

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 271
Bloomington, Minnesota**

June 28, 2021

- I. ROLL CALL
- Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, and there being a quorum present, the virtual School Board meeting of Independent School District 271 was called to order by Chair Nelly Korman at 7:00 p.m. on June 28, 2021.
- Chair Korman announced that the School Board meeting tonight is being conducted remotely via Google Meet; it is being live streamed by BEC TV and will be replayed per the usual BEC TV replay schedule.
- Chair Korman stated: We acknowledge that Bloomington Public Schools rests on the traditional, ancestral and contemporary land of the Dakota. The name of our state is Mni Sota Makoce, Land where the waters reflect the skies or clouds. Mni means water; Sota means clear, but not perfectly so, cloudy. Makoce means a place, land or country. Recognizing the land is an expression of gratitude and appreciation to those whose territory we reside on, and a way of honoring the Indigenous people.
- Members Present on Roll Call: Nelly Korman, Chair; Dawn Steigauf, Vice Chair; Heather Starks, Clerk; Beth Beebe, Treasurer; Directors Tom Bennett, Mia Olson, and Jim Sorum.
- Attorney Present: David Holman.
- Administration Present: Jenna Mitchler, Mary Burroughs, Rick Kaufman, Jennifer McIntyre, and Rod Zivkovich.
- II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- Recited.
- III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
- Chair Nelly Korman moved to amend the agenda by removing three items from Part A; item “m” Brainpop Order and Terms of Services, “o” Newsela Order and Terms of Service, and “s” Savvas Orders and Terms of Service. Dawn Steigauf seconded. On roll call vote, all directors voted aye. Nelly Korman moved, Beth Beebe seconded, to approve the agenda as amended. On roll call vote, all directors voted aye. Chair Korman noted that these items were removed due to the unavailability of the appropriate staff to answer questions related to the Order/Terms of Service for those three items.
- IV. RECOGNITION OF STUDENTS/STAFF/PUBLIC
- Les Fujitake
- Chair Korman recognized Superintendent Les Fujitake for his 26 years of service to the Bloomington Public Schools; eleven (11) as Director of Finance and Support Services and fifteen (15) as Superintendent. Chair Korman read a Senate resolution honoring Les Fujitake for his dedication and commitment in serving Bloomington Public Schools signed by Secretary of the Senate Cal R. Ludeman; Paul E. Gazelka, Chair of the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration; and Melissa H. Wiklund, State Senator, District 50.
- Public
- Chair Korman reviewed the current procedure for recognizing comments from the public. Kathy Kranz commented and inquired as to the process related to authorizing curriculum content and vendor contracts.

V. PART A

1. *Board Business*

Minutes

- a. Minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting June 14, 2021.
- b. Licensed Personnel: Employments, Rescission of Non-Renewal of Probationary Licensed Teachers. Independent Personnel: Changes of Status. Classified Personnel: Employment. Changes of Status.

Personnel Actions

2. *Grants*

Fresh Fruit & Vegetables
MDE for IM

- a. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 accepts a Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program grant of \$19,527 from the Minnesota Department of Education to Indian Mounds Elementary School for the 2021-2022 school year.

Fresh Fruit & Vegetables
MDE for VVE

- b. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 accepts a Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program grant of \$32,154 from the Minnesota Department of Education to Valley View Elementary School for the 2021-2022 school year.

3. *Contracts/Agreements*

HTC/PSEO/BCCA
Amendment

- a. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves Amendment FY21-A5 to the PSEO income contract with the State of Minnesota acting through its Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities on behalf of Hennepin Technical College to provide PSEO instruction at the Bloomington Career and College Academy effective June 9, 2021 through June 30, 2021.

HTC/Facilities Use/
BCCA

- b. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the Facilities Use Agreement between the State of Minnesota acting through its Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities on behalf of Hennepin Technical College and Independent School District 271. The Facilities Use Agreement is effective from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

HTC/PSEO/BCCA

- c. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the PSEO contract with the State of Minnesota acting through its Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities on behalf of Hennepin Technical College to provide PSEO instruction at the Bloomington Career and College Academy effective July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.

