

**IND. SCHOOL DISTRICT #36  
KELLIHER PUBLIC SCHOOL  
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
AUGUST 18, 2025**

The School Board of ISD #36, Kelliher, MN met August 18, 2025 in the School Media Center. The meeting was called to order by Chair Mary Thayer at 7:31 p.m. Members present: Mary Thayer, Rachel Jorgensen, Dawn Jensen, Kevin Waldo, Jake Neft, Tessa Koisti, and Jeff Nelson, Superintendent, Ex-Officio. Members absent: None.

Visitors: Sherri Dahl, Terese Elhard, Hannah McCurdy, and Aliza Lundin.

The Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Motion by Tessa Koisti second by Kevin Waldo to approve the agenda with the addition of Action Item 4.1 to hire 12-month custodians and removal of Action Item 1 as included in the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

**Directors' Forum:**

1. Rachel Jorgensen wished everyone a happy start to the school year.
2. Kevin Waldo commented on the school building and grounds looking great and ready for the start of school.
3. Dawn Jensen expressed excitement to start the school year with Superintendent Jeff Nelson and to begin the MSBA Strategic Planning.
4. Mary Thayer inquired about the process to eliminate weeds in sidewalks and parking lot edges.

**Regular Business:**

Motion by Dawn Jensen, second by Kevin Waldo to approve the July 21, 2025 Working Session and Regular Board Meeting Minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Rachel Jorgensen, second by Dawn Jensen to approve the July Treasurer's Report, payroll, and District bills in the amount of \$323,462.90. The motion passed unanimously.

**Consent Agenda:**

1. Approve Resolution accepting donations.
2. Set 2024-2025 meal prices.

Adult Lunch \$5.25

Adult Breakfast \$2.75

Extra Milk \$.50

Seconds \$2.75

3. Set 2025-2025 Athletic Gate Prices.

<u>Volleyball, Football, Girls &amp; Boys Basketball</u>	<u>2024-2025</u>	<u>2025-2026</u>
Adult	\$7.00	\$7.00
Student	\$4.00	\$4.00
Seniors 62 years of age	Free	Free
 <u>Season Pass Prices (Fall and Winter)</u>	 <u>2024-2025</u>	 <u>2025-2026</u>
Family	\$60.00	\$60.00
Adult	\$30.00	\$30.00
Student	\$10.00	\$10.00
 <u>Special Option - Family Only</u>	 <u>2024-2025</u>	 <u>2025-2026</u>
Fall	\$40.00	\$40.00
Winter	\$40.00	\$40.00

4. Set substitute rates for 2025-2026 at the current rates.

Current Rates

Sub. teacher: \$175.00/day

Sub. para/cook/custodian: \$19.50/hr.

Sub. bus driver: \$32.34/hr.

Sub. childcare aide: \$15.00/hr.

Sub. childcare teacher: \$18.00/hr.

5. Approve hire of Elizabeth Adegun as Kelliher Kids Childcare Center Teacher for the 2025-2026 school year. She has prior experience working within the Kelliher School system. She has her AA degree in Early Childhood Education and is working towards a BA in Special education. Starting salary is \$20.00/hour.
6. Set Kelliher Childcare Center daily rates at \$65.00 for infants, \$60.00 for toddlers, \$57.00 for preschool, and \$48.00 for school-aged children.
7. Set meal per diem rates for staff travel: \$15.00 for breakfast and lunch, \$20.00 for dinner. Registration and lodging expenses will be paid directly via school credit card. Meal per diem will be processed through employee payroll upon request.

8. Approve the 2025-2026 Student Handbook.
9. Approve the 2025-2026 Staff Handbook.
10. Approve revised 2025-2026 School Calendar
11. Approve board to board open enrollments in the following grades: 2nd, 3rd, and 5th.

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

**Action Items:**

2. Motion by Jake Neft, second by Tessa Koisti to approve security camera installation project with an estimated cost of \$22,914.35. The motion passed unanimously.
3. Motion by Kevin Waldo, second by Dawn Jensen to approve Season Passes for staff for the 2025-26 School Year. The motion passed unanimously.
4. Set date and time for the Old School Committee Meeting for August 25, 2025 at 4:30 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.
- 4.1. Motion by Rachel Jorgensen, second by Tessa Koisti to approve hiring Mark Lundin and Ray Frenzel as 12-month employees effective 9/1/2025. Motion passed unanimously
5. Motion by Kevin Waldo, second by Dawn Jensen to close the meeting at 7:56 p.m. as permitted under MN Statute 13D.03 in order to discuss negotiations strategies for Kelliher Education Minnesota (KEA). The motion passed unanimously.
6. Motion Kevin Waldo, seconded Rachel Jorgensen to re-open and adjourn the meeting at 8:01 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

The next Regular School Board Working Session and Business Meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 15, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the Kelliher School Media Center.