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**School Board of Robbinsdale Area Schools**  
Business Meeting - August 2, 2021

**AGENDA SECTION:** Call to Order

**ITEM:** Roll Call Attendance

	<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>ABSENT</b>
Helen Bassett	_____	_____
David Boone	_____	_____
Greta Evans-Becker	_____	_____
Mike Herring	_____	_____
Pam Lindberg	_____	_____
Sam Sant	_____	_____
John Vento	_____	_____
David Engstrom, ex-officio	_____	_____



## School Board of Robbinsdale Area Schools

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**AGENDA SECTION:** Acceptance of Agenda  
**ITEM:** 2. Acceptance of Agenda  
**COMMENTS BY:** David Boone, Board Chair

**Recommended Action:** Approve regular meeting agenda.

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### Acceptance of Regular Meeting Agenda – August 2, 2021

**Motion by:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Yes:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Passed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Second by:** \_\_\_\_\_ **No:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Failed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Abstentions:** \_\_\_\_\_



## School Board of Robbinsdale Area Schools

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**AGENDA SECTION:** Sharing the Success

**ITEM:** 3. Sharing the Success

**COMMENTS BY:** David Engstrom, Superintendent

Superintendent Engstrom will provide an update on his first month in the district.



## School Board of Robbinsdale Area Schools

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**AGENDA SECTION:** Operations  
**ITEM:** 4A. Approval of Finance Advisory Council Appointments  
**COMMENTS BY:** Pam Lindberg, Treasurer

The Robbinsdale Area Schools Board of Education received applications for the two open seats on the Finance Advisory Committee (FAC). We deeply thank the community members who came forth and expressed an interest in serving on the committee. The application review committee was comprised of three school board members, including the Treasurer.

**Recommended Action:** Approve the FAC member appointment as reported out by the Board Treasurer.

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### Approval of Financial Advisory Council Appointments – August 2, 2021

**Motion by:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Yes:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Passed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Second by:** \_\_\_\_\_ **No:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Failed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Abstentions:** \_\_\_\_\_



## School Board of Robbinsdale Area Schools

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**AGENDA SECTION:** Consent Agenda  
**ITEM:** 5. Approval of 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.

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### Approval of Consent Agenda – August 2, 2021

**Motion by:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Yes:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Passed:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Second by:** \_\_\_\_\_ **No:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Failed:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Abstentions:** \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*Approved xxxx

A Regular Meeting of the School Board of Robbinsdale Area Schools was held Monday, July 19, 2021, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Boardroom at the Robbinsdale Area Schools Education Service Center. A recording of the meeting can be found at <https://rdaleorg.finalsite.com/discover/school-board>, School Board Meeting Webcasts tab.

### **Call to Order and Roll Call**

Chair Boone called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Directors present: David Boone, Helen Bassett, Greta Evans-Becker, Mike Herring, Pam Lindberg, Sam Sant, and John Vento; and David Engstrom, Superintendent. Director(s) absent: none. There was a quorum; meeting was called to order.

### **Acceptance of the Agenda**

Chair Boone asked for a motion to accept the Regular Meeting agenda for July 19, 2021. MOTION: Superintendent Engstrom moved to remove item 6.B. - Addendum to Superintendent Contract from the Consent Agenda, in favor of review at the Work Session on August 2, 2021. Chair Boone moved approval of this change and Vice Chair Bassett seconded the motion. MOTION: Director Lindberg moved approval of the agenda with the approved change, and Director Vento seconded the motion. Upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Directors Boone, Bassett, Evans-Becker, Herring, Lindberg, Sant and Vento. And the following voted against the same: none. Said motion was declared duly passed.

### **Sharing the Success**

#### A. [Robbinsdale Rapid Report](#)

### **Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent Engstrom thanked everyone for the warm welcome he has received, let us know more about himself, and shared his four objectives in his first 100 days:

- Develop the governance team to support the Robbinsdale Area Schools' Unified District Vision.
- Gain a deeper understanding of the organizational capacity and efforts in ensuring learners are developing their unique potential and positively contributing to their community.
- Listen to staff and students to strengthen a culture of believing, belonging, and becoming in Robbinsdale Area Schools.
- Engage family and community members as partners to support academic excellence.

### **Operations**

#### A. Approval of ISD 281 LTFM 10-Year Plan

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

#### B. Approval of General Obligation Facilities Maintenance Bonds, Series 2021A

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

#### C. Approval of Resolution Accepting Donations

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

#### D. Approval of Designation of Ukee Dozier, Executive Director of Finance to the position of Deputy Treasurer.

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

#### E. Approval of Designation of Molly Olson as Interim Assistant Clerk to the Board.

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

F. Approval of Designation of Marti Voight as Identified Official with Authority (IOwA)

MOTION: Director Vento moved approval and Director Sant seconded the motion. Upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Directors Boone, Bassett, 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. As noted in Acceptance of Agenda, item 6.B. - Addendum to Superintendent Contract was removed from the Consent Agenda, in favor of review at the Work Session on August 2, 2021. MOTION: Director Herring moved approval and Director Evans-Becker seconded the motion. Upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: Directors Boone, Bassett, Evans-Becker, Herring, Lindberg, Sant and Vento. And the following voted against the same: none. Said motion was declared duly passed.