HTC/Construction
Technology/BCCA

- d. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the Customized Training Income Contract between the State of Minnesota acting through its Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities on behalf of Hennepin Technical College and Independent School District 271 to provide Construction Technology instruction for the Bloomington Career and College Academy. The Customized Training Income Contract is effective from September 8, 2021 through December 2, 2021.

HTC/Cosmetology/
BCCA

- e. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the Customized Training Income Contract between the State of Minnesota acting through its Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities on behalf of Hennepin Technical College and Independent School District 271 to provide Cosmetology instruction at the Bloomington Career and College Academy. The term of this agreement is from September 8, 2021 through June 9, 2022.

- HTC/PSEO/Motion Control/BCCA
- f. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the PSEO Income Contract with the State of Minnesota acting through its Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities on behalf of Hennepin Technical College to provide Motion Control Technology in Industrial Applications instruction for the Bloomington Career and College Academy. The term of the contract is effective from September 8, 2021 through May 22, 2022.
- HTC/PSEO/T2C/BCCA
- g. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the PSEO Income Contract with the State of Minnesota acting through its Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities on behalf of Hennepin Technical College to provide services known as T2C to Bloomington Career and College Academy students. The term of the contract is effective from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.
- HTC/PSEO/Early Middle College/BCCA
- h. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the PSEO Income Contract with the State of Minnesota acting through its Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities on behalf of Hennepin Technical College to provide PSEO for Early Middle College (EMC) instruction at the Bloomington Career and College Academy. The term of the Income Contract is effective from July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.
- MN Opportunity Corps Site Agreement
- i. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the Site Agreement between Minnesota Opportunity Corps and Independent School District 271 with respect to the assignment of one (1) Minnesota Opportunity Corps member to perform services for the 2021-2022 school year to help program participants become more self-sufficient.
- Panorama Education Teacher/Staff SEL (One year)
- j. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the Service Order and its Agreement with Panorama Education for teacher and staff surveys and the use of social-emotional learning screening tools and instructional resources. The cost for the Service Order is \$5,250.00 for one (1) year.
- Panorama Education Student SEL (Three years)
- k. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the Service Order and its Agreement with Panorama Education for student survey programming and use of social-emotional learning screening tools and instructional resources. The cost for the Service Order is \$32,112.00 per year for three (3) years for a total of \$96,336.00.
- Illuminate Education/FastBridge 2021-2024
- l. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the Illuminate Education Inc. three-year Client Order and Master Subscription Licenses & Services Agreement in the amount of \$40,500.00 for each of the three school years—2021-2022, 2022-2023, 2023-2024—and authorizes Dr. Dave Heistad, Executive Director of Research, Evaluation and Assessment, to sign on behalf of the District.
- McGraw-Hill Software 2021-2022
- m. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the Mc-Graw Hill Sales Order that includes Terms of Service to purchase McGraw-Hill software for our middle schools and high schools. This order is effective July 1, 2021 through June 20, 2022.
- IXL Software 2021-2024
- n. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the IXL Sales Order that includes Terms of Service to purchase IXL software for our elementary schools and middle schools. This order is effective September 1, 2021, to September 1, 2024.

TCI Software
2021-2024

o. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the TCI Sales Order that includes Terms of Service to purchase TCI software for our middle schools and high schools. This order is effective July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2024.

Snap & Read
Software 2021-2024

p. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the Sales Order that includes Terms of Service to purchase Snap & Read software for district K-12 students. This order is effective July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2024.

4. Finance

Finance Reports/
Receipts &
Disbursements

- a. Statement of Revenues and Statement of Expenditures for May 2021.
- b. Receipts and Disbursements for May 2021.

Nelly Korman moved, Dawn Steigauf seconded, to approve Part A items in accordance with all of the written material submitted to the School Board. On roll call vote, all directors voted aye.

