Minneota Public Schools - ISD #414

January 21, 2025 School Board Regular Meeting Minutes

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of ISD #414, Minneota Public Schools, was called to order by Chair Abby Thostenson on Tuesday, January 21, 2025 at 7:00 am in the Conference Room.

Roll call was taken. Members present included Emily Coequyt, Jon Buysse, Martin Hennen, Abby Thostenson, Ryan Runia, and Julie Mead. Member Tom Skorczewski was out of town and unable to attend the meeting. Scott Monson, Heather Anderson, and Nicolle Johnston also attended.

Motion by Buysse, second by Mead, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion passed unanimously.

The School Board took a moment to recognize paraeducators for all their contributions to the district.

Superintendent Monson reviewed student enrollment, the Student Activity Fund/Account for December, and the financial report for December.

Motion by Runia, second by Hennen, to approve payment of bills and the check register as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Mead, second by Runia, to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Mead, second by Coequyt, to approve 2025 School Board Meeting Dates and Times for the 4th Wednesday of each month at 5:30 pm or at 7:00 am. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Hennen, second by Runia, to approve the SitelogIQ Professional Services Agreement Amendment #1. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Buysse, second by Mead, to approve the 2nd reading of Policies #101.1, #301, #302, #303, #304, #305. #306, #527, and #528, as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Runia, second by Mead, to Schedule a Special Meeting at 7:15 am on Wednesday, February 19 to Canvass Returns of the Special Election. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Buysse, second by Hennen, to approve the 2025-2026 Budget Parameters and Assumptions. Motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Monson reviewed multiple and various considerations for creating the 2025-2026 School Calendar, and Board Members asked questions and shared opinions. No formal action was taken.

Motion by Buysse, second by Mead, to increase Preschool Tuition and Fees by 5% for 2025-2026. Motion failed unanimously.

Motion by Runia, second by Buysse, to increase Preschool Tuition and Fees by 8% for 2025-2026. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Mead, second by Runia, to approve the 2025-2026 High School Registration Guide. Motion passed unanimously.

The School Board reviewed – for the 1st of 2 times – Policies #201, #202, #203, #203.1, #203.2, #203.5, #203.6, #204, #205, and #206. No formal action was taken.

Motion by Runia, second by Mead, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 am.

Martin Hennen, Clerk

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