

Official Minutes
Monthly Business Meeting
January 8, 2025

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. 227, Olmsted, Fillmore, and Winona Counties was held on Wednesday January 8, 2025. Chair Priebe called the meeting order at 7:00 pm.

Clerk's Roll Call/Pledge of Allegiance

Present: Priebe, Keefe, Harstad, Thompson, Johnsrud and Sovinski

Absent:

All rose and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the Agenda

Add/Remove

13. Action Items (approval)

- b. Resolution Appointing Election Judges and Absentee Ballot Board

Motion by Sovinski, second by Johnsrud to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried 6-0.

Approval of Claims and Accounts

Treasurer Harstad indicated that the claims and accounts appeared to be in order. Motion to approve claims and accounts made by Thompson, seconded by Johnsrud. Motion carried 6-0.

Organizational Meeting

- a. Nominations are called for the following offices
 - i. Chair – Katie Priebe was nominated, board voted 5-0
 - ii. Vice Chair – Tom Keefe was nominated, board voted 5-0
 - iii. Clerk – Josh Thompson was nominated, board voted 5-0
 - iv. Treasurer – Jill Harstad was nominated, board voted 5-0
- b. 2025 Board Committee Assignments – No changes to current committees, board added curriculum committee. Motion by Sovinski, 2nd by Johnsrud, motion carried 6-0

- c. 2025 Board Meeting Dates – Motion to keep dates as the 2nd Wednesday of each month by Harstad, 2nd by Keefe, motion carried 6-0

District Patron Time

None

Reports

Student Senate

Members Katelyn Rindels and Allia Whalen spoke on success of recent cookie fundraiser. They are still working on planning snow week.

Tom Keefe (SB)

Nothing to report.

Josh Thompson (SB)

Nothing to report.

Jill Harstad (SB)

Nothing to report

David Sovinski (SB)

Nothing to report.

Mark Johnsrud (SB)

Nothing to report.

Katie Priebe (SB Chair)

Nothing to Report.

Shane McBroom (K-6 Principal)

Presented submitted report. Mr. McBroom spoke on the recent Elks Hoot shoot. This even went well and we had some students participate in the regional competition. The Elementary School recently held a Christmas sing-a-long and all school bingo. Both fun events to move into the Holiday break.

Eric Nelson (7-12 Principal)

Presented submitted report. Mr. Nelson spoke on a new effort in the Middle School PLC group. Mr. Christie brought an idea from the previous district he worked in. Middle school teachers are spending time asking kids in access questions about their weekends and making sure they have enough food. The kids are responding well to this and Mr. Nelson hopes to implement this in grades 9-12 as well.

Ed Harris (Superintendent)

Presented submitted report. Mr. Harris spoke on the upcoming election. The process has started. Mr. Harris spoke about the hours and early voting.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Thompson, second by Johnsrud to approve the consent agenda as amended.
Motion carried 6-0.

1st Reading of District Policies

Chair Priebe advised that the following district policies are before the board for their first reading. The Board should direct any questions that they may have to Mr. Harris.

- a. 908 Equal Access to School Facilities
- b. 901 Community Education
- c. 902 Use of School District Facilities & Equipment
- d. 906 Community Notification of Predatory Offenders

2nd Reading of District Policies

Motion by Sovinski, second by Harstad to approve the following policies:

- a. 201 Legal Status of the School Board
 - b. 702 Accounting
 - c. 704 Development & Maintenance of an Inventory of Fixed Assets and a Fixed Asset Accounting System
 - d. 705 Investments
- Motion carried 6-0.

Discussion Items

None

Action Items

- a. Motion by Keefe, seconded by Harstad to approve Annual payment in the amount of \$5,000 to maintain streaming. Motion carried 6-0.
- b. Motion by Sovinski, seconded by Harstad to approve Resolution Appointing Election Judges and Absentee Ballot Board. Motion carried 6-0

Adjournment

Motion by Sovinski, second by Harstad to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:33 PM

/s/

Board Clerk