VI. PART B Paraprofessional Negotiations Update

Mary Burroughs, Executive Director of Human Resources, provided an update regarding paraprofessional negotiations for 2019-2021 contract. As reported previously, the District gave its last/best/final offer on March 17, 2021. That means we have negotiated the contract to the Board parameters for the 2019-2021 contract cycle. All other units for the 2019-2021 contract cycle have settled with the last unit being settled over a year ago. All units accepted wage and benefit increases that are in line with the offer to the paraprofessionals for the 2019-2021 contract. We met many times at the negotiation table and went to three rounds of mediation with the Bureau of Mediation Services of Minnesota with no settlement. We have asked that the unit take the last/best/final offer to the membership and they will not do so. The District is asking once again that the unit take the last/best/final offer to the membership. More information about the specifics of the last/best/final offer can be found on the Human Resources page of the school district website under Employee Contracts Negotiations Updates along with the tentative agreement reached with the unit.

Donations

Dawn Steigauf moved, Beth Beebe seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 accepts donation as indicated in the background in the amount of \$16,734.82. On roll call vote, all directors voted aye.

MONETARY--Donation of \$1,000.00 to Jefferson High School from Mr. & Mrs. Bud Nordstrom for the Earth Corp Unity Garden, to help pay for supplies. Donation of \$300.00 to Kennedy High School from Vanguard for Kennedy Community Alliance. Donation of \$2,982.54 to Indian Mounds Elementary School from Emily Wendt to provide free yearbooks to every student. Donation of \$12,124.68 to Olson Elementary School from the Estate of Joan M. Bond to use at the school's discretion. Donation of \$327.60 to Community Education Center from Jason Larson for the Metro South Volunteer program to help purchase supplies.

Bid Award/Rebid
Jefferson-Olson
Mechanical Plant
Temperature
Controls

Mia Olson moved, Dawn Steigauf seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 accepts a bid of \$164,425 from Siemens Industry, Inc. for temperature controls for the Jefferson-Olson Mechanical Plant. On roll call vote all directors voted aye.

Kraus-Anderson (KA) Construction Company had originally reviewed bids that were received on April 27, 2021, for the Jefferson-Olson Mechanical Plant project. At that time, KA recommended that the single bid received for the project scope of temperature controls be rejected. KA solicited new quotes for temperature controls and received five competitive bids on June 10, 2021. It is recommended that the district accepts the Siemens Industry bid of \$164,425. Funding for this project is from Alternative Facilities Fund. Our attorney and insurance agent have reviewed the AIA A132/CMA standardized contract, which will be used with the contractor.

Establishing School
Board Election 2021

Heather Starks moved, Dawn Steigauf seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves:

1. November 2, 2021, as the date for a School Board General Election.
2. No School District Primary Election.
3. Terms and Conditions for the Election per attachments (on file) including the list of polling locations.

On roll call vote all directors voted aye.

The terms of four (4) school board members [Beth Beebe, Tom Bennett, Jim Sorum and Dawn Steigauf] are expiring in 2021; therefore, an election to fill the expiring seats needs to be held. This resolution is part of process to hold such an election. The School Board previously rescinded its resolution to conduct a primary election for School Board elections thereby establishing a no primary status, which is in effect until revoked by subsequent School Board action. The City provided the VOTE 2020 factsheet; the information is accurate and being used for the 2021 election.

Committed Fund
Balance Categories
2020-2021

Mia Olson moved, Beth Beebe seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the following Committed Fund Balance Categories for the 2020-2021 fiscal year: Wellness Dollars, Band Uniform and Instrument Replacement, Staff Development, Athletics and Activities, and Site Department Carry-Over Funds. On roll call vote, all directors voted aye.

To conform to new Governmental Accounting Standard Board (GASB) Statement 54 and Policy 701.3, we are asking the School Board to approve Committed Fund Balance Categories. The actual dollar amounts for each category will be presented to the School Board for approval after completion of the 2020-2021 fiscal year audit.

Budget
Adoption
2021-2022

Dawn Steigauf moved, Beth Beebe seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the proposed 2021-2022 revenue and expenditure budgets for all funds. On roll call vote, all directors voted aye.

There are six major budget areas:

1. General Fund: General Operations/Transportation, Operating Capital, Alternative Facilities (Deferred Maintenance), Capital Projects (Technology/Security), Student Activities.
2. Food Service.
3. Community Education: Programming, Support Services.
4. Alternative Facilities (Bond Proceeds).
5. Debt Service.
6. Insurance and Internal Services, Other Post-Employment Benefits Trust: Self-Insured Dental, Self-Insured Medical, Severance and Vacation accrual.

