

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

**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING
June 8, 2026**

CALL TO ORDER: The Regular Board Meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair, Kathy Undeland at 5:30 p.m. on June 8, 2026 in the Board Room (204) with the following in answer to roll call.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Directors Amanda Gross, Chris Baudhuin, Walt Hautala, Kathy Undeland, Superintendent Burgess

Absent: Directors Justin Adams, Pamela LaFrenier

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AGENDA APPROVAL: Moved by Director Baudhuin, seconded by Director Gross to approve the agenda as amended.

All in favor---Motion passed.

DISTRICT PATRON AND VISITOR COMMENTS: None.

Consent Agenda: Moved by Director Gross, seconded by Director Baudhuin to approve the consent agenda as presented: Payrolls and Bills in the amount of \$1,385,155.76; Regular Board Meeting Minutes of May 4, 2026 and Special Board Meeting Minutes of May 28, 2026; Tuition Agreements with Minnesota Transitions Charter School for 4 students with start dates of 8/25/25, 4/28/26 and 7/6/26; ISD 318 Grand Rapids for 1 student with a start date of 1/29/26 and ISD 0625 St. Paul for 1 student with a start date of 3/3/26.

All in favor---Motion passed.

School Spirit Debit Card Program: Moved by Director Gross, seconded by Director Baudhuin to approve the School Debit Credit Program as presented.

All in favor---Motion passed.

MSHSL Membership Renewal Resolution: Moved by Director Baudhuin, seconded by Director Hautala to approve the 2026-2027 Resolution for Membership in the MSHSL.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Director Gross, Baudhuin, Hautala, Undeland

Nayes: None--- Motion passed.

Administrator's Agreement 2025-2027: Moved by Director Baudhuin, seconded by Director Hautala to ratify the Master Agreement for 2025-2027 between Mesabi East Administrator's Association and Mesabi East School District #2711.

All in favor---Motion passed.

MSBA Membership and Policy Services Renewal: Moved by Director Hautala, seconded by Director Undeland to approve the MSBA Membership and Policy Services Renewal for 2026-2027 in the amount of \$5,258.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Projected FY27 Budget: Moved by Director Baudhuin, seconded by Director Gross to approve the Projected FY27 Budget as presented.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Resolution to Enter into Guaranteed Energy Saving Contract for Solar: Moved by Director Baudhuin, seconded by Director Undeland to approve the Resolution to Enter into Guaranteed Energy Savings Contract for Solar.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Directors Baudhuin, Hautala, Undeland, Gross

Nays: None --- Motion passed.

Resolution Establishing Dates for Filing Affidavits of Candidacy: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director Gross to approve the Resolution Establishing Dates for Filing Affidavits of Candidacy as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Directors Hautala, Undeland, Gross, Baudhuin

Nays: None---Motion passed.

ARCC Specific Services Contract: Moved by Director Baudhuin, seconded by Director Gross to approve the ARCC Specific Services Contract for 2026-2027.

All in favor---Motion passed.

PSEO Agreement: Moved by Director Baudhuin, seconded by Director Hautala to approve the Post Secondary Enrollment Options Contract for 2026-2027 with Lake Superior College.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Foster Care Transportation Purchase of Service Agreement: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director Gross to approve the Purchase of Service Agreement for the Transportation of Children and Youth in Foster Care Placement.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Junior Class Advisor Resignation: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director Hautala to accept the resignation of Lauren Prophet as Junior Class Advisor effective May 24, 2026 with appreciation.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Senior Class Advisor Resignation: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director Gross to accept the resignation of Lauren Prophet as Senior Class Advisor effective May 24, 2026 with appreciation.

All in favor---Motion passed.

High School 504 Coordinator Resignation: Moved by Director Baudhuin, seconded by Director Gross to accept the resignation of Lauren Prophet as High School 504 Coordinator effective May 28, 2026 with appreciation.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Summer Child Care Hires: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director Hautala to approve the following as 2026 Summer Child Care workers: Allie Lamma and Hannah Fondie.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Fireman III Resignation: Moved by Director Gross, seconded by Director Baudhuin to accept the resignation of Jon Ridlon as Fireman III effective June 5, 2026 with appreciation for his dedicated service to the district.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Confidential Administrative Assistant Hire: Moved by Director Hautala, seconded by Director Baudhuin to approve Nikki Swanson as the Confidential Administrative Assistant, 32 hours per week, Step 0 effective June 15, 2026.

All in favor---Motion passed.

Maintenance/Bus Driver Hire: Moved by Director Baudhuin, seconded by Director Hautala to approve Jim Karkinen as Maintenance/Bus Driver, 40 hours per week, Step 3 effective June 9, 2026.

All in favor---Motion passed.

School Board Handbook Review: Review of the school board handbook

Acceptance of Donations Resolution: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director Baudhuin to approve the Acceptance of Donations to Mesabi East School District Resolution:

RESOLUTION
Acceptance of Donations to Mesabi East School District

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 465.03 requires a school district to accept donations by resolution expressed in the terms prescribed by the donor in full; and,

WHEREAS, acceptance of the donations in accordance with donor's terms is in the best interest of the Mesabi East School District:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mesabi East School District does accept the below-described donations from said organizations in accordance with the terms set forth herein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mesabi East School District wishes to extend its grateful appreciation to these various individuals and organizations.

- Monetary donation in the amount of \$250 earmarked for feminine hygiene products
- Monetary donation of \$3,800 earmarked for the following: Creative Hearts = \$1,000; Sped. Sensory Room = \$550; Summer Care = \$250; Sr. Class = \$1,000; Weight Room = \$1,000.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Directors Undeland, Gross, Baudhuin, Hautala

Nayes: None--- Motion passed.

Education Identity and Access Management Board Resolution: Moved by Director Undeland, seconded by Director Gross to approve the Education Identity and Access Management Board Resolution as presented.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Directors Undeland, Gross, Baudhuin, Hautala

Nayes: None---Motion passed.

Summer Childcare Hire: Moved by Director Baudhuin, seconded by Director Hautala to approve Addison Eckman as 2026 Summer Child Care Worker.

All in favor---Motion passed.

REPORTS: Under Separate Cover.

MEETING SCHEDULE: Regular Board Meeting, July 6, 2026, 5:30 p.m., Board Room (204)

Adjournment: Moved by Director Baudhuin, seconded by Director Gross to adjourn at 6:36 p.m.

All in favor---Motion passed.

ATTEST:

Chairperson

Clerk