

08/14/2025 School Board Meeting

School Board Minutes

Called to Order: 12:24pm

Roll Call:

Present: Dorothy Olson, Patti Jo Savage, Dale Sautbine and Daniel LaPrairie.

Absent: Carol Wuollet

Others present: Superintendent Tara Dupuis, Principal Daniel Merfeld, Education Grants & Accountability Manager Blake Ludemann and School Counselor Vicki Oberstar.

Reading of Mission Statement and Vision: Dorothy Olson

Approval of Agenda:

Motion to approve the agenda with the addition of number (iii.) the new cell phone policy to new business made by Daniel LaPrairie, 2nd by Dorothy Olson, all in favor, 0 opposed. Motion carried.

Approval of Regular Minutes June 12, 2025:

Motion to approve minutes made by Daniel LaPrairie, 2nd by Dale Sautbine, all in favor, 0 opposed. Motion carried.

Review of Ledger:

No ledger to review.

New Business:

Email Regarding Board Membership Meetings:

- The superintendent sent an email regarding school board attending meetings during their lunch hour.

25-26 Parent/Student Handbook-Draft:

- Addition of wording to the 7 Grandfather Teaching, removed and added some language to Restorative Practices.
- Discussion took place regarding truancy and inclement weather plan.
- The dismissal policy will be updated to include Minnesota's Non-Exclusionary Discipline Policy (K-3).

Motion to approve the changes to the 25-26 Parent/Student Handbook-Draft made by Daniel LaPrairie, 2nd by Dorothy Olson, all in favor, 0 opposed. Motion carried.

Cell Phone Policy:

- Two policies were presented to the school board.

- Discussion regarding both policies.

Motion to approve the student version of the cell phone policy made by Daniel LaPrairie, 2nd by Dale Sautbine, all in favor, 0 opposed. Motion carried.

Old Business:

School Board Elections:

School Board Election held. Congratulations Chairperson Patti Jo Savage and Vice Chairperson Daniel LaPrairie!

Motion to accept the vote made by Daniel LaPrairie, 2nd by Dale Sautbine, all in favor, 0 opposed. Motion carried.

Supervisor Reports-Reviewed:

Superintendent Tara Dupuis; Education Grants and Accountability Manager Blake Ludemann; and Transportation Coordinator Kathy Nelson.

Other:

- The superintendent invited the school board to attend Strategic Planning meetings.
- The Phy-Ed teacher resigned but will still be available to teach Drivers Education class.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Dorothy Olson, 2nd by Dale Sautbine, all in favor, 0 opposed. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 1:29 pm. Recorded by Julia Lintgen