The rationale and justification for the proposed budgets were discussed in detail at the June 14, 2021, School Board Meeting. On file is a worksheet that reflects the total budget by fund.

Policy Review

Tom Bennett, Chair of the Board Policy Committee, reviewed each of the following policies that were reviewed and approved at the June 15th meeting of the committee and invited comments by School Board members. The policies were reviewed and approved by legal counsel, David Holman.

414

Revised Policy 414: Mandated Reporting of Child Neglect or Physical or Sexual Abuse – Jenna Mitchler

This is a mandatory policy. The MSBA model was last revised in 2019 and the suggested edits here reflect changes in the MSBA model. Language has been revised in the Policy Purpose, and in Regulation sections 2.D. and IV. A. and B., creating alignment to the revised MSBA model. A sentence from II.D. in the original Regulation was maintained and moved to section II.L. Pronouns “he/she” have been changed to “they/them.”

510.5

Revised Policy 510.5: Shared-Time Students – Jenna Mitchler

This policy has been reviewed for alignment to state statute regarding online learning and shared-time students. Work-based, project-based and online learning cannot be reported to the state for shared-time enrollment reimbursement. This policy has been updated to show that families wishing to take online courses as shared-time students are allowed to do so while paying tuition, in agreement with a school district.

501

Revised Policy 501: Weapon-Free Schools – Jennifer McIntyre

This policy is identified on the five-year cycle for review. This is a mandatory MSBA policy that follows the MSBA model with modifications. A few words were removed from the purpose statement to match our District format. This policy was first reviewed by the Board Policy Committee on April 20 at which time edits were suggested. The revised policy reflects the suggestions for gender neutral language and the considerations around the use of school district property for the purpose of a gun or knife show. In Policy 902, Regulation 902, p. 5 lists limits for facility use. The policy has been reviewed with Jenna Mitchler, Rick Kaufman, middle school and high school principals and activities directors and community education.

Board member discussion generated questions related to shared-time students and eligibility for athletics and activities. There were questions regarding the Weapon-Free Schools policy as well. Director Olson was unable to share all of her concerns about Policy 501 due to technical issues with google meet for this meeting. She will share her concerns with Jennifer McIntyre and the policy will be revisited by the committee at its next meeting, which tentatively will be scheduled for August. Policy 414 will be presented for final action at the next School Board meeting under Part A (Consent Actions). Policy 510.5 will be moved forward upon information being provided to Board members regarding the eligibility question.

School/Board Member
Ambassador Pairings
2021-2022

School/Board Member Ambassador pairings have changed for the 2021-2022 school year. The information will be posted on the District's website. School Board discussion included the possible addition of a Board Member Ambassador for New Code Academy.

VII. BOARD MEMBER
REPORTS

Dawn Steigauf highlighted the upcoming Chip In for Schools golf tournament sponsored by the Education Foundation of Bloomington on July 27 at the Wilds. This fundraiser supports student stipends, Food for Thought, classroom innovation grants and student scholarships. Tom Bennett reported that the District 917 organizational meeting of the Board is scheduled for July 20; this will be the first meeting for two new board members and the new superintendent.

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT'S
REPORT

Assistant Superintendent Dr. Jenna Mitchler indicated that the School Board has not held board meetings in July for the last several years. In consultation with Chair Korman and Superintendent Melbye, administration requested a motion to cancel the School Board meetings scheduled for July 12 and July 26. So moved by Tom Bennett and seconded by Dawn Steigauf. On roll call vote, all directors voted aye.

The next School Board meeting will be August 9.

On behalf of Bloomington Public Schools, Dr. Mitchler thanked the many organizations, businesses and individuals who have supported our students, staff and programs through grants and donations—monetary and in-kind. It is very much appreciated.

Dr. Mitchler recognized Superintendent Les Fujitake as he leaves the school district after 26 years of service and extended a welcome to Dr. Eric Melbye who will be the new Superintendent as of July 1.

IX. OTHER

None.

X. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the School Board, Nelly Korman moved, Dawn Steigauf seconded, to adjourn the meeting. On roll call vote, all directors voted aye. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Heather Starks, Clerk