

1 St. Anthony – New Brighton
2 Independent School District 282
3 3303 33rd Ave NE
4 St. Anthony, MN 55418
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6 **REGULAR MEETING -Tuesday December 7, 2021**

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8 **MINUTES**
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11 **Members Present:** Board Chair Laura Oksnevad; Vice Chair Cassandra Palmer;
12 Clerk Ben Phillip; Treasurer Lynne Penke Valdes; Director Leah Slye; and Director Barry Kinsey
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15 **Staff Present:** Superintendent Dr. Renee Corneille; Director of Finance and Operations Phan Tu;
16 Director of Community Services and Communications Wendy Webster; Director of Student
17 Services Hope Fagerland; and District Assessment Coordinator Kari Bodurtha
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20 The Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board Chair, Laura Oksnevad.
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23 **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**
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25 **A motion was made by Ben Phillip and seconded by Barry Kinsey to approve the**
26 **December 7, 2021 Amended Regular Meeting agenda, as presented. The motion carries**
27 **6-0.**
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29 The School Board recognized Barry Kinsey's 32 years of service and Leah Slye's 16 years of
30 service on the St. Anthony New Brighton School Board.

31 Guest Speakers: Senator Kunesh and Representative Feist shared their legislative priorities.

32 **COMMUNICATION BREAK**
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34 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
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36 **A motion was made by Cassandra Palmer and seconded by Ben Phillip to approve the**
37 **Minutes from the November 16, 2021 Work Session, with an edit, as presented. The**
38 **motion carries 6-0.**
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41 **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**
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43 **A motion was made by Leah Slye and seconded by Lynne Penke Valdes to approve the**
44 **December 7, 2021 Consent Agenda, as presented. The motion carries 6-0.**
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48 **ACTION**

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50 **1. Financial Audit**

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52 Senior Manager Bonnie Schwieger from the accounting firm of Abdo, presented the results of
53 the 2020-2021 School District Financial Audit.

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55 **A motion was made by Barry Kinsey and seconded Cassandra Palmer to approve the**
56 **2020- 2021 School District Financial Audit, as presented. The motion carries 6-0.**

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58 **2. Levy Certification**

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60 The 2021 Payable 2022 Property Tax Hearing was conducted in person and by ZOOM
61 teleconferencing at 6:00 pm on December 7, 2021. Information on the 2021 Pay 2022 Levy and
62 current year budget was presented to the School Board and community members.

63 Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, the School Board of Independent School District No. 282 – St.
64 Anthony-New Brighton, Minnesota is authorized to make the following proposed tax levies for
65 general purposes:

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67 General Fund: \$5,698,139.85
68 Community Services: \$186,883.62
69 Debt Service: \$1,993,858.43
70 Total Proposed Tax Levy: \$7,878,881.90

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72 Therefore, be it resolved by the School Board of Independent School District No. 282 – St.
73 Anthony-New Brighton, Minnesota, that the levy be levied in 2021 to be collected in 2022 is set
74 at \$7,878,881.90. The clerk of the ISD 282 School Board is authorized to certify the proposed
75 levy to the County Auditors of Ramsey County and Hennepin County, Minnesota.

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78 **A motion was made by Leah Slye and seconded Ben Phillip to approve the 2021 Pay 2022**
79 **Final Levy Certification, as presented. The motion carries 6-0.**

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81 **3. Congressional IDEA Full Funding Act**

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83 WHEREAS, the St. Anthony New Brighton School District recognizes the need for a strong
84 investment in the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA); and
85 WHEREAS, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act was first enacted in 1975 to help
86 ensure that all students with disabilities will have access to a free appropriate public education
87 and IDEA's enactment more than 45 years ago, the current federal investment in IDEA is less
88 than 14 percent; and WHEREAS, with the enactment of IDEA, the United States Congress
89 committed to fund up to 40 percent of the additional cost of special education, thereby promising
90 to provide up to 40 percent of the national average per pupil expenditure, which is currently
91 estimated at \$13,828 by the U.S. Department of Education; and WHEREAS, our nation's school
92 districts face an increased demand for greater resources to fulfill the needs of students under
93 IDEA, including those for students affected by multiple disabilities whose individual education

94 plans require more resources; and WHEREAS, with each increase in the IDEA child count, the
95 St. Anthony New Brighton School Board and others throughout the country continue to adjust
96 their budgets to accommodate this increased need and ensure that each child educated through
97 IDEA receives the appropriate supports, with some school districts dedicating forty percent or
98 more of their general education budgets to special education services; and, WHEREAS, St.
99 Anthony New Brighton school district has a \$1,505,722 cross subsidy for FY 20.
100 (https://education.mn.gov/mdeprod/idcplg?IdcService=GET_FILE&dDocName=PROD046168&RevisionSelectionMethod=latestReleased&Rendition=primary), which is a one part of the statewide
101 cross-subsidy that was more than \$673 million in FY 20, and is expected to grow to \$806 million
102 in FY 25.
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104 BE IT RESOLVED, that the St. Anthony New Brighton School Board supports the IDEA Full
105 Funding Act that will help strengthen the federal investment in special education by authorizing
106 a ten year plan to fully fund the federal share of IDEA; and BE IT RESOLVED, that the St.
107 Anthony New Brighton School Board urges Congress' strong bipartisan support for and passage
108 of the IDEA Full Funding Act; and, NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the St. Anthony
109 New Brighton School Board remains committed to providing students with disabilities and their
110 families the supports they need.

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112 **A motion was made by Lynne Penke Valdes and seconded by Cassandra Palmer to**
113 **approve the Congressional IDEA Full Funding Act Resolution, as presented. The motion**
114 **carries 6-0.**

115 DISCUSSION

116 **1. Annual Report on ADSIS, Title, A&I, and WBWF**

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119 The administrative team presented the annual report on Achievement and Integration; ADSIS;
120 Title I; Title III; and the World's Best Workforce goals.

121 **2. COVID Update**

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124 Superintendent Corneille shared the cases reported over the past three weeks; provided data
125 on the impacts of COVID during this school year; and shared information regarding free rapid
126 PCR testing for students and staff.
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128 REPORTS

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131 Superintendent Corneille reported on winter sports; band concerts; and expressed her gratitude
132 to Director of Finance and Operations Phan Tu, Board members Laura Oksnevad, Barry Kinsey,
133 and Leah Slye.
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135 School Board members attended the following events and meetings: band concerts; NE Metro
136 916; negotiations; MSBA coffee conversations; AMSD; Delegate Assembly; and the vaccine
137 clinic.
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The Regular Meeting of December 7, 2021 was adjourned at 9:48 p.m.

Signed: Ben Phillip - School Board Clerk

Attest: Kim Lannier

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Closed session for the Superintendent mid-year evaluation was called to order at 9:53 pm and adjourned at 10:55 pm.