

Regular School Board Meeting
Monday, August 17, 2026 5:15 PM Central

FHS Library and YouTube Live Stream
1515 11th Street
International Falls, Minnesota 56649

Jessica Crosby: Present
Dale Johnson: Present
Toni Korpi: Present
Tina Sather: Present
Roxanne Skogstad-Ditsch: Present
Joann Smith: Present

Present: 6.

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Call to Order

1. Roll Call:

☐ Jessica Crosby, Vice Board Chair
☐ Dale Johnson, Director
☐ Toni Korpi, Clerk
☐ Tina Sather, Treasurer
☐ Roxanne Skogstad-Ditsch, Director
☐ JoAnn Smith, Board Chair

Non-Voting Members:

☐ Beth Shermoen, Superintendent

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda

1. Approve agenda as presented.

Motion by _____, second by _____. Motion carried / failed.

Open Forum

1. Sale Day Report for General Obligation Facilities Maintenance Bonds, Series 2026A Presentation.

2. Request of renaming the track, Dick Ostroot Track - Tim Ostroot

3. Public Open Forum

Committee and Administrative Reports

1. Melissa Tate, Secondary Principal:

2. Lisa West, Elementary Principal:

3. Molly Larson, Community Education Director:

4. Timm Ringhofer, Activities Director:

5. Beth Shermoen, Superintendent:

6. Policy Committee:

7. Athletic Committee:

8. Legislative Committee:

Consent Agenda

Approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion by _____, second by _____. Motion carried / failed.

1. Approve payroll in the amount of \$364,204.02 for pay periods 7/24/26 (At Will Retro Payroll, Teacher Payoff Payroll, Regular Payroll) and 8/7/26 (Regular Payroll, Teacher Payoff Payroll).

2. Approve current accounts payable due in the amount of \$4,220,429.46.

3. Approve past meeting minutes for the regular school board meeting on July 20, 2026.

4. Approve the contract for Rainy Lake Medical Center.

5. Approve the contract between ISD 361 and Minnesota North College for Scheela Field.

6. Approve the addition of three new at-will positions to add to the At-Will Employment Schedule. These include: Community Education Aquatic Program Coordinator, School-Age Child Care Program Lead, and School-Age Child Care Program Assistant.

7. Approve the resignation of Sarah Stapes, English Teacher, effective February 1, 2026.

8. Approve the resignation of Steve Joslyn as Head Boys Varsity Swim Coach.

9. Approve the resignation of Shawn Bowles as One Act Coach.

10. Approve the resignation of Shawn Bowles as Speech Coach.

11. Approve the hire of Chelsea Ness as Student Support Specialist for FHS.

12. Approve the hire of Haley Linder as Third Grade Teacher.

13. Approve the hire of Bryanne Kleinert as Band/Choir Teacher.

14. Approve the hire of Karsen Korpi as paid Junior High Volleyball Coach.

15. Approve the hire of Paetyn Zahn as paid Junior High Volleyball.

16. Approve the hire of Shane Donner as paid Junior High Football Coach.

17. Approve the hire of Dylan Holt as paid Junior High Football Coach.

18. Approve the hire of Troy Freeberg as paid Junior High Football Coach.

19. Approve the hire of Jace Hallin as paid Football Coach.

20. Approve the hire of Kristie LaVign as unpaid Junior High Volleyball Coach

21. Approve the hire of Emily Nicholson as unpaid Elementary Volleyball Coach.
22. Approve the hire of Kim O'Loughlin as unpaid Elementary Volleyball Coach.
23. Approve the hire of Joann Smith as unpaid Elementary Volleyball Coach.
24. Approve the hire of Brittany Eldien as unpaid Elementary Volleyball Coach.
25. Approve the hire of Julia O'Bert as unpaid Elementary Volleyball Coach.
26. Approve the hire of Kyle Sinninghe as unpaid Elementary Volleyball Coach.
27. Approve the hire of Morgan Demars as unpaid Elementary and Junior High Volleyball Coach.
28. Approve the hire of Brad Kokesh as unpaid Junior High Football Coach.
29. Approve the hire of Shawn Bowles as unpaid Flag Football Coach.
30. Approve the hire of Brady Bowles as unpaid Flag Football Coach.
31. Approve the hire of Ben Line as unpaid Volunteer Out-of-Town Boys Basketball Scorekeeper.
32. Approve the hire of Norm Nelson as unpaid Football Coach.
33. Approve the hire of Hailey Silvers as unpaid Girls Swimming and Diving Coach.
34. Approve the hire of Missy Tate as Student Council advisor for the 26/27 school year.
35. Approve the 2026-2027 FES Student Handbook.
36. Approve the 2026-2027 ISD361 Falls High School Athletic & Extra-curricular Activities Handbook
37. Approve the 2026-2027 FHS Student Handbook.
38. Approve the 2025-2026 ALC Student Handbook.
39. Approve the Bronco Football Cheerleaders Fundraiser; Mini-leaders 10/12/26-10/14/26.
40. Approve the Volleyball Booster Fundraisers; Clothing Order, Volleyball Pledge, Elementary Volleyball Tournament (9/26/26), Cancer Walk and Concessions at all home games.

Action Items

1. Improving systems and structures to create a culture where all are welcome and supported.
 - 1.a. Resolution Acceptance of Gifts and Donations.
Motion by _____, second by _____. Motion carried / failed.
 - 1.b. Approve the updated 26/27 school year calendar.
Motion by _____, second by _____. Motion carried / failed.
 - 1.c. Approve the: Resolution Awarding the Sale of the General Obligation Facilities Maintenance Bonds, Series 2026A, In the Original Aggregate Principal Amount of

\$2,525,000; Fixing their Form and Specifications; Directing their Execution and Delivery; and Providing for their Payment.

Motion by _____, second by _____. Motion carried / failed.

Adjournment

1. Motion by _____, second by _____ to adjourn meeting at _____ p.m.

Motion carried / failed.