

MINNEOTA PUBLIC SCHOOLS – ISD #414

JANUARY 21, 2026 SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of ISD #414, Minneota Public Schools, was called to order by Chair Abby Thostenson on Wednesday, January 21, 2026 at 5:30 pm in the Conference Room.

Roll call was taken. Members present included Emily Coequyt, Jon Buysse, Abby Thostenson, Tom Skorczewski, and Ryan Runia. Nicolle Johnston, Jared Josephson, Kim Caster, Karen Dalager, and Scott Monson also attended. Julie Mead and Martin Hennen were unable to attend the meeting.

Motion by Buysse, second by Runia, to approve the meeting agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

Board members and administration shared recognitions of staff and student accomplishments, including Paraprofessional Recognition Week and Bus Driver Appreciation Day.

Superintendent Monson shared a presentation given to him by the Senior Class Officers, who were unable to attend the meeting.

Superintendent Monson reviewed student enrollment, the Student Activity Fund, and the monthly financial report.

Motion by Skorczewski, second by Buysse, to approve payment of bills and the check register as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Board committee reports and administrative reports were reviewed.

Motion by Coequyt, second by Runia, to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Coequyt, second by Skorczewski, to approve the 2026 School Board Meeting dates and times. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Buysse, second by Skorczewski, to approve the 2nd reading of 8 (8) policies and one (1) district procedure. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Runia, second by Coequyt, to approve the 2026-2027 Budget Parameters and Assumptions as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Buysse, second by Skorczewski, to approve Preschool tuition rates for 2026-2027. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Skorczewski, second by Coequyt, to approve the 2026-2027 technology budget, including \$30,000 Technology Innovation funding. Motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent Monson shared various considerations related to a 2026-2027 School Calendar and discussion ensued. No action was taken.

Motion by Skorczewski, second by Buysse, to approve the 2026-2027 Post Secondary Enrollment Options Program Guide and Family Checklist. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Buysse, second by Runia, to adopt a resolution approving the acceptance of gifts, donations, and grants. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Motion by Skorczewski, second by Buysse, to change the starting time of the February 18, 2026 School Board Meeting to 5:00 pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Skorczewski, second by Runia, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Martin Hennen, Clerk