



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

May 19, 2025

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, Julie Bushinger, Brandon Kern, Amanda Schmidt, Barb Tumberg and Supt. Lee Westrum.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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

The Board recognized Robby and Lori Grendahl, NHS Advisors for Day of Caring, as well as Leah Osberg and Tayton Lehmann, Student Leaders for Day of Caring.

The Board recognized Jeff Browne and Wadena State Bank for the donation of the video board in the MS/HS gymnasium.

A motion was made by Tumberg, seconded by Bushinger, to approve the April 22, 2025 Regular Board Meeting minutes. Motion approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Seelhammer, seconded by Kern, to approve the May 1, 2025 School Board Work Session minutes. Motion approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Bushinger, seconded by Kern, to approve the May 15, 2025 School Board Work Session minutes. Motion approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Seelhammer seconded by Schmidt, to approve the hires of Tabitha Petrowski and Lecia Parker, Special Olympics; Kristyn Rude, Fall Cheer Coach; Dominique Browne, Winter Cheer Coach; Kayla Boen, Food Service. Motion approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Kern, seconded by Tumberg, to approve the retirement of Gina Stave, Elementary Food Service. Motion approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Seelhammer, seconded by Schmidt, to approve the proposed placement of Sue Volkmann, substitute teacher, on unrequested leave of absence due to financial constraints. Motion approved 6-0 by roll call.

A motion was made by Tumberg, seconded by Kern, to approve the non-renewal of probationary teacher John Solien, Elementary Special Education Teacher. Motion approved 6-0 by roll call.

A motion was made by Schmidt, seconded by Bushinger, to approve the termination of non-certified employee Kyle Gylsen, Communications/Community Education Coordinator, due to financial constraints. Motion approved 6-0 by roll call.

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



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

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

Vendor Check #'s	47798 - 47989	\$290,320.68
Credit Card (BMO Harris Bank):		\$11,508.68
Student Activity Check #'s	23417 - 23430	\$23,593.92

Motion approved unanimously.

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

Donor	Purpose	Amount
American Legion Post 171 Wadena	American Legion Baseball Program, Community Ed	\$150.00
American Legion Post 171 Wadena	American Legion Softball Program, Community Ed	\$150.00
First Congregational United Church of Christ/Lamson Family Trust	Books for Mrs. Goeden's class	\$550.00
Don & Irene Dykhoff	Wadena Area Youth Baseball	\$830.00
Aaron & Sarah Spicer	Cross Country	\$350.00
Wadena Hockey Club	Boys Hockey	\$1,945.00
Various	Prom	\$100.00
Tim & Rita Nolte	FFA	\$900.00

Motion approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Schmidt, seconded by Bushinger, to approve the dissolution of the current Boys' Hockey Cooperative. Motion approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Seelhammer, seconded by Kern, to approve the new Boys' Hockey Cooperative which adds Henning to the cooperative. Motion approved unanimously.

The Board discussed the Proposed Budget Reductions for 2025-2026.



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A motion was made by Seelhammer, seconded by Kern, to approve the milk bid submitted by Ten Finns, with conditions that they address prior issues within the first two months of the year. Motion approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Bushinger, seconded by Tumberg, to approve the bread bid submitted by Pan-O-Gold. Motion approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Schmidt, seconded by Bushinger, to approve the MSHSL renewal for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion approved unanimously.

A motion was made by Bushinger, seconded by Seelhammer, to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 p.m. Motion approved unanimously.

The next regular meeting of the WDC School Board is June 9, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. in the Deer Creek Community Center.

Respectfully submitted by:

Barb Tumberg, Board Clerk

Date: _____

Dan Lawson, Board Chair

Date: _____