

MINNEOTA PUBLIC SCHOOLS- ISO #414

FEBRUARY 18, 2026 SCHOOL BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of ISO #414, Minneota Public Schools, was called to order by Chair Abby Thostenson on Wednesday, February 18, 2026 at 5:00 pm in the Conference Room.

Roll call was taken. Members present included Emily Coequyt, Jon Buysse, Abby Thostenson, Julie Mead, Tom Skorczewski, and Martin Hennen. Nicolle Johnston, Lindsey Larson, Jay Knutson, Brandon Caster, Kim Caster, and Scott Monson also attended. Ryan Runia was unable to attend the meeting.

Motion by Mead, second by Buysse, to approve the meeting agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Board members and administration shared recognitions of staff and students and highlighted various accomplishments and celebrations.

David Berner from SWVVC shared generative artificial intelligence information with the Board, answered questions, and gave an update on the work of the Minneota AI Task Force.

Superintendent Monson reviewed student enrollment, the Student Activity Fund, and the monthly financial report

Motion by Buysse, second by Hennen, to approve payment of bills and the check register as presented. Motion carried unanimously, with Mead abstaining.

Board committee reports and administrative reports were reviewed.

Motion by Skorczewski, second by Hennen, to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Buysse, second by Coequyt, to approve the 2025-2026 Budget Revision as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Skorczewski, second by Hennen, to approve the 2026-2027 school calendar with the inclusion of a 1:12 pm early dismissal on December 23, 2026. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Skorczewski, second by Coequyt, to approve the 2026-2027 Master Agreement between ISO #414 and Minneota Education Minnesota Organization (MEMO). Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Skorczewski, second by Mead, to approve the 2026-2027 SWVVC Service Cooperative membership agreements. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Buysse, second by Hennen, to accept the E rate bid of \$7,875 from Data Center Warehouse for five uninterruptible power supply batteries. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Skorczewski, second by Mead, to approve a resolution non-renewing a probationary teacher, Jolene Condelli. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Buysse, second by Skorczewski, to approve a resolution non-renewing a probationary teacher, Lucas Damm. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Hennen, second by Skorczewski, to approve a resolution non-renewing a probationary teacher, Shelby Domeier. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Skorczewski, second by Hennen; to approve a resolution non-renewing a probationary principal Lindsey Larson. Motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent Monson discussed potential State Tearn Tournaments and calendar impacts.

Motion by Skorczewski, second by Mead, to approve a resolution directing the administration to make recommendations regarding the reduction and-or discontinuance of programs and positions and reasons therefore. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

The first reading of 7 policies and procedures was conducted, but no formal action was taken.

Motion by Mead, second by Coequyt, to approve a resolution for the acceptance of gifts, donations, and grants. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Motion by Skorczewski, second by Hennen, to approve a School Board Special Meeting at 5:30 PM on Wednesday, March 4, 2026. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Mead, second by Skorczewski, to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:39 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/Martin Hennen
Martin Hennen, Clerk