

**BOARD BRIEFS
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 553
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 24, 2025**

CALL TO ORDER BY THE CHAIR- at 5:30 pm.
Pledge of Allegiance

ATTENDANCE & DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM- All School Board Members plus Superintendent A Johnson, M. Young, J. Brockway, M. Radniecki, M. Maki, Student Representative D. Selander, and visitors C. Bushinger, D. Grieger, E. Von Ruden and Taylor Kupfer.

SETTING THE AGENDA TO DETERMINE THE ORDERS OF THE DAY- Approved.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES- Approved.

BUSINESS AFFAIRS AND APPROVAL OF BILLS- Approved.

STAFF/STUDENT PRESENTATIONS AND/OR VISITOR'S COMMENTS

REPORTS- Administrative Reports- Activities- Spring Sports starting with high numbers, **Student Representative-** Spring events and school happenings, **Elementary-** Author visit, conferences, spring activities, **High School-** Conferences, spring week, testing, **Superintendent-** Legislation; **Business Office Reports-** Area meetings; **School Board- Committee Meetings-** Negotiations and Personnel 02/24/25, Curriculum, Instruction and Policy 3/24/2025, Superintendent Evaluation process discussion.

OLD BUSINESS-

SECOND READING OF POLICY #524.5 PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES- Approved.

CONSENT ITEMS- CONTRACTS- Astera Health Sports Trainer for 2025-26 Contract, **DONATIONS-** Steve's Sanitation, Inc. \$250 to Close Up, Ottetail Aggregate, Inc. \$500 to Trap Team, Brunswick \$250 to BPA, Coca-Cola, \$1787.40 to the School District, Brunswick Boat Group \$5000 for the Football Scoreboard, New York Mills Lions Club \$2500 for the Football Scoreboard. Approved.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVE CONTRACT WITH ICS FOR FACILITY NEEDS ASSESSMENT- Tabled for next meeting.

FFA OVERNIGHT STAY- April 2025- Approved.

2025-26 CALENDAR- Approved.

ADDITIONAL PE/HEALTH TEACHER for 2025-2026- Approved.

RESOLUTION APPROVING LONG-TERM FACILITY MAINTENANCE PROGRAM BUDGET AND AUTHORIZING THE INCLUSION OF A PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THOSE PROJECTS IN THE DISTRICT'S APPLICATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2027 LONG-TERM FACILITY MAINTENANCE REVENUE- Freshwater Education District School Board has approved a long-term facility maintenance program- Approved.

FIRST READING OF POLICY #700.21 DISPOSITION OF TROPHIES- Approved.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS- High School BET- March 6, 2025 Meeting.

PERSONNEL CONSENT ITEMS- APPOINTMENTS- Z. Hocking - Head Football Coach, H. Wurst - Head Volleyball Coach, Alli Bauck- Junior High Softball, C. Dunrud- Junior High Softball, A. Anderson- Elementary Paraprofessional, L. McLeod- Part-Time Cleaner, C. Wolk- Paraprofessional, **RESIGNATIONS-** E. Barthel- Paraprofessional, M. Schmitz- Elementary Administrative Assistant, S. Lachowitz-ECFE Teacher, T. Bloomquist-Paraprofessional, **LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUEST-** D. Kupfer- February - May 2025, **REQUEST FOR TIME OFF W/O PAY-** M. Wattenhofer- 2 days, **EMPLOYMENT CONTRACTS-** MOU with EM-NYM Paraprofessionals. Approved.

ADJOURNMENT- at 6:36 pm.

UPCOMING MEETINGS
Regular Meeting – April 28, 2025 5:30 pm

