

**BOARD BRIEFS  
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 553  
REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER BY THE PRESIDENT-** at 5:30 pm.  
Pledge of Allegiance

**ATTENDANCE & DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM-** All School Board Members except Pederson, Ehnert arrived at 5:36  
Superintendent B. Novak, M. Maki. Visitors A. Sobieski, D. Grieger, A. Paavola, B. Weller, J. Kuppich of Eide Bailly and C. Koenen of  
the press.

**SETTING THE AGENDA TO DETERMINE THE ORDERS OF THE DAY-** Approved.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES-** Approved.

**BUSINESS AFFAIRS AND APPROVAL OF BILLS-** Approved.

**PRESENTATIONS-** Eide Bailly- 2023 Audit.

**REPORTS-** Business Office Report- October 1 Enrollments; Administrative Report- High School- Homecoming wrap-up,  
Conferences 11/9/23, Superintendent- MASA Conference, OT Collaborative; School Board- Personnel and Negotiations- 9/28/23.

**OLD BUSINESS-** None.

**CONSENT ITEMS-** CONTRACTS- MN State Colleges and Universities Ecampus in the High School, DONATIONS- East Otter  
Tail County Ag Society to FFA \$250, NYM Lions to Close Up \$600; GRANTS- First Congregational United Church of Christ,  
Lamson Family Trust \$4,000 to Kindergarten and First Grades. Approved.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**OUT OF DISTRICT BUS REQUESTS-** Plentywood Rd, Perham, County Hwy 75, Wadena, 7th St. NE Apt 4, Perham, Approved.

**ASSURANCE OF COMPLIANCE-** Approved.

**ESTABLISHING COMBINED POLLING PLACES-** COMBINED POLLING PLACE: NYM City Hall 28 Centennial 84 Drive W. New  
York Mills, MN 56567 and COMBINED POLLING PLACE: Spruce Grove Township, Wolf Lake Lions Community Hall, 103 North  
Manninen Avenue, Wolf Lake, MN. Approved.

**ACTION TO ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT AND REVIEW OF THE 2022-2023 AUDIT-** Approved.

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORTS-** High School BET 10/5/2023

**PERSONNEL CONSENT ITEMS- APPOINTMENTS-** M. Bauck- Asst Girls Basketball, J. Hotakainen-Assistant Wrestling, J. Nelson-  
Paraprofessional (2 days/week), R. Motzko, Paraprofessional, L. Roberts-Veazie-Speech Coach, M. Thomas-Cleaner;  
**RESIGNATIONS-** C. Dunrud-Girls Basketball C-Team, M. Maki- Business Manager, T Erickson-Kitchen Staff, **REQUEST FOR TIME  
OFF W/O PAY-** N. Davis, Cleaner. Approved.

**ADJOURNMENT-** 6:11 pm.

**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

**Regular Meeting – November 27, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.  
with the Truth In Taxation Presentation at 6:00 p.m.**