**Board Reports**

Each month Board Members share updates from their different committee assignments and attendance at district and community events. Board members expressed their gratitude to Margaret Jantscher, who had recently announced her retirement, and welcomed Superintendent Engstrom. Before the Regular Meeting, Chair Boone facilitated the Listening Time held at 6 p.m. in the Boardroom at the Education Service Center. Two community members submitted a listening session request form with topics including an overview of the last ten years from a tax-payer's perspective, transportation, transparency in emailing, and what the district has learned from the PMS incident. Vice Chair Bassett shared information regarding the MN Humanities Center, and the need to review and discuss the Brooklyn Bridge Alliance joint policy agreement. Director Vento shared that the legislative session ended and VPK will be funded for two more years. Director Evans-Becker learned about the Seven Dreams Foundation, gave a shout out to the New Hope Farmer's Market and Community Ed swimming lessons, and announced the upcoming Board professional learning on governance. Director Sant attended the special session at ISD 287, sharing the timeline for hiring the new superintendent. Superintendent Engstrom introduced Anthony Williams, Jeff Connell and Toya Stewart Downey, and welcomed Ukee Dozier back to the district. Director Lindberg announced her resignation from the Board, effective August 17, 2021 - which Chair Boone accepted, with appreciation for her service.

**Announcements** (can be found on our website)

**Adjournment**

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

Prepared and submitted by:  
Molly Olson  
Interim Assistant Clerk, Robbinsdale Area Schools  
Interim Executive Assistant to the Superintendent and School Board

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk, Independent School District 281

**LICENSED STAFF - August 2, 2021****NEW HIRE**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Building</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Step/Lane</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Jaidyn Anthony	ENE/NOE	1.0/School Nurse	BA/3	08/30/2021
Diana Fasanaro	NPE	1.0/Gr 2	BA15/3	08/30/2021
Quinn Johnson	SEA	.5/School Social Worker	MA15/10	08/30/2021

**RESIGNATION/RETIREMENT**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Building</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Janio Axelson	RMS	Social Studies	06/10/2021
Patricia Peuschold (19 years)	NOE	Gr 5	06/10/2021

**NON-LICENSED STAFF - August 2, 2021****CHANGE OF ASSIGNMENT**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Building</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Marquel Curtis	AHS	Education Assistant to Office Employee	07/30/21

**NEW HIRE**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Building</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Step/Lane</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Belete Aeba	SOE	Service Employee	CU1A, Step 1	07/20/21
Charles Colvin	ESC	Program Director	LV7, Step 2	07/19/21
Kwok Yu	ENE	Service Employee	CU7, Step 1	07/19/21

**REHIRE**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Building</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Ronald Mead	ESC	Program Director	07/19/21

**RESIGNATION/RETIREMENT**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Building</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Effective Date</b>
Julian Clarke	MLE	Service Employee	07/16/21
Elizabeth Wrona	ESC	Program Assistant	07/30/21

# Announcements | August 2, 2021

## August 16 , 2021

**6:00 p.m.** School Board Listening Time

**7:00 p.m.** School Board Regular Meeting

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*Check out our calendar on the website for additional meeting details.*

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## 2021-2022 School Board Meetings (approved Feb. 16, 2021)

Meetings are typically held the first and third Monday of each month (except when the calendar does not permit) at the Education Service Center, 4148 Winnetka Avenue North, New Hope, MN, third floor boardroom. School Board Work Sessions are scheduled to follow the first school board meeting of the month. School Board Work Sessions typically start ten minutes after the adjournment of the preceding School Board Business Meeting.

2021			
Monday	July 19	6 pm 7 pm	Listening Time Regular Meeting
Monday	August 2	6 pm	Business Meeting Work Session
Monday	August 16	6 pm 7 pm	Listening Time Regular Meeting
Wednesday	September 8	6 pm	Business Meeting Work Session
Wednesday	September 22	6 pm 7 pm	Listening Time Regular Meeting
Monday	October 4	6 pm	Business Meeting Work Session
Monday	October 18	6 pm 7 pm	Listening Time Regular Meeting
Monday	November 1	6 pm	Business Meeting Work Session
Tuesday	November 2		Election Day
Monday	November 15	6 pm 7 pm	Listening Time Regular Meeting
	Nov/Dec TBD		Closed Session for Supt. Review
Monday	December 6**	6 pm 7 pm	Truth in Taxation Business Meeting Work Session
Monday	December 20	6 pm 7 pm	Truth in Taxation (if needed) Listening Time Regular Meeting

2022			
Tuesday	January 4	6 pm	Organizational Meeting Business Meeting Work Session
Tuesday	January 18	6 pm 7 pm	Listening Time Regular Meeting
Monday	February 7	6 pm	Business Meeting Work Session
Tuesday	February 22	6 pm 7 pm	Listening Time Regular Meeting
Monday	March 7	6 pm	Business Meeting Work Session
Monday	March 21	6 pm 7 pm	Listening Time Regular Meeting
Monday	April 4	6 pm	Business Meeting Work Session
Tuesday	April 19	6 pm 7 pm	Listening Time Regular Meeting
Monday	May 9	6 pm	Business Meeting Work Session
Monday	May 23	6 pm 7 pm	Listening Time Regular Meeting
Monday	May 23	8 pm	Closed Session for Supt. Eval
Tuesday	June 7	6 pm	Business Meeting Work Session
Monday	June 20	6 pm 7 pm	Listening Time Regular Meeting



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**AGENDA SECTION:** Adjournment

**ITEM:** 7. Adjournment

**COMMENTS BY:** David Boone, Chair

**Recommended Action:** Call the business meeting to a close.

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#### Adjournment of Business Meeting – August 2, 2021

**Motion by:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Yes:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Passed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Second by:** \_\_\_\_\_ **No:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Failed:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Abstentions:** \_\_\_\_\_