

**MINNESOTA VALLEY COOPERATIVE CENTER
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 12, 2025
TIME 5:00 P.M.**

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order with the following members present: Amanda Lecy, Ron Winter, Sonja Pederson, Alyssa Bakker, Andrea Bakker.

Motion by Sonja Pederson, second by Andrea Bakker, and carried to approve the minutes of the February 10, 2025 regular board meeting.

Motion by Andrea Bakker, second by Alyssa Bakker, and carried to approve monthly bills for payment for 2/11/2025 – 5/12/2025 in the amount of \$411,803.20 with checks numbered 11488 through 11545, and payroll wire transfers 202400077 through 202400091.

Motion by Sonja Pederson, second by Alyssa Bakker, and carried to approve the 2025-2026 MVCC Preliminary Revenue & Expenditure Budget in the amount of \$3,077,652.

Motion by Alyssa Bakker, second by Andrea Bakker, and carried to approve the employment of Alexis Tersch, MVCC Speech/Language Pathologist, beginning with the 20025-2026 school year.

Motion by Ron Winter, second by Sonja Pederson, and carried to approve the retirement of Bernadette Carstensen, MVCC Special Education Paraprofessional, at the conclusion of the 2024-2025 school year, with sincere appreciation for her years of dedicated service.

Motion by Alyssa Bakker, second by Andrea Bakker, and carried to acknowledge the end of contract for Leslie Refsland, MVCC Early Childhood Special Education Teacher, effective at the conclusion of the 2024-2025 school year, with sincere appreciation for her service to the education and well-being of our students.

Motion by Sonja Pederson, second by Alyssa Bakker, and carried to approve a probationary period extension for Claressa Kent, MVCC Special Education Teacher.

Motion by Andrea Bakker, second by Ron Winter, and carried to approve the 2024-2025 MVCC audit being completed by Hoffman & Brobst PLLP.

Motion by Sonja Pederson, second by Andrea Bakker, and carried to approve an FMLA leave request for Claressa Kent, MVCC Special Education Teacher.

Motion by Sonja Pederson, second by Alyssa Bakker, and carried to approve an adjusted purchase of service contract with Yellow Medicine East School District for the 2024-2025 school year for the purpose of accounting and payroll services from \$30,000 to \$10,000.

Motion by Sonja Pederson, second by Alyssa Bakker, and carried to approve a contract with the Special Education Director for the 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 school year as written with the exception of the proposed number of work from home days.

Motion by Alyssa Bakker, second by Andrea Bakker, and carried to approve a Fiscal Host Agreement with Yellow Medicine East School District for the 2025-2026 through 2029-2030 school years, in the amount of \$10,000 each school year.

Motion by Sonja Pederson, second by Alyssa Bakker, and carried to approve a contract with Sunbelt for the provision of Deaf/Hard of Hearing services.