## MINNEOTA PUBLIC SCHOOLS – ISD #414

## JANUARY 2, 2024 SCHOOL BOARD ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING MINUTES

The Board of Education for Minneota Public Schools held their Organizational Meeting on January 2, 2024. Acting Chair Abby Thostenson called to order at 5:45 pm.

All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Jon Buysse, Martin Hennen, Terri Myhre, Carmen Panka, Ryan Runia, Tom Skorczewski, and Abby Thostenson were in attendance. Superintendent Scott Monson, High School Principal Heather Anderson, and Elementary Principal Trent Johnson also attended.

Motion by Buysse, seconded by Runia, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed, 7-0.

Motion by Skorczewski, seconded by Myhre, nominating Thostenson as Board Chair. Motion passed, 6-0, with Thostenson abstaining.

Motion by Thostenson, seconded by Buysse, nominating Skorczewski as Vice-Chair. Motion passed, 6-0, with Skorczewski abstaining.

Motion by Myhre, seconded by Skorczewski, nominating Runia as Clerk. Motion passed, 6-0, with Runia abstaining.

Motion by Thostenson, seconded by Myhre, nominating Panka as Treasurer. Motion passed, 6-0, with Panka abstaining.

Motion by Runia, seconded by Skorczewski, approving committee and representative assignments for 2024. Motion passed, 7-0.

Motion by Skorczewski, seconded by Myhre, approving School Board Meeting dates and times for 2024 as presented. Motion passed, 7-0.

Motion by Buysse, seconded by Runia, not to change the Board of Director's compensation from the 2023 rates for 2024. Motion passed, 7-0.

Motion by Myhre, seconded by Panka, approving a Resolution combining the Clerk and Treasurer duties and designating the Business Manager to perform these duties. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed, 6-0, with Skorczewski abstaining.

Motion by Runia, seconded by Buysse, approving a Resolution authorizing the payment of claims between School Board Meetings. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed, 7-0.

Motion by Buysse, seconded by Skorczewski, approving a Resolution appointing Superintendent Scott Monson as the responsible contract authority. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed, 7-0.

Motion by Skorczewski, seconded by Hennen, authorizing the use of facsimile signatures. Motion passed, 7-0.

Motion by Myhre, seconded by Runia, authorizing the Superintendent and/or Business Manager to make wire transfers. Motion passed, 6-0, with Skorczewski abstaining.

Motion by Skorczewski, seconded by Myhre, designating Pemberton Law as School District legal counsel. Motion passed, 7-0.

Motion by Skorczewski, seconded by Buysse, to approve obtaining legal counsel as necessary. Motion passed, 7-0.

Motion by Buysse, seconded by Hennen, authorizing the Superintendent or his designee to hire staff as appropriate. Motion carried, 7-0.

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Motion by Runia, seconded by Myhre, authorizing the Superintendent and/or Business Manager to invest school funds pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, approve the collateral from the financial institutions, and approve PMA Asset Management for investment purposes. Motion carried, 6-0, with Skorczewski abstaining.

Motion by Buysse, seconded by Skorczewski, designating the State Bank of Taunton and PMA Asset Management as official depositories. Motion passed, 7-0.

Motion by Skorczewski, seconded by Panka, designating the Minneota Mascot as the School District's official newspaper. Motion passed, 7-0.

Motion by Skorczewski, seconded by Buysse, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed, 7-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:11 pm.

Ryan Runia, School Board Clerk