

**IND. SCHOOL DISTRICT #36
KELLIHER PUBLIC SCHOOL
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
MAY 19, 2025**

The School Board of ISD #36, Kelliher, MN met May 19, 2025 in the School Media Center. The meeting was called to order by Chair Mary Thayer at 7:00 p.m. Members present: Mary Thayer, Rachel Jorgensen, Dawn Jensen, Kevin Waldo, Tessa Koisti, Jake Neft, and Paul Grams, Superintendent, Ex-Officio. Members absent: None.

Visitors: Sherri Dahl and Aliza Lundin

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Motion by Rachel Jorgensen, second by Tessa Koisti to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Kevin Waldo, second by Tessa Koisti to approve the April 21, 2025 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Rachel Jorgensen, second by Kevin Waldo to approve the April Treasurer's Report, payroll, and District bills in the amount of \$285,941.78. Motion passed unanimously.

Comments from Visitors:

1. None.

Directors' Forum:

1. Tessa Koisti commented how great it was for the 3rd Grade class to visit the bank this past week. She also commented on a great Athletic Banquet this year.
2. Kevin Waldo thanked the students who participated in the highway ditch cleanup this year. Students were treated to a meal at West Wind afterwards. He also noted as he's been officiating junior high games he's seen great examples of sportsmanship our team has shows towards opponents and wanted to commend the students, school, and staff.
3. Rachel Jorgensen agreed on the great sportsmanship our teams have displayed and helping other teams and also thanked all those who are involved in planning the events these last couple months of school and all the hard work to put on great events and trips for our students.

4. Dawn Jensen commented on the great music program, Mayfest, and that the new band shells and risers looked very nice. S
5. Mary Thayer commented on the great awards banquets, Mayfest music program, and gave a thank you to Superintendent Paul Grams on behalf of the school board for his years at Kelliher School as he enters the last week of school and last months of leadership.

Committee Reports:

1. None.

Principal's Report:

1. Principal Sherri Dahl relayed Kindergarten Graduation will be May 22, 2025 at 10:45 a.m.
2. Senior Class of 2025 and Kindergarten hallway walkthrough will be May 22, 2025 at 10:15 a.m.
3. Graduation will be May 24, 2025 at 2:00 p.m.
4. Grade 6 will be going to the Big Bog State Park on May 20, 2025.
5. Grades 2 & 3 will be going to the Lost 40 on May 21, 2025.
6. There will be early-release at 12:30 p.m. on the last day of school, May 23, 2025.

Business Manager's Report:

1. Business Manager Aliza Lundin relayed investment opportunities with both our local First State Bank of Bigfork and our MN School District Liquid Asset Fund+ account.
2. An update was given on timeline of revised 2024-25 and proposed 2025-26 budgets, long-term facility planning, and the 2024-25 financial audit.

Superintendent's Report:

1. Superintendent Paul Grams discussed Early Childhood Special Education position and Language Arts position.
2. A discussion was held for the Old School bathroom renovation project to possibly revisit bidding in the Fall 2025, as well as working on Strategic Planning and District goals for including other renovation areas to the bid at the same time.
3. The senior class gifts were discussed and contributed towards by the board.

Consent Agenda:

1. Approve Resolution accepting donations.
2. Approve resignations from Pennie Rude as Knowledge Bowl, Senior Class Advisor, and PLC/AIW Coach.
3. Approve resignation of Paraprofessional Beth Skoe effective May 2nd as attached.

4. Accept Early Retirement Agreement with Colleen Hillman, Health Officer (40 Years).
5. Approve leave of absence for Alyssa Duresky, Secretary, for August 18, 2025 - December 19, 2025.
6. Approve leave of absence for Deb Horton, Toddler Childcare Teacher, for June 1st through late August as requested.
7. Approve National Honor Society Advisor resignation from Alisa Skaar.
8. Approve resignation of English Teacher - accepted another position.
9. Accept food service bid from Performance Foodservice as primary vendor and US Foods as secondary vendor for the 2025-26 school year.

Motion made by Rachel Jorgensen, seconded by Kevin Waldo to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

Action Items:

1. Motion by Rachel Jorgensen, second by Tessa Koisti to close the meeting at 8:08 p.m. as permitted under MN Statute 13D.03 in order to discussion negotiations strategies for Kelliher Education Minnesota (KEA). Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Kevin Waldo, seconded by Tessa Koisti to open and adjourn the meeting at 8:34 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

The next Regular School Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 16, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. in the Kelliher School Media Center.