

March 3, 2026

The Special Meeting of the School Board, Independent School District No. 701, was called to order at 8:00 A.M. on March 3, 2026 in the High School Board Room. Members present: Directors McLaughlin, Polcher, Gabardi, Galatz and Chair Berklich.

Members Absent: Director Egan and Student Director Sam Hardy

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVE AGENDA

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

Administrative Business:

CLOSED SESSION

Moved by Chair Berklich, supported by Director McLaughlin to go into closed session at 8:03 a.m. to discuss AFSCME negotiations pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 13D.03. Motion carried unanimously.

Director Egan joined the closed meeting via telephone.

OPEN SESSION

Moved by Director Galatz, supported by Director Polcher to go into open session at 8:54 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVE OR DENY THE REDLINED AFSCME CONTRACT AS PRESENTED

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Director Galatz to approve or deny the redlined AFSCME contract as presented. A roll call vote was taken and carried as follows:

Deny: Chair Berklich, Directors Polcher, Gabardi, Galatz and McLaughlin

Approve: None

Absent: Director Egan

ADJOURN

Moved by Director Polcher, supported by Chair Berklich to adjourn the special meeting at 9:04 a.m. Motion carried unanimously.

JOHN BERKLICH, CHAIR

ATTEST:

JEFF POLCHER, CLERK