



**INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #2155
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

August 21, 2023
Robertson Theatre

The regular 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, Barb Tumberg, Brandon Kern, Julie Bushinger, Kent Schmidt and Supt. Lee Westrum.

Also present: Brian Jacobson, Katie Polman, Tyler Church, Louis Rutten, Norm Gallant, Nicole Endres, Audrey Brandt-Loer, Lisa Weniger, Monica Watson, Stephanie Nelson, Mike Ortmann, Kyle Gylsen, Caroline Venis, Judy Heltemes, Brenda Thelen, Laura Kiser, Kristi Ice, Heather Taylor, Jessica Brewer, Travis Hendrickson, Tanya Collins, Deb Nelson, Ivan Reinke, Dayle Reinke, Curt Folkestad, Deb Folkestad, Dan Goeden, Jonathan Geiger, Paula Geiger, Michelle Peterson, Aaron Spicer, Sara Spicer, Gail Kenney, Bill Hartmann, Dawn Carter, Amos Self, Natalie Danielson, Blair Steffens, Thomas Gasser, James Mathiowetz.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Supt. Westrum requested one change to the agenda: Remove Item #1 in Part B (this item is included as part of Item #2) and replace it with Meal Prices for 2023-2024, .

A motion was made by Bushinger, seconded by Schmidt, to approve the Agenda with the changes noted above. Motion approved unanimously.

The Board recognized Judy Heltemes, Greenhouse Volunteer and our New Teachers: Stephanie Nelson, Elementary Social Worker; Natalie Danielson, Elementary Music Teacher; Blair Steffens, PhyEd/Health/DAPE Teacher; Thomas Gasser, Business Ed Teacher and BPA advisor; James Mathiowetz, Agricultural Education Teacher and FFA advisor.

A motion was made by Bushinger, seconded by Seelhammer, to approve the July 10, 2023 Regular Board Meeting minutes. Motion approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Kern, seconded by Tumberg, to approve the July 31, 2023 Special Board Meeting minutes. Motion approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Seelhammer, seconded by Bushinger, to approve the hires of Elise Kallevig, Software Support Paraprofessional; Blair Steffens, PhyEd/Health/DAPE Teacher; Candi Costner-Jensen, Part Time Van Driver; Aaron Spicer, Substitute Bus Driver. Motion approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Kern, seconded by Schmidt to approve the retirements of Darla Hayes, MS/HS Head Cook and Jayne Johnson, MS/HS Paraprofessional; and the resignations of Kate Decker, ESL Teacher; DeAnn Evans, MS/HS Food Service, Laurie Damm, MS/HS Paraprofessional; and Julie Verdugt, Food Service. Motion approved unanimously.

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

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



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Vendor Check #'s 44009 - 44246	\$794,022.40
Credit Card (BMO Harris Bank):	\$5,772.69
Student Activity Check #'s 23109 - 23118	\$41,039.67

Motion approved unanimously.

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

Donor	Purpose	Amount
<i>North Risk Partners</i>	<i>Summer Rec Shirts</i>	<i>\$202.50</i>
<i>Wadena State Bank</i>	<i>Summer Rec Shirts</i>	<i>\$202.50</i>
<i>DC Lions Pull Tabs</i>	<i>Summer Rec Shirts</i>	<i>\$800.00</i>
<i>Minnesota Historical Society</i>	<i>Field Trip Transportation</i>	<i>\$348.00</i>
<i>Kern Electronics and Laser</i>	<i>Wadena Area Youth Baseball</i>	<i>\$485.00</i>
<i>Oakpoint Game Farm</i>	<i>Wadena Area Youth Baseball</i>	<i>\$690.00</i>
<i>RJG Services</i>	<i>Wadena Area Youth Baseball</i>	<i>\$230.00</i>
<i>Terry Tumberg Tax & Accounting</i>	<i>Wadena Area Youth Baseball</i>	<i>\$475.00</i>
<i>Ross Seelhammer Plumbing</i>	<i>Wadena Area Youth Baseball</i>	<i>\$400.00</i>
<i>Pizza Ranch</i>	<i>Wadena Area Youth Baseball</i>	<i>\$520.00</i>
<i>Larry's Pizza</i>	<i>Wadena Area Youth Baseball</i>	<i>\$370.00</i>
<i>Ryan's Taxidermy</i>	<i>Wadena Area Youth Baseball</i>	<i>\$550.00</i>
<i>Leaf River Ag</i>	<i>Wadena Area Youth Baseball</i>	<i>\$460.00</i>
<i>Minnesota Valley Irrigation</i>	<i>Wadena Area Youth Baseball</i>	<i>\$590.00</i>
<i>Polman Transfer</i>	<i>Wadena Area Youth Baseball</i>	<i>\$345.00</i>
<i>H&R Block</i>	<i>Wadena Area Youth Baseball</i>	<i>\$405.00</i>
<i>Bluffton Hardware</i>	<i>Wadena Area Youth Baseball</i>	<i>\$285.00</i>
<i>Ameriprise Financial</i>	<i>Wadena Area Youth Baseball</i>	<i>\$230.00</i>



