

MINNEOTA PUBLIC SCHOOLS – ISD #414

JANUARY 7, 2026 SCHOOL BOARD WORK SESSION MINUTES

A Work Session of the Board of Education of ISD #414, Minneota Public Schools, was called to order by Chair Abby Thostenson on Wednesday, January 7, 2026, at 6:00 pm in the Conference Room.

Roll call was taken. Members present included Jon Buysse, Ryan Runia, Tom Skorczewski, Julie Mead, Emily Coequyt, Martin Hennen, and Abby Thostenson. Ellie Gilliam and Brent Jones from Nexus Solutions attended the meeting. Nicolle Johnston, Jared Josephson, Kim Caster, and Scott Monson were also present.

Purposes of the Work Session were reviewed, including information sharing by Nexus Solutions and obtaining feedback from the School Board, with no formal action being taken.

Motion by Mead, second by Runia, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Ellie Gilliam and Brent Jones from Nexus Solutions shared information, including the Nexus planning process, insights from a staff survey conducted, updates on Nexus' work that has happened to date, and a potential timeline and next steps.

Various conceptual options were shared and feedback from Board Members was provided.

Motion by Skorczewski, second by Buysse, to adjourn the Work Session. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the Work Session was adjourned at 7:09 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Martin Hennen, Clerk