

**St. Louis Park Public Schools**  
Minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting  
Study Session  
Tuesday, October 11, 2022 – 6:30 p.m.  
St. Louis Park High School Room C350

The regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. 283 of St. Louis Park, Hennepin County, Minnesota, convened at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 11, 2022 in St. Louis Park High School Room C350. Present were Board Members Anne Casey, Ken Morrison (6:42 p.m.), Heather Wilsey, C. Colin Cox, Sarah Davis, Virginia Mancini, and Superintendent Astein Osei. Director Abdihakim Ibrahim was absent.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Anne Casey called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Davis, seconded by Wilsey to approve the agenda, as presented. The motion passed 5-0. Director Morrison was absent at the time of vote.

**SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT** *(presented after American Indian Parent Advisory Council (AIPAC) Update)*

Superintendent Osei shared three highlights. He recognized Indigenous Peoples' Day in celebration and honor of the Indigenous students and families we serve in St. Louis Park Public Schools. Next, he shared that the month of October is National Principals Month. Celebrated every October, National Principals Month is an opportunity to celebrate and honor our incredible school principals for their visionary leadership and tireless pursuit of success for each student. Finally, Superintendent Osei shared that October is also National Farm to School Month. We celebrate this month by inviting students, their families, and their communities to eat fresh seasonal food, grown on local farms. It’s also a time to share gratitude with those who make Farm to School possible including farmers, educators, nutrition professionals, and community connectors. He shared appreciation for Seeds Feeds and our local farming partners.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**American Indian Parent Advisory Council (AIPAC) Update**

Samantha Defoe, AIPAC Chair, and Tahra Behlous, AIPAC Member, shared that St. Louis Park Public Schools AIPAC issued a Vote of Concurrence on September 29, 2022 and attests that the School Board and the District are compliant with the Minnesota Statutes and are meeting the needs of American Indian students. An update of efforts to support indigenous students in the district with specific activities was presented. The School Board thanked AIPAC for their vote of concurrence and trust in the district.

**Policy Development - First Reading Policies 410 Family and Medical Leave, 414 Mandated Reporting of Child Neglect or Physical or Sexual Abuse, 415 Mandated Reporting of Maltreatment of Vulnerable Adults, 534 School Meals (proposed new policy)**

The School Board reviewed Policies 410 Family and Medical Leave, 414 Mandated Reporting of Child Neglect or Physical or Sexual Abuse, 415 Mandated Reporting of Maltreatment of Vulnerable Adults, 534 School Meals (proposed new policy), as a first reading. A majority of the

proposed changes to policies were connected to statutory updates and Minnesota School Board Association legal counsel recommendations. It was recommended by the Policy Committee that these policies be reviewed annually by district leadership and revised by the Board as recommended and/or as needed to be up to date with state and federal law. The School Board also reviewed policy 534 School Meals which will be a new policy. Minnesota school districts that participate in the national school lunch program must adopt a school meals policy.

## **ACTION AGENDA**

### **Resolution Awarding School Building Bonds**

A motion was made by Davis, seconded by Cox to approve the resolution awarding school building bonds, as presented. The motion passed 6-0.

### **American Indian Annual Compliance Agreement**


A motion was made by Wilsey, seconded by Mancini to approve the Annual Compliance Agreement with the American Indian Parent Advisory Committee (AIPAC) for the 2022-23 school year, as presented. The motion passed 6-0.

## **COMMUNICATIONS AND TRANSMITTALS**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Morrison, seconded by Davis to adjourn. The motion passed 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

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C. Colin Cox, Clerk

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Anne Casey, Chair

*Minutes prepared by Flower M. Krutina*