

April 9, 2025

The Regular Meeting of the School Board, Independent School District No. 701, was called to order at 3:30 P.M. on April 9, 2025, in the High School Board Room. Members present: Directors McLaughlin, Egan, Gabardi, Galatz, Polcher, Chair Berklich, and Student Representative Arianna Ellis.

Members Absent: Student Representative Sara Cowles

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public Comment: Lynda Larson, communication.

Administrative Reports:

Directors / Student Director:

Director McLaughlin attended Student Council State it was amazing.

Administrators and Staff:

Mr. James Plese, Activities Director, update on booster club 501 (c) (3) and brochure. Recognized Pete Hyduke and Brice Walli for their commitment to the sports they have coached over the years.

Mr. Nathan Lutzka, Special Programs Director, update on reviews that have taken place.

Committee Report: None

APPROVE AGENDA

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Galatz to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Director McLaughlin, supported by Director Polcher and approved unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda which consists of the Minutes from the March 19, 2025 Regular Meeting and the following: Accept the resignation from Pete Hyduke as head girls' hockey coach, effective March 20, 2025. Approve the hiring of David Brust as an 7th/8th grade baseball coach, effective March 24, 2025. Approve the hiring of Chad Nickila as an 7th/8th grade baseball coach, effective March 24, 2025. Approve the hiring of Elizabeth Brownlee as an assistant girls' track and field coach, effective March 24, 2005. Accept the resignation from Elizabeth Brownlee as an assistant girls' track and field co-coach, effective March 24, 2025. Accept the resignation from Kayla Beise as an assistant girls' tennis coach, effective

April 3, 2025. Accept the resignation from Carly Inforzato, pupil support assistant, Washington Elementary, effective June 3, 2025. Approve the discontinuance of department chairs at the end of the 2024-2025 school year for the following: Roy Casey, Debra Langanki, Nicole Anderson, Joel McDonald, Matthew Hintz, Dawn Bergerson, Michele Johannsen, Heather Tomczak and Jamie Trenberth. Posting and Transfers for the month of March, 2025: None.

Administrative Business:

APPROVE PAYMENT #4, FINAL PAYMENT TO BUILDING RESTORATION CORPORATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$14,357.85 FOR WORK DONE ON THE HIGH SCHOOL CLEANING OF EXTERIOR MASONRY

Moved by Director McLaughlin, supported by Director Galatz to approve payment #4, final payment to Building Restoration Corporation in the amount of \$14,357.85 for work done on the High School cleaning of exterior masonry. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Moved by Director Galatz, supported by Director McLaughlin to approve the 2025-2026 school calendar. Motion carried unanimously.

ADOPT RESOLUTION

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Gabardi adopt the Resolution Relating to the Termination and Nonrenewal of the Teacher Contract of Matthew Anderson, a Probationary Teacher at the close of the 2024-2025 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

ADOPT RESOLUTION

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Gabardi adopt the Resolution Relating to the Termination and Nonrenewal of the Teacher Contract of Kylie Christenson, a Probationary Teacher at the close of the 2024-2025 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

ADOPT RESOLUTION

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Egan adopt the Resolution Relating to the Termination and Nonrenewal of the Teacher Contract of Patia Hayes, a Probationary Teacher at the close of the 2024-2025 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

ADOPT RESOLUTION

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Berklich adopt the Resolution Relating to the Termination and Nonrenewal of the Teacher Contract of Kristin Njimegni, a Probationary Teacher at the close of the 2024-2025 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

ADOPT RESOLUTION

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Gabardi adopt the Resolution Relating to the Termination and Nonrenewal of the Teacher Contract of Elisha Otonichar, a Probationary Teacher at the close of the 2024-2025 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

ADOPT RESOLUTION

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Gabardi adopt the Resolution Relating to the Termination and Nonrenewal of the Teacher Contract of Kaitlyn Schreiner, a Probationary Teacher at the close of the 2024-2025 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

ADOPT RESOLUTION

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Galatz adopt the Resolution Relating to the Termination and Nonrenewal of the Teacher Contract of Spencer Shotts, a Probationary Teacher at the close of the 2024-2025 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

ADOPT RESOLUTION

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Egan adopt the Resolution Relating to the Termination and Nonrenewal of the Teacher Contract of Hailey Willard, a Probationary Teacher at the close of the 2024-2025 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

ADOPT RESOLUTION

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Berklich adopt the Resolution Proposing to place Tina Carlson on unrequested leave absence without pay or benefits to the extent of 1.0 FTE effective at the end of the 2024-2025 school year on June 4, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

ADOPT RESOLUTION

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Gabardi adopt the Resolution Proposing to place Franklin “DJ” Jones on unrequested leave absence without pay or benefits to the extent of 1.0 FTE effective at the end of the 2024-2025 school year on June 4, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

ADOPT RESOLUTION

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director McLaughlin adopt the Resolution Proposing to place Lillian Kriske on unrequested leave absence without pay or benefits to the extent of 1.0 FTE effective at the end of the 2024-2025 school year on June 4, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

ADOPT RESOLUTION

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Egan adopt the Resolution Proposing to place Lynda Larsen on unrequested leave absence without pay or benefits to the extent of 1.0 FTE effective at the end of the 2024-2025 school year on June 4, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

ADOPT RESOLUTION

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Egan adopt the Resolution Proposing to place Daniel Merfeld on unrequested leave absence without pay or benefits to the extent of 1.0 FTE effective at the end of the 2024-2025 school year on June 4, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

ADOPT RESOLUTION

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Gabardi adopt the Resolution Proposing to place Leanne Schug-Johnson on unrequested leave absence without pay or benefits to the extent of 1.0 FTE effective at the end of the 2024-2025 school year on June 4, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

ADOPT RESOLUTION

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director McLaughlin adopt the Resolution Proposing to place Peter Thein on unrequested leave absence without pay or benefits to the extent of 1.0 FTE effective at the end of the 2024-2025 school year on June 4, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

ADOPT RESOLUTION

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Gabardi adopt the Resolution Proposing to place Darrell “DJ” Zieske on unrequested leave absence without pay or benefits to the extent of 1.0 FTE effective at the end of the 2024-2025 school year on June 4, 2025. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion Items:

Superintendent Aldrich, updated on the Greenhaven Remodel and requesting Greenhaven staff one additional day without students to get rooms cleaned out before the remodel starts. This will be placed on the next school board agenda for approval.

The scheduled school board meeting for April 23, 2025 will be changed to April 22, 2025 at 8:00 a.m. in the high school boardroom.

Director Egan addressed the staff regarding the positions that were cut and the difficulty of it.

ADJOURN

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Chair Berklich to adjourn the meeting at 4:40 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

JOHN BERKLICH, CHAIR

ATTEST:

JEFF POLCHER, CLERK