



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

October 20, 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 Bushinger, seconded by Seelhammer to approve the agenda with the addition of personnel: Hire - Danica Pederson, Head Dance Coach; Resignation - Dominique Browne, Winter Cheer Advisor. Motion approved unanimously.*

Supt. Westrum gave a presentation on the 2025 Referendum.

The following individuals addressed the Board:

Fran Houston

Del Moen

Addison Sharpe

*A motion was made by Schmidt, seconded by Kern, to approve the September 15, 2025 Regular Board Meeting minutes. Motion approved unanimously.*

*A motion was made by Kern seconded by Seelhammer, to approve the hires of Jared Reinitz, JH Boys Basketball; Danica Pederson, Head Dance Coach. Motion approved unanimously.*

*A motion was made by Bushinger, seconded by Tumberg, to approve the resignations of Danielle Betterman, MS/HS Para; Madison Horn, Head Dance Coach; Randy Jahnke, JH Boys Basketball; Dominique Browne, Winter Cheer Advisor. Motion approved unanimously.*

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

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

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

Vendor Check #'s	48574 - 48722	\$250,811.08
Credit Card (BMO Harris Bank):		\$10,566.80
Student Activity Check #'s	23469 - 23480	\$13,591.62

*Motion approved unanimously.*

*A motion was made by Kern, seconded by Schmidt, to approve the following Donations to the district:*



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<i>Donor</i>	<i>Purpose</i>	<i>Amount</i>
<i>Diane Giambruno &amp; Family</i>	<i>Mary Phillips Memorial - Memorial Auditorium Spotlight</i>	<i>\$20.00</i>
<i>Janet Tickel &amp; Family</i>		<i>\$20.00</i>
<i>Marry Ellen Reimers &amp; Family</i>		<i>\$20.00</i>
<i>Michael &amp; Molly Peterson</i>		<i>\$1,770.00</i>
<i>Christopher &amp; Sarah O'Kane</i>		<i>\$200.00</i>
<i>Randall &amp; Melissa Graham</i>		<i>\$50.00</i>
<i>Thomas Paper</i>		<i>\$100.00</i>
<i>David &amp; Diane Peters</i>		<i>\$250.00</i>
<i>Sam Phillips</i>		<i>\$70.00</i>
<i>Marian Esteb</i>	<i>Donation to Art Department</i>	<i>\$100.00</i>
<i>Deer Creek Lions</i>	<i>WEDC Aviation Club - equip</i>	<i>\$500.00</i>
<i>Deer Creek Lions</i>	<i>GF - Ditch Cleanup - NASA Hunch</i>	<i>\$500.00</i>
<i>Walmart</i>	<i>Food Service - noncompensation support</i>	<i>\$1,000.00</i>
<i>Wadena Dairy Queen</i>	<i>Golf Scramble Sponsorship</i>	<i>\$500.00</i>
<i>Woodland Dental</i>		<i>\$100.00</i>
<i>MCNB</i>		<i>\$300.00</i>
<i>218 Insurance</i>		<i>\$300.00</i>
<i>The Meadows</i>		<i>\$300.00</i>
<i>North Risk Partners</i>		<i>\$500.00</i>
<i>Hinkle Realty</i>		<i>\$500.00</i>
<i>Todd-Wadena</i>		<i>\$100.00</i>
<i>Pemberton Law</i>		<i>\$300.00</i>
<i>Precision Excavation &amp; Splicing</i>		<i>\$500.00</i>



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<i>Wadena Elks Lodge</i>		<i>\$1,000.00</i>
<i>Sacred Health Family Chiropractic</i>		<i>\$100.00</i>
<i>Legacy Power</i>		<i>\$500.00</i>
<i>Ross Seelhammer Plumbing</i>		<i>\$500.00</i>
<i>Kyle Dykhoff/H&amp;R Block</i>		<i>\$100.00</i>
<i>Dave &amp; Diane Peters</i>		<i>\$300.00</i>
<i>Lake Country Insurance</i>		<i>\$500.00</i>
<i>Chris O'Kane DDS</i>		<i>\$300.00</i>
<i>West Central</i>		<i>\$200.00</i>
<i>Arvig</i>		<i>\$100.00</i>
<i>Reuter Family Dentistry</i>		<i>\$1,000.00</i>
<i>Heltemes Electric</i>		<i>\$500.00</i>
<i>Terry Tumberg</i>		<i>\$1,000.00</i>
<i>Mid MN FCU</i>		<i>\$100.00</i>
<i>Ameriprise Financial</i>		<i>\$50.00</i>
<i>Russ Davis Wholesale</i>		<i>\$500.00</i>
<i>Deer Creek Lions</i>	<i>Football</i>	<i>\$1,000.00</i>
<i>Wadena Rotary</i>	<i>Softball</i>	<i>\$300.00</i>
<i>Woodland Dental</i>	<i>Softball</i>	<i>\$100.00</i>

*Motion approved unanimously.*

*A motion was made by Seelhammer, seconded by Kern, to approve the Health Insurance Renewal with the Better Health Collective through Sourcewell. Motion approved unanimously.*  
12% increase (due to second year cap)

A motion was made by Tumberg, seconded by Bushinger, to approve the Paid Family Leave Insurance plan. Motion approved unanimously.



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*A motion was made by Bushinger, seconded by Tumberg, to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement: Administrative Assistants/Bookkeepers/Custodians (AFSCME) as amended with the correct amount of the 403(b) contribution. Motion approved unanimously.*

*A motion was made by Seelhammer, seconded by Bushinger, to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement: Educational Assistants (AFSCME). Motion approved unanimously.*

*A motion was made by Bushinger, seconded by Seelhammer, to approve Superintendent Goals for 2025-2026. Motion approved unanimously.*

*A motion was made by Bushinger, seconded by Seelhammer, to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 p.m. Motion approved unanimously.*

The next regular meeting of the WDC School Board is Monday, November 24, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. in the Robertson Theatre.

Respectfully submitted by:

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Barb Tumberg, Board Clerk

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Dan Lawson, Board Chair

Date: \_\_\_\_\_