

**INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 625
Saint Paul, Minnesota**

ANNUAL MEETING

Via Telephonic and Video Conference; Available via Live Stream at www.spps.org/boe

**January 5, 2021
4:30 p.m.**

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:34 p.m. by Chair Foster.

II. ROLL CALL

Board of Education: S. Marchese, Z. Ellis, J. Foster, J. Brodrick, J. Vue, C. Allen, J. Kopp

Staff: Superintendent Gothard; Chuck Long, General Counsel; Cedrick Baker, Chief of Staff; Dave Watkins, Chief of Schools; Kate Wilcox-Harris, Chief Academic Officer; Marie Schrul, Chief Financial Officer; Jackie Turner, Chief Operations Officer; Stacey Gray Akyea, Director, Research, Evaluation & Assessment; Kenyatta McCarty, Executive Director, Human Resources; Kevin Burns, Director of Communications; Sarah Dahlke, Secretary to the Board

III. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF THE MAIN AGENDA

MOTION: Director Foster moved approval of the Order of the Agenda. The motion was seconded by Director Ellis.

The motion was approved by roll call vote:

Director Marchese	Yes
Director Ellis	Yes
Director Foster	Yes
Director Brodrick	Yes
Director Vue	Yes
Director Allen	Yes
Director Kopp	Yes

IV. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

1. Chair of the Board of Education

The serving Chair opened nominations for the office of Chair of the Board of Education.

MOTION: Director Zuki Ellis nominated Director Jeanelle Foster for the office of the Chair of the Board of Education.

Further nominations were called for, there being none the vote was called.

Motion was approved with the roll call vote as follows:

Director Marchese	Yes
Director Ellis	Yes
Director Foster	Yes
Director Brodrick	Yes
Director Vue	Yes
Director Allen	Yes
Director Kopp	Yes

2. Vice Chair of the Board of Education

The Board Chair opened nominations for the office of the Vice Chair of the Board of Education.

MOTION: Director John Brodrick nominated Director Jim Vue for the office of the Vice Chair of the Board of Education.

Further nominations were called for, there being none the vote was called.

Motion was approved with the roll call vote as follows:

Director Marchese	Yes
Director Ellis	Yes
Director Foster	Yes
Director Brodrick	Yes
Director Vue	Yes
Director Allen	Yes
Director Kopp	Yes

3. Clerk of the Board of Education

The Board Chair opened nominations for the office of the Clerk of the Board of Education.

MOTION: Director John Brodrick nominated Director Zuki Ellis for the office of the Clerk of the Board of Education.

Further nominations were called for, there being none the vote was called.

Motion was approved with the roll call vote as follows:

Director Marchese	Yes
Director Ellis	Yes
Director Foster	Yes
Director Brodrick	Yes
Director Vue	Yes
Director Allen	Yes
Director Kopp	Yes

4. Treasurer of the Board of Education

The Board Chair opened nominations for the office of the Treasurer of the Board of Education.

MOTION: Director Jim Vue nominated Director John Brodrick for the office of the Treasurer of the Board of Education.

Further nominations were called for, there being none the vote was called.

Motion was approved with the roll call vote as follows:

Director Marchese	Yes
Director Ellis	Yes
Director Foster	Yes
Director Brodrick	Yes
Director Vue	Yes
Director Allen	Yes
Director Kopp	Yes

The Board of Education officer positions for 2021 are:

- Chair: Jeanelle Foster
- Vice Chair: Jim Vue
- Clerk: Zuki Ellis
- Treasurer: John Brodrick

V. RESOLUTIONS

BF 32290 Appointment of the Assistant Treasurer

MOTION: Director Foster moved that the Board of Education approve the resolution that states as follows: BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 625, that it herewith appoints Marie Schrul, Chief Financial Officer, as the Assistant Treasurer of this school district for 2021. Motion seconded by Director Ellis.

Motion was approved with the roll call vote as follows:

Director Marchese	Yes
Director Ellis	Yes
Director Foster	Yes
Director Brodrick	Yes
Director Vue	Yes
Director Allen	Yes
Director Kopp	Yes

BF 32291 Appointment of the Assistant Clerk

MOTION: Director Foster moved that the Board of Education approve the resolution that states as follows: BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 625, that it herewith appoints Sarah Dahlke as the Assistant Clerk of this school district for 2021. Motion seconded by Director Ellis.

