

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

CALL TO ORDER BY THE PRESIDENT- at 5:30 pm.
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ATTENDANCE & DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM- All School Board Members plus Superintendent A. Johnson, M. Maki, Student Representative D. Selander, Visitors E. Blaha, A. Bauck, M. Bauck, T. Bauck, B. Weller and C. Koenen of the press.

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

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES- Approved.

BUSINESS AFFAIRS AND APPROVAL OF BILLS- Approved.

PRESENTATIONS- Best Buddies Program-Elyssa Blaha

REPORTS- Business Office Report- Potential Refunding of Existing Bonds, Credit card charges increasing; **Administrative Report- Activities-** Winter Events ending and Spring sports will begin in March, **Student Representative-** Mock Trial, High School Activities and competitions, **Elementary-** I Love to Read month- Author visit postpones, PreK Registration night March 3, Kindergarten Registration March 13, Trimester ends February 28, **High School-** No report, **Superintendent-** Trainer available during school hours and working on having one for events, Legislation, MSBA Negotiations meeting February 25, **School Board-** Committee Meetings- Curriculum, Instruction and Policy 02/10/25, Negotiations and Personnel 02/24/25, Workshop 02/10/25.

OLD BUSINESS- None.

CONSENT ITEMS- CONTRACTS- SW/WC Service Contract 2025-26, Lakeland Mental Health Center Additional service through May 2025; **DONATIONS-** Pampered Chef donation of \$250 in product from M. Keskitalo to FACS, Perham Sportsmans Club \$1500 to Trap Team, Brunswick \$250 to Close Up for Purse Bingo Fundraiser, Kit Masters, Inc \$1000 to BPA, Kit Masters, Inc \$250 to Close-up, First Congregational United Church of Christ, Lamson Family Trust \$1,000 to Close Up, NYM Lions \$2500 to Trap Team, NYM Lions \$2500 for Football scoreboard. Approved.

NEW BUSINESS

OUT OF DISTRICT BUS REQUESTS- None.

FIRST READING OF POLICY #524.5 Personal Electronic Communication Devices- Approved.

BPA OVERNIGHT STAY- March 2025- Approved.

2025-26 CALENDAR- Review only.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS- Elementary BET Minutes 02/18/25.

PERSONNEL CONSENT ITEMS- APPOINTMENTS- J. Rimpila-Bus Driver, C. Stoll-Long term Para Sub, B. Dunrud-Activities Director 2025-26; **RESIGNATIONS/RETIREMENTS-** N. Schik- Paraprofessional, M. Small- Paraprofessional, T. Olson, Head Volleyball Coach, C. Loch, Paraprofessional; **LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUEST-** J. Lohmiller- 09/2025-11/2025, J. George 3/2025-5/2025 Revised dates; **REQUEST FOR TIME OFF W/O PAY-** K. Tervo Request- One day. Approved.

ADJOURNMENT- 5:54 pm.

UPCOMING MEETINGS
Regular Meeting – March 24, 2025 5:30 pm

