

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

August 14, 2023

I. ROLL CALL

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, and there being a quorum present, the School Board meeting of Independent School District 271 was called to order by Chair Heather Starks at 7:00 p.m. on August 14, 2023, in the Arlene Bush Board Room at the Educational Services Center, 1350 West 106th Street, Bloomington, Minnesota.

Chair Starks acknowledged 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:

Heather Starks, Chair; Dawn Steigauf, Vice Chair; Mia Olson, Clerk; Matt Dymoke, Treasurer; Beth Beebe, Tom Bennett and Nelly Korman.

Administration Present:

Eric Melbye, Jenna Mitchler, Andy Kubas, Rick Kaufman, Jennifer McIntyre, and Rod Zivkovich.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Recited.

III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Matt Dymoke moved, Dawn Steigauf seconded, to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

IV. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Dr. Eric Melbye reminded the public that the 2023-2024 school year will begin prior to Labor Day. First day for students in Grades 6-12 is August 28. First day for students in Grades K-5 is August 29. Over 200 families have been helped by our Summer Enrollment team so far this summer. The district expanded the support for families by six weeks this school year based on a Welcome Center task force recommendation. The district service will be open to families until September 29 and will help support schools during back to school. The Bloomington Chamber of Commerce board met today. Jonathan Weinhagen, the President and CEO of the Minneapolis Regional Chamber, was in attendance and we had conversation about how the Chamber can work with our school district to promote our programming and enhance pathways for our students with existing businesses in Bloomington.

Dr. Melbye asked for a motion to establish a closed session of the School Board on August 28. Pursuant to M.S. 13D.03 to discuss the District's labor negotiations strategy related to the District's negotiations with bargaining groups, the School Board will meet in closed session on Monday, August 28, 2023, upon conclusion of the regular School Board meeting. So moved by Matt Dymnoke, seconded by Dawn Steigauf. Motion carried unanimously.

VI. PART A

1. *Board Business*

Minutes

- a. Minutes of the Regular School Board Meeting June 26, 2023.
- b. Licensed Personnel: Retirement, Resignations, Employments, Changes of Status, Rescission of Non-Renewal of Probationary Teachers. Administrative Personnel: Employment, Changes of Status. Independent Personnel: Resignations, Employments, Changes of Status. Classified Personnel: Retirements, Resignations, Employments, Rescission of Classified Personnel, Changes of Status.

Personnel Actions

2. *Policy Approval*

Policy 410

- a. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves revised Policy 410, Family and Medical Leave.

Policy 413

- b. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves no change to Policy 413, Harassment and Violence.

Policy 514

- c. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves revised Policy 514, Bullying Prohibition.

Policy 522

- d. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves revised Policy 522, Title IX Sex Nondiscrimination Policy, Grievance Procedure and Process.

Policy 550

- e. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves revised Policy 550, Student Handbooks.

Policy 722

- f. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves new Policy 722, Public Data Requests.

3. *Grants*

MDE Pathways II

Early Learning

Scholarships

- a. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 accepts a two-year Pathway II Early Learning Scholarship grant from the Minnesota Department of Education. The Pathway II Scholarship allocation is \$147,742.50 for fiscal year 2024 and \$147,742.50 for fiscal year 2025.

4. *Contracts/Agreements*

Student Teaching

St. Thomas 2023-2026

- a. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves a Student Teaching Agreement with St. Thomas University. The agreement will be in effect from July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026.

City/Early Childhood

Screening 2023-2024

- b. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the Services Agreement between the City of Bloomington, Minnesota (City) and Independent School District 271 (School District). The goal of the agreement is to streamline the screening process and refer families to resources in a timely manner by reducing the number of re-screens needed and removing the language barrier that may exist in the screening process. The agreement shall remain in force and effect from the date of signing and continuing until the earlier of April 30, 2024, or completion of the Services unless terminated by City or amended pursuant to the agreement.

TEN7 Care Lite

Metro South ABE

2023-2024

- c. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the TEN7 Care Lite Agreement between TEN7 Interactive, LLC and Independent School District 271. This agreement states that TEN7 will host, provide version updates and backups and offer support of the Metro South Adult Basic Education website. The monthly fee for services will be \$850. The service period will begin on 7/1/2023 through 6/30/2024 or upon termination of the agreement.

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| IXL Learning
Metro South ABE
2023-2024 | d. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the Site License Renewal with IXL Learning and Independent School District 271. The license provides curriculum for 900 students attending Metro South. The license also provides a professional development package called IXL Power-up for a total cost of \$21,695. The license period starts on August 15, 2023 and runs through August 15, 2024. |
| BAYADA Home Care
2023-2024 | e. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the agreement between BAYADA Home Health Care, Inc. and Independent School District 271 effective August 15, 2023 through June 30, 2024. |
| BAYADA Home Care
2023-2024 | f. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the agreement between BAYADA Home Health Care, Inc. and Independent School District 271 for a second student (MM) effective August 15, 2023 through June 30, 2024. |
| Hudl/Kennedy
2023-2026 | g. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the Sales Order and Organization Terms of Service between Hudl and Independent School District 271 for a three-year term starting August 1, 2023 through July 31, 2026 for Kennedy High School. |
| Hudl/Jefferson
2023-2025 | h. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the updated Sales Order and the Organization Terms of Service between Hudl and Independent School District 271 for the remaining two years of a three-year agreement effective July 15, 2023 through July 14, 2025 for Jefferson High School. |
| Twig Education/
Image Learning
Beacon 2023-2026 | i. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the Terms and Conditions of Company Services between Twig Education, Inc. a subsidiary of Image Learning LLC, and Independent School District 271 for Beacon Alternative Learning Center effective August 1, 2023 through July 31, 2026. |
| Comcast Cable
Communications
2023-2024 | j. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the agreement with Comcast Cable Communications Management, LLC for SIP voice services for the 2023-2024 school year for a cost of \$5,868. |
| SWWC Service
Cooperative
Five Years | k. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the agreement with SWWC Service Cooperative for Comprehensive Cyber Security services for a five-year term with an Annual cost of \$157,751.70. |
| Edina Tuition for
New Code Academy
2023-2024 | l. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the tuition agreement with Independent School District 273 (Edina Public Schools) to provide educational services to Independent School District 273 students through New Code Academy for the 2023-2024 school year. |
| CDW Government
Three Years | m. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the agreement with CDW Government LLC for Google Workspace for Education licensing. This agreement is for three years with a 2023-2024 cost of \$46,561.50. |
| U of M Study
MN Autism &
Developmental
Disabilities | n. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the agreement with the University of Minnesota to conduct a study with Minnesota Autism and Developmental Disabilities Monitoring Network. |