Motion was approved with the roll call vote as follows:

Director Marchese	Yes
Director Ellis	Yes
Director Foster	Yes
Director Brodrick	Yes
Director Vue	Yes
Director Allen	Yes
Director Kopp	Yes

BF 32292 **Resolution Naming Depository Accounts**

MOTION: **Director Foster moved that the Board of Education approve the resolution naming the banks that are to serve as depositories of school district funds for the year 2021. Motion seconded by Director Ellis.**

Motion was approved with the roll call vote as follows:

Director Marchese	Yes
Director Ellis	Yes
Director Foster	Yes
Director Brodrick	Yes
Director Vue	Yes
Director Allen	Yes
Director Kopp	Yes

BF 32293 **Resolution Naming Banks as Custodians for Safekeeping of Collateral**

MOTION: **Director Foster moved that the Board of Education approve the resolution naming the banks that are to be used as custodians for safekeeping of pledged security for school district deposits. Motion seconded by Director Ellis and Director Vue.**

Motion was approved with the roll call vote as follows:

Director Marchese	Yes
Director Ellis	Yes
Director Foster	Yes
Director Brodrick	Yes
Director Vue	Yes
Director Allen	Yes
Director Kopp	Yes

BF 32294 **Resolution Authorizing Investments of School District Funds**

MOTION: **Director Foster moved that the Board of Education approve the resolution that herewith authorizes the Assistant Treasurer to invest surplus funds of the school district from time to time, as provided in Minnesota Statutes and the School Board Investment Policy. Motion seconded by Director Marchese.**

Motion was approved with the roll call vote as follows:

Director Marchese	Yes
Director Ellis	Yes
Director Foster	Yes
Director Brodrick	Yes
Director Vue	Yes
Director Allen	Yes
Director Kopp	Yes

BF 32295 Resolution Naming Brokerage Accounts

MOTION: **Director Foster moved that the Board of Education approve the resolution naming the brokerage firms that are to handle the purchase and sale of securities and other property. Motion seconded by Director Marchese.**

Motion was approved with the roll call vote as follows:

Director Marchese	Yes
Director Ellis	Yes
Director Foster	Yes
Director Brodrick	Yes
Director Vue	Yes
Director Allen	Yes
Director Kopp	Yes

BF 32296 Resolution Authorizing Entry into Joint Purchasing Agreements

MOTION: **Director Foster moved that the Board of Education approve the resolution Authorizing Entry into Joint Purchasing Agreements and approve administration to continue current joint cooperative purchase agreements and to enter into other various Joint Cooperative Purchasing Agreements as deemed necessary. Motion seconded by Director Marchese and Director Ellis.**

Motion was approved with the roll call vote as follows:

Director Marchese	Yes
Director Ellis	Yes
Director Foster	Yes
Director Brodrick	Yes
Director Vue	Yes
Director Allen	Yes
Director Kopp	Yes

BF 32297 Resolution Naming the Official Newspaper

MOTION: **Director Foster moved that the Board of Education approve the resolution naming the SAINT PAUL LEGAL LEDGER MINNESOTA LAWYER as the official newspaper of the School District. Motion seconded by Director Brodrick.**

Motion was approved with the roll call vote as follows:

Director Marchese	Yes
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Director Ellis	Yes
Director Foster	Yes
Director Brodrick	Yes
Director Vue	Yes
Director Allen	Yes
Director Kopp	Yes

BF 32298 Resolution to Adopt and Confirm All Policies Contained in the SPPS Policy Manual

MOTION: **Director Foster moved that the Board of Education approve the resolution confirming and adopting all policies contained in the Board Policy Manual. Motion seconded by Director Marchese.**

Motion was approved with the roll call vote as follows:

Director Marchese	Yes
Director Ellis	Yes
Director Foster	Yes
Director Brodrick	Yes
Director Vue	Yes
Director Allen	Yes
Director Kopp	Yes

VI. FUTURE MEETING SCHEDULE

Chair Foster then reviewed the dates of 2021 Committee of the Board Meetings, as well as 2021 Regular Meetings of the Board of Education.

A. Board of Education Meetings (6:05 unless otherwise noted)

- January 19
- February 23
- March 23
- April 20
- May 18
- June 8 | Special Non-Renewals at 4:00pm
- June 22
- July 20
- August 24
- September 21
- October 19
- November 16
- December 14

B. Committee of the Board Meetings (4:30 unless otherwise noted)

- January 5
- February 9
- March 9
- April 6

- May 4
- June 8
- August 10
- September 7
- October 5
- November 9
- December 7

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Director Foster moved to adjourn the meeting; Director Brodrick seconded the motion.

Motion was approved with the roll call vote as follows:

Director Marchese	Yes
Director Ellis	Yes
Director Foster	Yes
Director Brodrick	Yes
Director Vue	Yes
Director Allen	Yes
Director Kopp	Yes

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

For clarity and to facilitate research, these minutes reflect the order of the original Agenda and not necessarily the time during the meeting the items were discussed.

Prepared and submitted by:

Sarah Dahlke

Assistant Clerk, St. Paul Public Schools Board of Education