

Minutes of Maple Valley School Board

Meeting: Regular

Location: Tower City, ND

When: September 9, 2026

Present: Bryce Kasowski, Sara Zaun, Dustin Theurer, Megan McKay, Megan Pfeifer, Joey Bata, George Richman

Absent: Amanda Olauson, Jennifer Koller

Attending: Daniel Larson, Cassandra Preston, Courtney Storhoff, Alecia Killoran, Nathan Hoots

1. Call to Order: 6:11 pm by President, Joey Bata.
2. Additions to the Agenda – none.
3. Approval of Minutes:
A motion was made by D. Theurer and seconded by M. McKay to approve the minutes for the 8/12/26 Regular board meeting. MCU.
4. Approval of Bills:
Discussion was held on the copier company switch made.
A motion was made by G. Richman and seconded by S. Zaun to approve the payment of bills as presented. MCU.

4THROWS, 1,012.0, ADOBE INC, 7.51, ADVANCED BUSINESS METHODS 36,500.00, AED EVERYWHERE 478.96, AMAZON 2,260.47, APPLE INC. 2,739.00, BANK OF AMERICA NATIONAL ASSOCIATION 3,409.39, BEILKE, KAYLA 57.76, BEK COMMUNICATIONS COOPERATIVE 406.00, BEST BUY 549.99, BSN SPORTS LLC 1,727.75, CITY OF TOWER CITY 218.20, COLE PAPERS INC. 2,416.33, CREA 200.00, CRIMINAL RECORDS SECTION 120.00, CULINEX 103.29, DIMMER, NEAL 30.00, EASY TIME CLOCK, INC. 18.00, EVERSPRING INN 440.00, EVERYDAY SPEECH LLC 599.99, FAT MAN TRASH 498.75, FMJ Electric LLC 2,010.00, FSS TECHNOLOGIES LLC 614.00, GRAINGER 41.68, H2I GROUP 7,300.00, Harlow's Bus Sales, Inc 14,989.00, HEKTNER-LYBECK-ERICKSON INS. 32,106.00, Holiday Inn Sioux Falls-City Centre 855.00, HOPE GLASS 1,470.00, JAYMAR BUSINESS FORMS INC 371.79, JOHNSON CONTROLS FIRE PROTECTION LP 2,670.10, KASOWSKI TIRE AND SERVICE 6,971.47, KASPARI, JULIE 104.25, KEITH'S AIR CONDITIONING 2,427.86, LAEHN, NOAH 31.75, LARSON, DAN 387.52, MENARDS (1,959.40), MF ATHLETIC EVERYTHING TRACK&FIELD 274.61, MIDWEST PEST CONTROL 225.00, NDASBMA 50.00, NELSON, RHONDA 39.30, NDCTE 100.00, NDCEL 1,161.00, NDDPI 45.00, OpenAI OpCo, LLC 20.00, OTTERTAIL POWER COMPANY 4,080.43, PARKLAND USA dba FARSTAD OIL, INC. 693.87, PLATINUM PLUMBING SERVICE LLC 2,150.00, PRESTON, CASSANDRA 243.60, PUKLICH CHEVROLET BUICK & GMC 2,468.26, PYE BARKER FIRE & SAFETY 2,173.00, Razor Tracking, INC. 1,673.00, RENAISSANCE INC 9,577.85, SAMS CLUB / SYNCHRONY BANK 3,835.98, SAVVAS LEARNING COMPANY LLC 8,482.32, SVACTE 41,458.75, SHEYENNE VALLEY SP. ED. 30,941.70, SIGNS BY JAN 190.00, SMITH LUMBER COMPANY 7.99, SOCIAL INSTITUTE, THE 3,500.00, SEEC 75.00, STEIN'S INC. 592.86, STUDIES WEEKLY 2,597.45, TARVESTAD, DEBRA 30.40, TIM'S PLUMBING 3,075.00, UNITI 36.84, US POSTAL SERVICE 13.00, VILLAGE FAMILY SERVICE CENTER, THE 1,333.00, WALMART 120.38, WASHBURN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES LLC, 211.00, WEX HEALTH INC 70.00, WORKFORCE SAFETY & INSURANCE 4,376.79, XCEL ENERGY 49.99, GRAND TOTAL 254,635.70

5. Approval of Accounts – General, Activity, Lunch
Discussion was held on the carried over lunch balances from 2025-2026 school year.

