

Ind. School District No. 314
Isanti, Pine, Chisago & Kanabec Counties
Braham, MN 55006

Regular School Board Meeting
Monday, August 18, 2025
6:00 pm BAHS B100
Greeter: Connie Gelle

The regular school board meeting was called to order by Chair Allison Londgren at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members present: - A. Londgren, J. Swanson, K. Hagfors, C. Gelle, M. Eklund, D. Shockman, R. Dahlquist and Supt. Gagner, Absent: None.

Motion by C. Gelle, second by M. Eklund to adopt the agenda. Carried.

Motion by J. Swanson, second by R. Dahlquist to approve the minutes of the July 28th Regular Board Mtg. Approve the July bills of \$173,980.31. The Board approved the following: 1) **Olivia Knowlton** for the SpEd teacher position. Start date will be August 25, 2025. She will be paid BA, step 1. 2) **Jaymi Meyer** for the SpEd teacher position. Start date will be August 25, 2025. She will be paid BA, step 2. 3) **Amanda Arntson** for the Elem. SpEd para position. Start date will be August 25, 2025. She will be paid step 4 of the para contract. 4) **Hannah Sward & Hailey Bruce** for the BASK helper positions. Their start date will be September 2, 2025. They will be paid step 1 per the para scale. 5) **Kathryn Bien** for the Elem. SpEd para position. Start date will be August 25, 2025. She will be paid step 4 of the para contract. 6) **Sarah Brandt** for the Elem. SpEd para position. Start date will be August 25, 2025. She will be paid step 1 of the para contract. 7) **Andrea DeRushia** lane request for MA+10 to MA+20. The advance will take effect in the first semester of the 2025/26 School year. The board accepted resignations from **Nick Hohn & Sue Sperl**. Carried.

Open Forum: None.

Motion by K. Hagfors, second by J. Swanson to approve the Expenditure/Revenue Fund summary report. Carried.

Motion by J. Swanson, second by M. Eklund to acknowledge the August 2025 Donations: \$500 from Grandy Lions to Boys Basketball team. \$900 to BASK for cabinet, toys & activities, \$2,250 to Ag/CTE program for woodworking projects- \$50 per student, \$450 to Ag/CTE program for ice fishing rod building supplies, \$1,260 for sports concession "Meal Deal" coupons, \$150 for Open House decorations all from BACK. Carried.

Principal Eklund's written report was reviewed. Wednesday, September 17 we will have an author, Erin Soderberg Downing, visit our 4, 5, 6 grade students.

Principal/AD Kuhnke's written report was reviewed. Presented the new 7&8 Math ADSIS program.

Flight 707 Principal report was given. Planning for the 25/26 School Year continues.

Supt. Gagner's written report was reviewed. Reports given from various community meetings.

Supt. Gagner congratulated the following staff, students, and community members for their accomplishments as "Braham HONORS" recipients. They are: Jeff Eklund, Doug Lind, Brooke Hohn, Tina Heidelberger, Shawn Kuhnke, Jim Sward, Chris Grote, Connie Gelle, Kevin Stahl, Wayne

Seiberlich, Nick Hohn, Clinton Maxson, Tammi Johnson, Jonelle Klemz, Aaron Christensen, John Swanson, Abby Halseth, Randi Smith, Ava Davis, Jim Sward, Marlys Carlson, Andy Olson, Jodi Splittstoser, Nick Gehrke, Joe Duvernay, Jay Sparling, Aitor Leniz, Nickie Nelson, Julie Johnson, Aaron Christensen, Jan Strohkirch, Jeff Eklund, Shawn Kuhnke, Donna Bryant. Carried.

School board members attended various events and meetings including; negotiations & fall sporting events.

Motion by J. Swanson, second by R. Dahlquist to approve the 2025 - 2027 Master Agreement between the Braham Education Association and Independent School District #314. This is contingent upon successful ratification by the Braham Education Association.

Motion by S. Shockman, second by C. Gelle to adopt the following reviewed policies: #413, #414, #415, #416 Carried.

Reminder of upcoming meetings: September 15th Regular School Board Meeting 6:00 p.m.

Motion by M. Eklund, second by K. Hagfors, to adjourn the Regular School Board meeting. Chair Londgren adjourned the meeting at 6:15 pm.

Attest: _____
Connie Gelle, Clerk

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Allison Londgren, Chair