Staples-Motley School District

School Board Minutes

Meeting #16 - Monday, April 20, 2026 @ 6:00pm - District Office

1. **Meeting was called to order by Chair Wright at 6:00pm**
   a. Roll call was taken, members Wright, Frisk, Freeman, Trout, Reeck and Reese were present, comprising a quorum. Also present were Superintendent Tappe, Business Manager Hill, Principal Ferdon, Principal Koenigs, Recording Clerk Larson, Staples World Editor Anderson, staff and community members. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
   b. **Motion** by Reeck, second by Reese, to approve the addition of items 5 d. xiii., 5 d. xiv. and 5 d. xv. **MC**
   Motion by Trout, second by Freeman, to adopt the agenda. **MC**
2. **Chair Wright recognized those in attendance.**
3. **School/Community Forum** - None
4. **Canvass Election Results of April 14, 2026 Special Election**
   a. The Clerk's Certificate of Abstract and Return of Votes Cast was presented.
   b. **Motion** by Reeck, second by Frisk, to approve the Resolution Canvassing Returns of votes of the School District Special Election. *(Roll Call Vote: In favor - Reeck, Reese, Freeman, Frisk, Wright, Trout. Opposed - None)* **MC**
5. **Consent Agenda**
   a. Approve minutes from the March 23, 2026 Board Meeting
   b. Approve the fundraiser requests from Student Council
   c. Accept the resignations of:
      i. Kari Sarych, Dean of Students
      ii. James Jackson, Head Wrestling Coach
      iii. Bobbyjo Johnson, MS/HS Special Education Teacher
   d. Approve the hire of:
      i. Kari Sarych, MS/HS Special Education Teacher 26/27 School year
      ii. Tina Mitts, HS FACS Teacher (1.0 FTE) 26/27 School Year
      iii. Caroline Gadacz, HS Math Teacher 26/27 School year
      iv. Angela Jares, MS Special Ed Teacher 26/27 School year
      v. Bren Salo, HS PE/DAPE Teacher 26/27 School year
      vi. Bobbyjo Johnson, American Indian Liaison Effective August 1, 2026
      vii. Melissa Wright, ECSE Teacher (1.0 FTE) 26/27 School year
      viii. Jeff Sterriker, CTE Industrial Tech Teacher, 26/27 School year
      ix. Holton Truax, Elementary PE Teacher, 26/27 School year
      x. Trisha Brown, Assistant Softball Coach
      xi. Jocelyn Anderson, MS/HS Special Education Teacher 26/27 School year
      xii. Kim Prestridge, Elementary Behavior Interventionist 26/27 School year
      xiii. Kris Mumm, .5 FTE CTE Machine Trades Teacher 26/27 School year
      xiv. Bobbyjo Johnson, American Indian Liaison Effective April 21, 2026 - June 30, 2026
      xv. Jill Kneisl, Head Gardener - May 24, 2026 - Sept. 7, 2026
   e. Approve the 26-27 Agreement with ASPI Solutions Inc., DBA Bound
   f. Approve the 26-27 School Nutrition Programs joint agreement renewal with Freshwater Education District Staples ALC
   g. Approve the 26-27 agreement with Kelly Education
   h. Approve the 26-27 agreement with Northern Pines Mental Health Center, Inc.
   Motion byTrout, second by Reeck, to approve the consent agenda. **MC**

6. **Donations and In-Kind Contributions**
    a. **Motion** by Freeman, second by Wright, to approve the Resolution to accept Grants and Donations in the amount of $4,120 and In-kind donations in the amount of $400. **MC**
7. **Finance Items**
    a. Financial Report was presented by Business Manager Hill
    b. **Motion** by Reeck, second by Trout, to approve the March disbursements. **MC**

General Fund	$	935,576.88
Food Service	$	125,677.21
Community Service	$	19,317.21
Construction Fund	$	0.00
Debt Service	$	0.00
Fund 21 Student Activities	$	9,462.61
Fund 45	$	0.00

    c. **Motion** by Frisk, second by Freeman, to approve the March receipts. **MC**

General Fund	$	1,472,271.17
Food Service	$	85,371.07
Community Service	$	56,581.40
Construction Fund	$	0.00
Debt Service	$	0.00
Fund 21 Student Activities	$	5,632.65
Fund 45	$	0.00

8. **Cabinet Presentation** by Elementary School Principal Koenigs
9. **Personnel**
    a. **Motion** by Reeck, second by Trout, to accept the retirement of Jim Rollins, Transportation effective the end of the 25/26 school year. **MC**
    Thank you Jim for your forty plus years of service to the Staples-Motley School District.
    b. **Motion** by Frisk, second by Wright, to accept the retirement of Jennifer Sapp, Elementary Teacher effective the end of the 25/26 school year. **MC**
    Thank you Jennifer for your eight years of service to the Staples-Motley School District.
10. **Other**
    a. **Motion** by Freeman, second by Frisk, to approve the revision to the 2026-2027 School Calendar with recommendation from SMEA and administration. **MC**
11. **Reports**
    a. School Board:
        i. Freshwater
        ii. Sourcewell - 2/17/2026 Minutes
    b. Elementary Principal
    c. Middle/High School Principal
    d. Activities/Community Ed Director
    e. SMEA
    f. Superintendent
    g. Other
12. **Motion** by Reeck, second by Freeman, to adjourn the meeting at 7:07pm. **MC**

<u>Upcoming Meetings & Events:</u>
May 4, 2026 - School Board Meeting/Work Session; District Office @ 6pm
May 18, 2026 - School Board Meeting; District Office @ 6pm
May 22, 2026 - Class of 2026 Graduation/Last day of school
June 1, 2026 - School Board Meeting/Work Session; District Office @ 6pm
June 22, 2026 - School Board Meeting; District Office @ 6pm