

**INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2711  
MESABI EAST SCHOOLS  
AURORA, MN 55705**

**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
February 2, 2026**

CALL TO ORDER: The Regular Board Meeting was called to order by Chair, Walt Hautala at 5:30 p.m. on February 2, 2026 in the Board Room (204) with the following in answer to roll call.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Director Adams, Director Hautala, Director LaFrenier, Director Undeland

Absent: Director Gross, Director Baudhuin

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AGENDA APPROVAL: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director Adams to approve the agenda as amended.

All in favor---Motion passed.

DISTRICT PATRON AND VISITOR COMMENTS: Student Council gave an update on Snoball and Homecoming week.

Consent Agenda: Moved by Director LaFrenier, seconded by Director Hautala to approve the consent agenda as presented: Payrolls and Bills in the amount of \$3,661,142.90; Re-Organization Board Meeting Minutes of January 5, 2026; Regular Board Meeting Minutes of January 5, 2026; Tuition Agreement with Minnesota Transitions Charter School for 1 student with a start date of 1/7/26.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Resolution to Examine Programs and Position for Possible Reduction: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director LaFrenier to approve the resolution as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Director Hautala, Director LaFrenier, Director Undeland, Director Adams

Nays: None --- Motion passed.

Revised 2025-2026 Budget: Moved by Director Hautala, seconded by Director Adams to approve the revised 2025-2026 budget as presented.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Proposed 2026-2027 Budget: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director Adams to accept the proposed 2026-2027 budget as presented.

All in favor---Motion passed.

2026-2027 School Calendar: Moved by Director Adams, seconded by Director LaFrenier to approve the 2026-2027 school calendar as presented.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Consideration for Ratification of Confidential Clerical Agreement: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director LaFrenier to ratify the Master Agreement the 2025-2027 between Confidential Clerical Employees Association and Mesabi East School District #2711.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Resolution Approving a Joint Powers Agreement for the Acquisition and Betterment of an Education Facility in Mt. Iron, Minnesota; and Taking Other Actions with Respect Thereto: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director Hautala to approve the Resolution Approving a Joint Powers Agreement for the Acquisition and Betterment of an Education Facility in Mt. Iron, Minnesota; and Taking Other Actions with Respect Thereto.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Director LaFrenier, Director Undeland, Director Adams, Director Hautala

Nayes: None --- Motion passes

Kelly Education Extension of Term Agreement: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director Adams to approve Amendment Four between Kelly Services, Inc. and Mesabi East School District to extend the term of Agreement until January 1, 2028.

All in favor---Motion passed

504 Coordinator Hire: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director Hautala to approve Janel Scheuring as Elementary 504 Coordinator effective February 2, 2026.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Janitor Assignment: Moved by Director Hautala, seconded by Director LaFrenier to assign Larry Olmstead as Janitor up to 29 hours per week, seasonal effective January 20, 2026.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Janitor Assignment: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director Adams to assign Rebecca Wang as Janitor up to 30 hours per week, 12 month position effective January 23, 2026.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Website Community Sponsorship Recognition Program: Move by Director Undeland, seconded by Director LaFrenier to amend the motion and to table 9.11.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Acceptance of Donations Resolution: Moved by Director Adams, seconded by Director LaFrenier to approve the Acceptance of Donation Resolution: Monetary Donation in the amount of \$250 earmarked for Mesabi East Community Theatre; Monetary Donation in the amount of \$45 earmarked for Kid's Closet; Monetary Donation in the amount of \$1,220 earmarked for the Kid's Closet; Monetary Donation in the amount of \$600 earmarked for Head Phones for testing; Monetary Donations in the amount of \$18,339.95 earmarked for Project Elf, Bicycles, fishing poles, food boxes, quilts, hats, clothing earmarked for Project Elf.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Director Undeland, Director Adams, Director Hautala, Director LaFrenier

Nayes: None --- Motion passed.

Bus Para Resignation: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director LaFrenier to accept the resignation of Tammy Royseth as Bus Para effective January 13, 2026.

All in favor---Motion passed.

REPORTS: Under Separate Cover.

MEETING SCHEDULE: Regular Board Meeting, March 2, 2026, 5:30 p.m., Board Room (204)

Adjournment: Moved by Director Adams, seconded by Director LaFrenier to adjourn at 6:27 p.m.

All in favor---Motion passed.

ATTEST:

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Chair

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Clerk