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<i>Top Gun Construction</i>	<i>Wadena Area Youth Baseball</i>	<i>\$170.00</i>
<i>Magnifi Financial</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$200.00</i>
<i>West Central Telephone</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$200.00</i>
<i>Wadena Lions</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$100.00</i>
<i>Hinkle Realty</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$500.00</i>
<i>Northwest AqwaTek Solutions</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$100.00</i>
<i>Chris O'Kane DDS, Inc</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$500.00</i>
<i>The Meadows of Wadena</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$1,000.00</i>
<i>Astera Health</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$1,000.00</i>
<i>Wadena State Bank</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$1,220.00</i>
<i>Pro Skinz Design/Detailing</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$100.00</i>
<i>Karvonen Funeral & Cremation</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$100.00</i>
<i>H&R Block</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$200.00</i>
<i>Lefty's Repair</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$100.00</i>
<i>Polman Transfer</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$500.00</i>
<i>Dave & Diane Peters</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$200.00</i>
<i>Mid Central National Savings</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$100.00</i>
<i>Arvig</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$100.00</i>
<i>Wadena Family Dental</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$500.00</i>
<i>Sacred Health Family Chiropractic</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$200.00</i>
<i>Wadena VFW</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$50.00</i>
<i>Mason Brothers</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$500.00</i>
<i>218 Insurance Partners LLC</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$200.00</i>
<i>Terry Tumberg Tax & Accounting</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$500.00</i>
<i>Pizza Ranch</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$1,000.00</i>



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<i>Owly Coffee</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$1,000.00</i>
<i>RJ Hunt Seed</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$1,000.00</i>
<i>Kern Laser</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$500.00</i>
<i>Owly Bean Roasters</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$1,000.00</i>
<i>Wadena Elks Lodge</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$1,250.00</i>
<i>Heinzen Construction</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$100.00</i>
<i>Ross Seelhammer Plumbing</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$500.00</i>
<i>Woodland Dental</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$200.00</i>
<i>North Risk Partners</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$200.00</i>
<i>HBI Radio</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$400.00</i>
<i>Merickel Lumber & Ace Hardware</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$200.00</i>
<i>Pemberton Law</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$100.00</i>
<i>McDonald's Wadena</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$200.00</i>
<i>Todd-Wadena Electric Coop</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$100.00</i>
<i>Kern Homes, LLC</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$200.00</i>
<i>Canoe Paddle Kettle Corn</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$200.00</i>
<i>Jolene Johannes State Farm</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$100.00</i>
<i>Kern & Tabery</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$500.00</i>
<i>Wadena-Deer Creek Education MN</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$100.00</i>
<i>Lowell & Cathay Roisum</i>	<i>WDC Golf Scramble</i>	<i>\$200.00</i>

Motion approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Seelhammer, seconded by Tubmerg, to approve adult meal, student second meal and a la cart item prices for the 2023-2024 school year. Motion approved unanimously.



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A motion was made by Seelhammer, seconded by Bushinger, to adopt a resolution relating to determining the necessity of issuing general obligation bonds and approving a new referendum revenue authorization and calling a special election. Motion approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Schmidt, seconded by Kern, to approve the eLearning plan for school year 2023-2024. Motion approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Bushinger, seconded by Tumberg, to approve the handbooks as presented, and to include updated policy language as it becomes available. Motion approved unanimously.

The Board reviewed a first reading of district policies. No action needed at this time.

A motion was made by Tumberg, seconded by Schmidt, to adjourn the meeting at 6:17 p.m. Motion approved unanimously.

The next regular meeting of the WDC School Board is Monday, September 18, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. in the Robertson Theatre.

Respectfully submitted by:

_____ Date: _____
Barb Tumberg, Board Clerk

_____ Date: _____
Dan Lawson, Board Chair