A motion was made by M. McKay and seconded by M. Pfeifer to approve the General Fund, Activities, and Hot Lunch accounts as presented and the clearing of checks from the books for 2/14/24, 6/11/24, and 5/19/25. MCU.

6. Reports:

- a. Superintendent: Report given on bus bids, playground equipment installation, humidity issues in building, Infinite Campus transition (Special Education and Lunch program), and bus driving incentives.
- b. Principal/Dean of Students: Report given on School Improvement reports, Eco Ed for 6th graders tomorrow, Homecoming Pep Rally is September 18th in Hope, Items have been ordered from the Safety and Security Grant Funds (Door locks, emergency go bags, and hallway mirrors), Infinite campus transition (grading issues), New Teacher Training (SEEC, ND Rise, and LETRS)
- c. Athletic Director: Participation numbers: Elementary (67%), JH (59%), HS (59%): Flag Football (16), JH Football (10), V Football (10), Cross Country (2), Elem. Volleyball (15), JH Volleyball (13), V Volleyball (26), One Act (11). All coaching positions are filled at this time.
- d. SRO: Currently working on the school zone signs and seeing if there is a way to improve the traffic flow in front of the school building.
- e. Career and Tech Center: New director is eager to get community engagement going; Business Manager took on the Business Manager position in Litchville as well.
- f. President: Thank to Megan for running last month's meeting. Shout out to staff for a good start to the year, asked the board for feedback on agenda topics and engagement.
- g. School Board / Committees: No report at this time.

7. Public Comment

- a. No public comment.

8. Old Business

No Old Business

9. New Business

a. Financial Report Approval

A motion was made by D. Theurer and seconded by B. Kasowski to approve the 2026-2027 Financial Report. MCU

b. Extracurricular Agreements

Kayla Beilke for Student Council Advisor
Brooke Eggermont for SADD Advisor

A motion was made by B. Kasowski and seconded by S. Zaun to approve the Extracurricular Agreements. MCU

c. School Annual Compliance Report

A motion was made by G. Richman and seconded by M. McKay to approve the Annual Compliance Report. MCU

d. Open Enrollment/Tuition Agreement

A motion was made by M. McKay and seconded by B. Kasowski to approve the open enrollment and tuition agreements. MCU

e. Insurance Coverage Review

Review Current coverage documents. No changes were discussed, so no motion was made.

f. Proposed 2026-2027 School Budget

Reviewed the budget overview document and estimated the following mills:

A motion was made by S. Zaun and seconded by G. Richman to approve the proposed budget and the levy of property taxes for the 2026-2027 budget year as follows:

For **General Fund** purposes, a levy of \$1,469,908 or such greater or less amount generated by the product 60 mills times the estimated taxable valuation of the school district.

For **Board Discretionary** purposes, a levy of \$244,985 or such greater or less amount generated by the product 10 mills times the estimated taxable valuation of the school district.

For **School Safety Fund** purposes, a levy of \$122,500 or such greater or less amount generated by the product 5.00 mills times the estimated taxable valuation of the school district.

For **Miscellaneous** purposes, a levy of \$293,982 or such greater or less amount generated by the product 12.00 mills times the estimated taxable valuation of the school district.

For **Special Reserve** fund purposes, a levy of \$73,495 or such greater or less amount generated by the product 3.00 mills times the estimated taxable valuation of the school district.

Roll Call Vote:

Megan M Y

Dustin Y

Sara Y Megan P Y

Jennifer A

Amanda A

George Y

Joey Y Bryce Y

MCU Y: 7 N:0 Absent: 2

10. Meetings to be scheduled:

a. Committee Meetings

- i. School Safety Committee to be formed and date set
- ii. Policy Committee on September 21st @ 5:30 PM

b. Board Meeting: October 7th at 6:00 PM

11. Adjournment at 7:08 PM. A motion to adjourn made by D. Theurer and seconded by B. Kasowski. MCU

Business Manager: _____ date: _____

Board President: _____ date: _____