School District of Onalaska
Board of Education Regular Meeting
Monday, February 23, 2026 6:00 p.m.
District Office - 237 2nd Ave S, Onalaska, WI

Board of Education

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Ben Burns	Onalaska Middle School Principal
Jana Yashinsky	Onalaska Middle School Associate Principal
Todd Saner	Eagle Bluff Elementary Principal
Abby Davis	Irving Pertzsch Elementary Principal
Kelly McMahon	Northern Hills Elementary Principal

Mission Statement	Working together to ensure high levels of learning for all
Vision Statement	A model school district in service of students, staff, and community

This meeting is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated in the agenda.

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02.23.26

1. **Call to Order:**

2. **Roll Call - Verification of Quorum:**

3. **Pledge of Allegiance:**
   Aaron McDonald will lead the group in the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. **Mission Statement:**
   Mark Cassellius will read the School Board Mission Statement.

5. **Public Notice:**
   The Board secretary will verify that public notice was given in accordance with the requirements for the State of Wisconsin's public meeting law. (Wis. Stats. 19.84(2))

6. **Agenda Revisions:**
   No new items may be added to the agenda.

7. **Approval of Agenda:**
   The Board of Education will approve the agenda as published, less any items which are removed by the Board or Administration.

8. **Public Input:**
   Public Comment is governed by Board Bylaw 0167.3. Members of the public may request permission to speak on any item on the agenda for a maximum of three minutes. A form to speak to an agenda item is available in the Board room. The form must be filled out prior to the start of the meeting and submitted to administration.

<u>Recognition Items:</u>

9. **Ski & Snowboard Team Recognition:**
   Members of the Ski & Snowboard Team will be recognized for their recent state appearance.

10. **Donations:**
    - $500 from Robert George for the ML program at Irving Pertzsch Elementary
    - $1,000 from David Ruder, in memory of Bonne Olson, for the Engage program at Onalaska High School
    - $1,000 from Altra Federal Credit Union for the ONAbility program
    - $1,470.79 from Office Depot for school supplies for Northern Hills Elementary
    - $500 from Metallics, Inc for a door decal for the OnaPALS program

<u>Informational/Discussion Items:</u>

11. **Student Representative and Administrator Reports:**
    The student representative and administrators will have the opportunity to update on staff and student activities related to academics and co-curricular activities.

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12. **Board Policies**

The Board Policies committee and administration will present the following board policies revisions for a first reading and Board consideration:

100 - Definitions	2261.01 - Parent and Family Engagement in Title I Programs	7540.02 - Web Content, Services, and Apps/Digital Content and Accessibility
144.5 - Board Member Behavior, Communications and Code of Conduct	5112 - Entrance Age	9160 - Public Attendance at School Events
1210 - Board - Superintendent Relationship	5136 - Personal Communication Devices	Website Privacy Policy (will be given Policy # after approval)
2131.01 - Reading Instructional Goals and Kindergarten Assessment	5411 - Third Grade Promotion and Retention: At-Risk Students	

(Enclosure: 12.Board Policies)

13. **2026-27 Budget Planning:**

Administration will present current 2026-27 budget planning information. (Enclosure: 13.Budget)

<u>Action Items:</u>

14. **2026 Summer School Course Offerings:**

Jen Kalis will present the 2026 high school, middle school, and elementary summer school course offerings for Board approval. (Enclosure: 14.Summer School)

15. **Consent Agenda:**

The following items will be presented for approval. Items may be removed for separate consideration:

A. Budgetary Disbursements and Payroll in accordance with enclosure.
(Enclosure: 15.Disbursements)

B. Personnel Report -
   1. Retirement Requests - Certified Staff
   2. Resignation Request - Certified Staff
   3. New Employee - Hourly Staff
   4. Resignation Notification - Hourly Staff

   (Enclosure: 15.Personnel Report)

C. Minutes - February 9, 2026 regular meeting, and February 9, 2026 development meeting.
(Enclosure: 15.Minutes 02.09.26) (Enclosure: 15.Minutes 02.09.26 dev)

D. Board Policy Technical Corrections - 141 - Number, 142.2 - Qualifications, 145 - Board Member Anti-Harassment, 1213 - Student Supervision and Welfare, 1240 - Evaluation of the Superintendent, 2430 - District-Sponsored Clubs and Activities, 2464 - Advanced Learning Instruction, 3213 - Student Supervision and Welfare, 4120 - Employment of Support Staff, 4140 - Termination and Resignation, 4213 - Student Supervision and Welfare, 5111.01 - Homeless

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Students, 5113.02 - Intra-District Safe School Transfers Options, 5330 - Administration of Medication/Emergency Care, 5461 - Children At-Risk of not Graduation from High School, 5610 - Suspension and Expulsion, 5780 - Student/Parent Rights, 6144 - Investment Income, 6152 - Student Fees, Fines, and Charges, 6152.01 - Waiver of School Fees or Fines, 6320 - Purchasing, 7440.01 - Video Surveillance and Electronic Monitoring, 8410 - Crisis Intervention, 8420 - School Safety and Reporting of Crime Statistics, 8450.01 - Personal Protective Equipment During Pandemic/Epidemic Events, 8451 - Pediculosis (Head Lice), 8462.01 - Threats of Violence, 8660 - Transportation by Private Vehicle for District-Sponsored Activities or Trips, 9151 - Use of Cameras and other Recording Devices in Locker Rooms, Restrooms, and Designated Changing Areas, 9800 - High School Diplomas to Veterans. (Enclosure: 15.Technical Corrections)

D. Unpaid Leave - Tia Kehr, Eagle Bluff Elementary Paraprofessional, February 16, 2026; Scott Pollack, Northern Hills Elementary Paraprofessional, March 5-6, 2026.

E. Financials - January 2026. (Enclosure: 15.Financials)

16. **Adjourn:**

Upcoming Board Meeting Schedule:
March 9 - Board of Education Regular Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

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