone, Greta Evans-Becker, Mike Herring, Pam Lindberg, Sam Sant and John Vento.

Robbinsdale Rapid Report

Toya Stewart Downey, Executive Director of Strategic Communications, Equity and Inclusion, shared district highlights through video.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Stephanie Burrage, Interim Superintendent, shared updates on the Feb. 1 student SRO panel, Feb. 4 school start time webinar, and district cybersecurity. She gave a shout-out to Larry Tate, Armstrong High School Activities & Athletics Director, for his leadership excellence.

Operations

Approval of Coper High School / Hennepin Technical College Advertising Sponsorship

MOTION: Director Sant moved approval and Director Vento seconded the motion. Upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Directors Boone, Evans-Becker, Herring, Lindberg, Sant, and Vento. And the following voted against the same: none. Said motion was declared duly passed.

Approval of School Exec Connect for Superintendent Search

MOTION: Director Vento moved approval and Director Herring seconded the motion. Upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Directors Boone, Evans-Becker, Herring, Lindberg, Sant, and Vento. And the following voted against the same: none. Said motion was declared duly passed.

Approval of Addition of Work Session on Feb. 22, 2021 at 7 pm

MOTION: Director Evans-Becker moved approval and Director Boone seconded the motion. Upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Directors Boone, Evans-Becker, Lindberg, Sant, and Vento. And the following voted against the same: Director Herring. Said motion was declared duly passed with a 5-1 vote.

Approval of Revised Resolution Designating the Deputy Treasurer

MOTION: Director Herring moved approval and waived the reading of the resolution. Director Lindberg seconded the motion. Upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Directors Boone, Evans-Becker, Herring, Lindberg, Sant, and Vento. And the following voted against the same: none. Said motion was declared duly passed.

Approval of Resolution Accepting Donations

MOTION: Director Sant moved approval and Director Vento seconded the motion. Upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Directors Boone, Evans-Becker, Herring, Lindberg, Sant, and Vento. And the following voted against the same: none. Said motion was declared duly passed.

Consent Agenda

Consent Agenda items include administrative, personnel matters, and financial matters. MOTION: Director Herring moved approval and Director Vento seconded the motion. Upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Directors Boone, Evans-Becker, Herring, Sant, and Vento. And the following voted against the same: none. And the following voted by abstention: Director Lindberg. Said motion was declared duly passed with a 5-1 vote.

Board Reports

Each month Board Members share updates from their different committee assignments and attendance at district and community events. Director Vento facilitated Listening Time before the Regular Meeting; four request forms were submitted with three people addressing the superintendent search.

Announcements (Can be found on our website.)

Adjournment

MOTION: Director Herring moved approval and Director Vento seconded the motion. Upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Directors Boone, Evans-Becker, Herring, Lindberg, Sant, and Vento. And the following voted against the same: none. Said motion was declared duly passed. Meeting was adjourned.

Prepared and submitted by:
Nichol Sutton
Assistant Clerk, Robbinsdale Area Schools
Executive Assistant to the Superintendent and School Board

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Clerk, Independent School District 281

***Reviewed xxx*

A Work Session of the School Board of Robbinsdale Area Schools was held Monday, Feb. 22, 2021, 7 p.m. by teleconference, pursuant to Minn. Statute 13D.021. *Complete agendas, reports, and presentations are available at the office and [on our website](#). **Work session summary minutes are not approved by the School Board.***

Director(s) present: David Boone, Helen Bassett, Greta Evans-Becker, Mike Herring, Pam Lindberg, Sam Sant, and John Vento; and Amy O'Hern, Executive Director of Human Resources. Director(s) absent: none.

Superintendent Search Planning

The Board had an opportunity to discuss the superintendent search process with School Exec Connect representatives Ken Dragseth, Toni Johns, and David Clough. Items reviewed and discussed included the search calendar, establishing focus groups and individual interviews, advertising campaign, compensation guidelines, and the letter to district stakeholders. Amy O'Hern, Executive Director of Human Resources, will be the Board Liaison for communications.

Prepared and submitted by:

Nichol Sutton
Assistant Clerk, Robbinsdale Area Schools
Executive Assistant to the Superintendent and School Board

LICENSED STAFF - March 1, 2021**NEW HIRE**

Name	Building	Title	Step/Lane	Effective Date
Eleanor Chovan	SEA	1.0/Media Specialist	MA/2	02/12/21

RESCIND PERSONAL LEAVE

Name	Building	Title	Effective Date
Julie Sonnek	RSI	EL	02/09/21

NON-LICENSED STAFF - March 1, 2021

NEW HIRE

Name	Building	Title	Step/Lane	Effective Date
Zachary Bell	MLE	Monitor EA	CL3, Step 3	02/23/21
Nickulous Burrell	FOE	Service Employee	CU7, Step 3	02/22/21
Megan Hegenbarth	PMS	AVID Tutor	CL3, Step 3	02/18/21
Danielle Oestreicher	ENE	Office Employee	CATIII, Step 6	02/22/21
Ellyn Roth-Unzicker	NOE	Special ED EA	CL3, Step 3	02/11/21
Adrianna Schaper	NPE	Tutor EA	CL3, Step 3	02/24/21
Joshua Total	NHLC	Special ED EA	CL3, Step 3	02/22/21

REHIRE

Name	Building	Title	Effective Date
Hayley Sodren	MLE	Health EA	02/16/21

RESCIND RESIGNATION

Name	Building	Title	Effective Date
Carrie Bradley	AHS	Special Ed EA	02/22/2021

RESIGNATION/RETIREMENT

Name	Building	Title	Effective Date
Haile Duval	MLE	Tutor EA	02/04/21
Wanda Hegland (19 yrs.)	PMS	Office Employee	04/23/21
Jonathon Murry	NPE	Special ED EA	02/09/21
Timothy Warren Sr.	SMS	Program Assistant	02/19/21
Catherine Westlund (27 yrs.)	NHLC	Special ED EA	02/26/21
Aileen White	AHS	Office Employee	03/24/21

Announcements | March 1, 2021

March 2, 5:30 p.m.	District Curriculum & Instruction Advisory
March 9, 6:30 p.m.	Finance Advisory Council
March 10, 9:30 a.m.	Interschool Council
March 10, 6:00 p.m.	School Start Time Parent & Community Engagement Committee
March 11 & 12, TBD	Superintendent Search Focus Groups
March 11, TBD	State of the District Virtual Event
March 15, 6:00 p.m.	School Board Listening Time
7:00 p.m.	School Board Regular Meeting

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Business Meeting – March 1, 2021

AGENDA SECTION: Adjournment
ITEM: 7. Adjournment
COMMENTS BY: Board Chair

This agenda item will bring closure to the School Board Business meeting.

Recommended Action: Approve closing the Business meeting.

Approval of Adjournment – March 1, 2021

	Yes	No	Abstention
Helen Bassett	_____	_____	_____
David Boone	_____	_____	_____
Greta Evans-Becker	_____	_____	_____
Mike Herring	_____	_____	_____
Pam Lindberg	_____	_____	_____
Sam Sant	_____	_____	_____
John Vento	_____	_____	_____

Motion by: _____ **Yes:** _____ **Passed:** _____

Second by: _____ **No:** _____ **Failed:** _____

Time of Adjournment: _____ 12 _____