Staples-Motley School District

School Board Minutes

Meeting #3 - Monday, August 24, 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, Trout, Freeman, Reeck and Reese were present, comprising a quorum. Also present were Superintendent Tappe, Finance Director Hill, Principal Ferdon, Principal Koenigs, AD/CE Wood, Recording Clerk Larson, Staples World Editor Anderson, a member of the public and staff members. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
   b. **Motion** by Frisk, second by Reese, to approve the addition of items 5f, 5g, 5h and 5i. **MC**
   Motion by Freeman, second by Reeck, to adopt the agenda. **MC**
2. **Chair Wright recognized the public and those in attendance**
3. **School/Community Forum** - *None*
4. **ICS Presentation** - *None*
5. **Consent Agenda**
   a. Approve minutes from the August 3, 2026 Board Meeting
   b. Accept the resignation of:
      i. Keri Bendson, Part-time Food Service
      ii. Melissa Jewison, Media Center Paraprofessional
      iii. Carly Bowman, Kindergarten Teacher
   c. Approve the hire of Bren Salo, JH Football Coach
   d. Approve the hire of Heidi Mintz, Fall Musical Director
   e. Approve the fundraiser request from Basketball Boosters
   f. Approve the PSEO agreement with Alexandria Tech & Community College
   g. Approve the hire of Ashlee Lucas, Elementary Custodian
   h. Approve the hire of Morgan Ward, Kindergarten Teacher
   i. Approve the change of assignment for elementary paraprofessional, Jennifer Dobson to Media Center Paraprofessional
   Motion by Trout, second by Frisk, to approve the consent agenda. **MC**
6. **Donations and In-Kind Contributions**
   a. **Motion** by Reeck, second by Freeman, to approve the Resolution to accept Grants and Donations in the amount of $30,469.95 and in-kind donations in the amount of $570. **MC**
7. **Finance Items**
   a. Financial Report by Finance Director Hill
      i. Finance Director Hill presented information regarding the Constitutional Amendment - Permanent School Fund
   b. **Motion** by Frisk, second by Trout, to approve the July disbursements. **MC**

General Fund	$ 1,025,310.88
Food Service	$ 6,725.95
Community Service	$ 23,150.98
Construction Fund	$ 0.00
Debt Service	$ 245,615.00
Fund 21 Student Activities	$ 537.00
Fund 45	$ 0.00

c. **Motion** by Freeman, second by Reeck, to approve the July receipts. **MC**

General Fund	$ 374,205.24
Food Service	$ 12,334.59
Community Service	$ 9,903.84
Construction Fund	$14,460,032.50
Debt Service	$ 465,267.33
Fund 21 Student Activities	$ 0.00
Fund 45	$ 0.00

8. **Cabinet Presentation** by Buildings & Grounds Director Peterson
9. **Personnel**
   a. **Motion** by Freeman, second by Frisk to approve the reduction of 2.0 FTE Middle/High School Special Education Paraprofessionals. **MC**
   b. **Motion** by Reeck, second by Trout to approve the increase of Middle/High School Special Education Teacher Amanda Keplin, from .5 FTE to 1.0 FTE. **MC**
10. **Other**
    a. **Motion** by Reeck, second by Frisk to approve the sealed bids for miscellaneous items. **MC**
    b. **Motion** by Trout, second by Reese to approve the revised 2026-2027 Elementary Handbook. **MC**
    c. **Motion** by Freeman, second by Wright to approve the revised 2026-2027 Middle/High School Handbook. **MC**
11. **Reports**
    a. School Board:
       i. Freshwater
       ii. Sourcewell - *June 16, 2026 & July 21, 2026 Minutes*
    b. Elementary Principal - Report by Principal Koenigs
    c. Middle/High School Principal - Report by Principal Ferdon
    d. Activities/Community Ed Director - CEAC 8-13-2026 minutes and Report by AD/CE Director Wood
    e. SMEA - None
    f. Superintendent - Report by Superintendent Tappe
    g. Other
12. **Motion** by Reeck, second by Freeman, to adjourn the meeting at 6:48pm. **MC**

Upcoming Meetings & Events:

September 1, 2026 - All Staff In-Service
September 8, 2026 - First Day of School
September 16, 2026 - Policy Committee Mtg; District Office @ 7:45am (Trout/Reese)
September 21, 2026 - School Board Meeting; District Office @ 6pm
October 5, 2026 - School Board Meeting(worksession); District Office @ 6pm
October 19, 2026 - School Board Meeting; District Office @ 6pm