

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #2155 REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

February 24, 2025

The regular and organizational meeting of the Independent School District #2155 was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chair Dan Lawson. Other Board members present: Melissa Seelhammer, Julie Bushinger, Brandon Kern, Amanda Schmidt, Barb Tumberg and Supt. Lee Westrum.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion was made by Seelhammer, seconded by Bushinger to approve the agenda. Motion approved unanimously.

Seelhammer nominated Brandon Kern for the office of Vice Chair and he was elected by acclamation.

A motion was made by Kern, seconded by Seelhammer to leave school board compensation for 2025 at the same rates as 2024. The rates for 2025 are:

\$2,200	Board Member Annual Salary
\$600	Chair
\$135	Vice Chair, Clerk and Treasurer
\$1,175	Negotiators

A motion was made by Tumberg, seconded by Bushinger, to approve the January 21, 2025 Regular Board Meeting minutes. Motion approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Kern seconded by Bushinger, to approve the hires of Kirsten Carry, Food Service; Jerome Nelson, Custodian; Taylor Busch, Asst. Track; Eric Foley, Bus Driver. Motion approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Seelhammer, seconded by Schmidt, to approve the resignations of Kate Decker, EL Teacher; Monica Watson, Social Worker/Therapist. Motion approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Kern, seconded by Schmidt, to approve the Business Manager's report. Motion approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Tumberg, seconded by Kern, to amend the agenda and add "Manual Journal Entries." Motion approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Schmidt, seconded by Bushinger, to approve the Manual Journal Entries as presented. Motion approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Bushinger, seconded by Tumberg, to approve the following Disbursements:

 Vendor Check #'s
 47256 - 47464
 \$384,908.41

 Credit Card (BMO Harris Bank):
 \$5,617.39

 Student Activity Check #'s
 23378 - 23389
 \$17,186.61



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Motion approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Seelhammer, seconded by Bushinger, to approve the following donations to the district:

Donor	Purpose	Amount
Nathan & Annamarie Tabery	Music Department	\$300.00
MN FFA Foundation	FFA	\$1,000.00

Motion approved unanimously.

Mary Ellenson gave an update on the American Indian Parent Advisory Committee.

A motion was made by Bushinger, seconded by Schmidt, to issue a vote of nonconcurrence for the AIPAC Compliance Report. Motion approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Tumberg, seconded by Kern, to amend the 2024-2025 budget as presented. Motion approved unanimously.

Seelhammer introduced a resolution directing the administration to make budget reduction recommendations. A motion for the adoption was duly seconded by Schmidt. Motion approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Tumberg, seconded by Schmidt, to approve the second reading of the following policy updates recommended by MSBA and reviewed and recommended by the WDC Policy Committee:

Series 100 School District: 102, 104 Series 200 School Board: 204, 207

Series 400 Personnel: 410, 413, 416, 418, 419, 425

Series 500 Students: 506, 507, 509, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 516.5, 519, 521, 532, 535 Series 600 Education Programs: 601, 603, 604, 606, 606.5, 608, 609, 616, 619, 620, 624

Series 700 Non-Instructional Operations: 701, 708, 709, 721

Series 800 District Operations: 802

Early Admission to Kindergarten, Assign Policy #536

Motion approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Bushinger, seconded by Seelhammer, to adjourn the meeting at 6:36 p.m. Motion approved unanimously.



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The next regular meeting of the WDC School Board is Monday, March 17, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. in the Robertson Theatre.

Respectfully submitted by:	
	Date:
Barb Tumberg, Board Clerk	
	Date:
Dan Lawson, Board Chair	