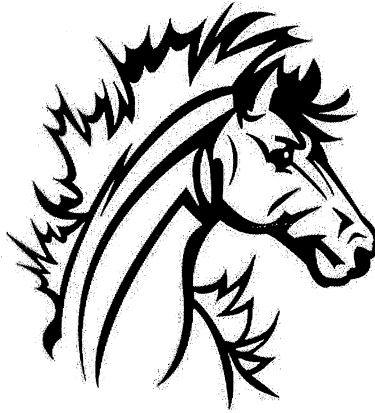


Mohall-Lansford-Sherwood Public School District #1

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

Tuesday May 12, 2026 – 7:00 am
STEM/Board Room
MLS School Board Meeting
Meeting Minutes

Board Members Present: Drake Vendsel, Jake Kaufmann, Andy Grondahl, Matt Undlin, Nathaniel Buynak, Thurstan Johnson, and Ben Ethan

Admin Present: Kelsea Bowers, Heidi Newgard, Cody Beck, Trevor Savelkoul, and Kim Strand

- A. Matt called the meeting to order at 7:00 AM. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- B. Public Comment: None
- C. Consent Agenda: Motion to approve the consent agenda made by Jake, seconded by Ben. M/C
- D. Administration Reports:
 - a. Elementary Principal: Mrs. Bowers handed out a list of staffing assignments for the 2026-2027 school year for the elementary staff and reviewed them with the board.
 - b. High School Principal/Dean of Students: Mr. Beck discussed the JH/HS ICU list.
 - c. Athletic Director: Mr. Savelkoul said that softball and baseball will take the 2nd place seed in the region. Golf regional meets start soon. Track had some athletes qualify for State. Schedules for next year are also posted.
 - d. Superintendent: Mrs. Newgard said that a dehumidifier was ordered for the bus barn. The new school bus should be here in late July. There is a typo on the school calendar, it shows that school dismissal is at 2:00 the last day of school, however, it will be at 11:00 AM. The Mohall 125th Anniversary committee asked to use the practice field for bounce houses and the old gym for church service if the weather is bad. They also asked to use the street in front of the school for the go-carts. She also reported that the playground equipment fundraiser is going well and a little over \$62,000 has been raised. The Senior Class of 2026 approached Mrs. Newgard and asked if they can lead a prayer during their graduation ceremony.
- E. Committee and other Reports: None
- F. Old Business: None
- G. New Business:
 - a. Approve Programs:
 - i. Best in Class, Math and Reading Corps, Summer School, and Driver's Ed were presented. Thurstan motioned to approve all programs. Andy seconded. M/C
 - b. Mrs. Newgard recommended hiring Holly Thompson as full-time for Math Corp tutor and Britany Getty as the part-time Reading Corp tutor. Jake motioned to approve the hires, Nathaniel seconded. M/C
 - c. Drake motioned to grant Kim Strand authority to hire the poll workers from all precincts for the 2026 School Board Election. Nathaniel seconded the motion. M/C
 - d. Thurstan motioned to set the polling hours for the 2026 School Board Election to 8:00AM-7:00PM on June 9th. Drake seconded. M/C
 - e. Mrs. Newgard recommended hiring Karen Carter as the assistant cook. Andy motioned to approve the hiring, Thurstan seconded. M/C

- f. Mrs. Newgard presented the stipends for the 2026-2027 school year. A motion to approve the stipends as presented was made by Drake and seconded by Nathaniel. M/C
- g. Mrs. Newgard presented the extra-curricular hires for the 2026-2027 school year. A motion was made by Andy to approve the hires as presented. Nathaniel seconded the motion. M/C
- h. Nathaniel motioned to approve Mrs. Newgard to represent the MLS school district in the Peace Garden Consortium. Seconded by Jake. M/C
- i. Drake nominated Jake to represent the board in discussions with Kim Strand on her work agreement. Ben seconded the nomination. All ayes, nomination carried.
- j. The board discussed whether MLS should purchase a portion of the marquee on Main Street. Andy made a motion to decline the purchase. Nathaniel seconded the motion. Following discussion, the motion was put to a vote. All members voted aye, and the motion carried to not purchase part of the marquee.

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Andy at 7:32 AM, seconded by Jake. M/C

The next regular board meeting will be June 8, 2026 at 7:00 AM in the STEM/Board Room.

Matt Undlin, School Board President
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