Staples-Motley School District

School Board Minutes

Meeting #12 - Monday, February 2, 2026 @ 6:00pm - District Office

1. **Meeting was called to order by Chair Wright at 6:00pm**
   a. Roll call was taken, members Wright, Frisk, Reeck, Trout, Reese and Freeman were present, comprising a quorum. Also present were Superintendent Tappe, Business Manager Hill, Recording Clerk Larson, Staples World Editor Anderson, and Buildings and Grounds Director Peterson. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
   b. **Motion** by Reeck, second by Reese, to approve the addition of item 3d to the agenda. **MC**
   Motion by Frisk, second by Reeck to adopt the agenda. **MC**
2. **Chair Wright recognized and welcomed those in attendance**
3. **Consent Agenda**
   a. Approve minutes from the January 20, 2026 Board Meeting
   b. Approve the fundraiser request from 2026 Grad Blast Committee
   c. Approve the resignations of:
      i. Claire Grunewald, JH Softball Coach
      ii. Melissa Jewison, Adventures Assistant
      iii. Jessica Williams, Elementary Paraprofessional
   d. Approve the hire of Madelyn Ziegler, Elementary Social Worker
   Motion by Freeman, second by Trout, to approve the consent agenda. **MC**
4. **Personnel**
   a. **Motion** by Frisk, second by Reese, to accept the retirement of Sandy Opheim, MS/HS Teacher effective May 26, 2026. **MC**
   Thank you Sandy for your 26 years of service to the Staples-Motley School District!
   b. **Motion** by Trout, second by Reeck, to approve the Non-Renewal of Samantha Schimpp, a Tier 1 Teacher, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 School Year. **MC** *(Roll Call Vote: In favor - Reeck, Reese, Freeman, Frisk, Wright, Trout; opposed - none)*
   c. **Motion** by Freeman, second by Trout, to approve the Non-Renewal of Kristi Odden, a Tier 1 Teacher, effective at the end of the 2025–2026 School year. **MC** *(Roll Call Vote: In favor - Trout, Frisk, Reeck, Reese, Freeman, Wright; opposed - none)*
   d. **Motion** by Reeck, second by Freeman, to approve the ULA of Kim Prestridge, a tenured teacher with an out-of-field placement, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 School Year. **MC** *(Roll Call Vote: In favor - Reeck, Reese, Freeman, Frisk, Wright, Trout; opposed - none)*
   e. **Motion** by Trout, second by Frisk, to approve the Non-Renewal of Melissa Wright, a Probationary Teacher with an out of field permission, effective at the end of the 2025–2026 School year. **MC** *(Roll Call Vote: In favor - Frisk, Reeck, Reese, Freeman, Wright, Trout; opposed - none)*
   f. **Motion** by Freeman, second by Reese, to approve the Non-Renewal of Teneesa Mumm, a Probationary Teacher, effective at the end of the 2025–2026 School year. **MC** *(Roll Call Vote: In favor - Freeman, Wright, Trout, Frisk, Reeck, Reese; opposed - none)*
   g. **Motion** by Reeck, second by Reese, to approve the Non-Renewal of Jeff Sterriker, a Tier 1 Teacher, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 School Year. **MC** *(Roll Call Vote: In favor - Reese, Freeman, Wright, Trout, Frisk, Reeck; opposed - none)*

h. **Motion** by Trout, second by Reeck, to approve the Non-Renewal of Aaron Carter, a Tier 1 Teacher, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 School Year. **MC** *(Roll Call Vote: In favor - Trout, Frisk, Reeck, Reese, Freeman, Wright; opposed - none)*

i. **Motion** by Freeman, second by Frisk, to approve the Non-Renewal of Jocelyn Anderson, a Tier 2 Teacher, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 School Year. **MC** *(Roll Call Vote: In favor - Freeman, Wright, Trout, Frisk, Reeck, Reese; opposed - none)*

j. **Motion** by Trout, second by Reese, to approve the Non-Renewal of Amanda Keplin, a Tier 2 Teacher, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 School Year. **MC** *(Roll Call Vote: In favor - Reeck, Reese, Freeman, Frisk, Wright, Trout; opposed - none)*

k. **Motion** by Frisk, second by Freeman, to approve the Non-Renewal of Tina Mitts, a Tier 2 Teacher, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 School Year. **MC** *(Roll Call Vote: In favor - Frisk, Reeck, Reese, Freeman, Wright, Trout; opposed - none)*

l. **Motion** by Reeck, second by Trout, to approve the Non-Renewal of Angela Jares, a Tier 2 Teacher, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 School Year. **MC** *(Roll Call Vote: In favor - Reese, Reeck, Freeman, Frisk, Wright, Trout; opposed - none)*

m. **Motion** by Freeman, second by Frisk, to approve the Non-Renewal of Kristopher Mumm, a Tier 2 Teacher, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 School Year. **MC** *(Roll Call Vote: In favor - Wright, trout, Frisk, Reeck, Reese, Freeman; opposed - none)*

n. **Motion** by Trout, second by Reeck, to approve the Non-Renewal of Bobbyjo Johnson, a Probationary Teacher with an out of field permission, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 School Year. **MC** *(Roll Call Vote: In favor -Reese, Freeman, Wright, Trout, Frisk, Reeck; opposed - none)*

o. **Motion** by Frisk, second by Freeman, to approve the ULA of Lisa Koenigs, a Tenured Teacher with an out-of-field placement, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 School Year. **MC** *(Roll Call Vote: In favor - Trout, Frisk, Reeck, Reese, Freeman, Wright; opposed - none)*

p. **Motion** by Trout, second by Reese, to approve the Non-Renewal of Holt Truax, a Probationary Teacher with an out of field permission, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 School Year. **MC** *(Roll Call Vote: In favor - Wright, Trout, Frisk, Reeck, Reese, Freeman; opposed - none)*

q. **Motion** by Freeman, second by Reeck, to approve the Non-Renewal of Emili Vieths, a Probationary Teacher with an out of field permission, effective at the end of the 2025-2026 School Year. **MC** *(Roll Call Vote: In favor - Frisk, Reeck, Reese, Freeman, Wright, Trout; opposed - none)*

5. **Motion** by Freeman, second by Reeck, to adjourn the meeting at 6:15pm. **MC**

Upcoming Meetings & Events:

February 17, 2026 - School Board Meeting; District Office @ 6pm
February 27, 2026 - Absentee voting opens
March 2, 2026 - School Board Meeting/Work Session; District Office @ 6pm
March 23, 2026 - School Board Meeting; District Office @ 6pm
April 3, 2026 - All offices Closed/No School
April 6, 2026 - School Board Meeting/Work Session; District Office @ 6pm
April 14, 2026 - Election Day
April 20, 2026 - School Board Meeting; District Office @ 6pm