

Mohall-Lansford-Sherwood Public School District #1

MLS School Board Members:

Matt Undlin, President
Andy Grondahl, Vice President
Thurstan Johnson
Nathaniel Buynak
Jake Kaufmann
Ben Ethan
Drake Vendsel



Administration:

Heidi Newgard, Superintendent & High School Principal
Kelsea Bowers, Elementary Principal
Cody Beck, Dean of Students
Trevor Savelkoul, Athletic Director
Kim Strand, Business Manager

Monday, February 4, 2026 – 7:00 am
STEM/Board Room
MLS Special School Board Meeting
Meeting Minutes

Present: Matt Undlin, Heidi Newgard, Andy Grondahl, Nathaniel Buynak, Thurstan Johnson, Jake Kaufmann, Drake Vendsel, Ben Ethan, Kim Strand, and Kelsea Bowers

Others in attendance: Jennifer Becker, Jodi Guenther, Jessica Gilbertson, Shelby Moum, Jared Engh, Norman Buynak, Danielle Holsten, Jerry Oberholtzer, Kalli Smith, Kaylee Johnson, Rhonda Undlin, Jim Vendsel, Susan Gates, Missy Mclean, Caitlyn Abernathy, Shannon Grondahl, Kaitlynn Brunner, Mark Bjornson, Sarah Buynak, Sarah Knutson, Ashlynn Moos, and Alexis Genereo

Meeting was called to order by Matt Undlin at 7:01 AM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Agenda Item:

- 4-Day School week; Data Review.
 - Mrs. Newgard explained the packets she handed out to the board which included the 4-Day School week survey results and Vital Network results. The information included graphs and charts summarizing the results as well as a collection of comments from the surveys.
 - A discussion by the board followed. The teacher leadership teams were presents to answer any follow up questions the board members had.

Public Comment:

- Jodi Guenther commented on her views on Para contributions on the proposed day off. Jenn Becker made a statement on her thoughts on the 4-Day school week and asked questions. Kalli Smith commented and asked questions. Susan Gates asked questions. Jared Engh asked questions on salaries. Jim Vendsel asked clarifying questions and addressed some concerns. Jerry Oberberholzer discussed his concerns. Norman Buynak commented his thoughts and discussed the researched he's done. Danielle Holsten voiced her opinions and concerns.

Jake made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:18 AM. Nathaniel seconded the motion. M/C

Next Regular School Board meeting is February 10, 2026 at 7:00 AM in the MLS STEM/Board Room.

Matt Undlin

Matt Undlin, School Board President
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Kim Strand

Kim Strand, Business Manager
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