NCC for Statway
Programming at
Kennedy 2023-2024

o. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the Income Contract with the State of Minnesota acting through its Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities on behalf of Normandale Community College for Statway 1 (Math 0990) Programming at Kennedy High School for the 2023-2024 fall term.

CEC Living the Plan
2023-2024

p. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the Consulting Services Agreement with Catalyst for Educational Change (CEC) to provide consulting services for strategic planning as set forth in the proposal document that includes the Scope of Work identified activities in the Scope of Services for Living the Plan at a cost not to exceed \$7,750 plus any reasonable expenses agreed upon by the parties. Additional services may be added as mutually agreed upon and at an additional fee.

CEC Leadership
Coaching 2023-2024

q. RESOLVED, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves the Consulting Services Agreement with Catalyst for Educational Change (CEC) to provide consulting services for strategic planning as set forth in the proposal document that includes the Scope of Work identified activities in the Scope of Services for Leadership Coaching at a cost not to exceed \$7,200 plus any reasonable expenses agreed upon by the parties. Additional services may be added as mutually agreed upon and at an additional fee.

6. *Finance*
Receipts &
Disbursements

a. Receipts and Disbursements June 2023.

Dawn Steigauf moved, Nelly Korman seconded, to approve Part A items in accordance with all of the written material submitted to the School Board. Motion carried unanimously.

VI. PART B
Establishing
School Board
Election 2023

Mia Olson moved, Matt Dymoke seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves: November 7, 2023 as the date for a School Board General Election. No School District Primary Election. Terms and Conditions for the election (on file). Motion carried unanimously.

The terms of three (3) school board members are expiring in 2023; 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.

IOWA Authorization
2023-2024

Tom Bennett moved, Matt Dymoke seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 designates Superintendent Eric Melbye as the Identified Official with Authority (IOWA) with the Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) for the Education Identity and Access Management (EDIAM) system with authority to assign job duties and authorize user access for MDE secure Systems for Independent School District 271-Bloomington Public Schools. Motion carried unanimously.

The Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) requires that school districts annually designate an Identified Official with Authority (IOwA) to comply with State Access Control Security Standard 1.0, which states that all user access rights to Minnesota state systems must be reviewed and recertified at least annually. The IOwA will assign job duties and authorize users access to MDE secure systems for its local education agency (LEA). This School Board action will be forwarded to the Minnesota Department of Education as a matter of record.

Superintendent
Evaluation 2022-2023

Chair Heather Starks provided a summary statement regarding superintendent evaluation. In the closed sessions on Monday, June 12, and Monday, June 26, the School Board met to conduct an evaluation of the Superintendent for the 2022-2023 school year relating to goals set forth for the year and competencies set forth in state statute. The evaluation indicated that Dr. Melbye scored highly effective or effective in all categories and comments were positive. Of particular note by the School Board was his role in the passage of the Safe and Innovative Schools referendum levy, development of a new strategic plan, improved employee relations, strong School Board relations, community and district relations, and overall management of the budget. The School Board appreciates Dr. Melbye's pursuit of continuing improvement and continued efforts in the areas of School Board committees, student academic achievement and school improvement plans.

Superintendent
Contract 2024-2027

Dawn Steigauf moved, Nelly Korman seconded, that the School Board of Independent School District 271 approves a new three-year contract effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027 with Dr. Eric Melbye as Superintendent of the Bloomington Public Schools under the terms and conditions agreed to and set forth in the Superintendent Contract attached hereto (on file). The School Board authorizes and directs Chair Heather Starks and Clerk Mia Olson to sign the contract. Motion carried unanimously.

The current contract for Superintendent Eric Melbye will expire on June 30, 2024. The new contract for Superintendent Eric Melbye is for three years effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027. In consultation with the Board Vice Chair Dawn Steigauf and the Board Treasurer Matt Dymoke, the terms and conditions of the contract have been prepared by the District's Counsel and agreed to by Dr. Melbye. The new contract is the second three-year contract for Dr. Melbye.

VII. BOARD MEMBER
REPORTS

Matt Dymoke shared that the new Finance and Facilities Committee of the School Board held its first meeting. Members are Matt Dymoke, Tom Bennett and Beth Beebe. Nelly Korman highlighted the AMSD/MSBA information video that is available for viewing. Dawn Steigauf reported on the information meeting that was held July 19 for persons with potential interest in becoming a school board member. Beth Beebe highlighted the recent Learning Linkup event. Mia Olson highlighted upcoming events of the Early Learning Advisory Council.

VIII. OTHER

None.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the School Board, Chair Heather Starks adjourned the meeting at 8:44 p.m. A closed session for superintendent evaluation commenced upon the conclusion of the meeting.

Mia Olson, Clerk