

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD
Independent School District No. 750
Cold Spring, Minnesota
July 13, 2026

The regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. 750 was called to order by Chair Vettleson at the ROCORI District Office Boardroom at 5:30 pm.

Board Members present: Jenna Kollar, Kayla Nierenhausen, Lynn Schurman, Robin Vettleson, Matt Thompson

Board Members absent: Jennifer Bohnsack

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A motion was made by Lynn Schurman to approve the agenda. Seconded by Matt Thompson. The motion carries unanimously.

A motion was made by Kayla Nierenhausen to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Lynn Schurman. The motion carries unanimously.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the Regular Board Meeting and the Work Session on June 22, 2026. Recommend approval of the minutes from the meetings.

B. APPROVAL OF BILLS

Treasurer Thompson will have been at the school site to review bills, ask questions, and confirm information prior to the meeting. Recommendation is to approve the bill payment of \$2,157,447.87 subject to any adjustments or direction offered by the Treasurer.

C. TREASURER REPORT

Treasurer Thompson will have reviewed financial information for the board. This information is included in the Treasurer's Report.

D. EMPLOYMENT

Recommend approval of the assignment as outlined.

- a. ROCORI High School Special Education Teacher - Michael Gross
- b. District Education Facility Community Education Program Coordinator - Elizabeth Bell
- c. Cold Spring Elementary First Grade Teacher - Emily Rustad
- d. ROCORI Middle School Long Term Math Substitute Teacher - Grace Acheson

E. RETIREMENTS-RESIGNATIONS

Recommend approval of the following resignations and/or retirements.

- a. Cold Spring Elementary Kindergarten Teacher, Val Fraley, is resigning effective June 30, 2026.

The following resolution was moved by Lynn Schurman and seconded by Matt Thompson:

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING DONATIONS

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes 123B.02, Subd. 6 provides: "The board may receive, for the benefit of the district, bequests, donations, or gifts for any proper purpose and apply the same to the purpose designated. In that behalf, the

board may act as trustee of any trust created for the benefit of the district, or for the benefit of pupils thereof, including trusts created to provide pupils of the district with advanced education after completion of high school, in the advancement of education.”; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes 465.03 provides: “Any city, county, school district or town may accept a grant or devise of real or personal property and maintain such property for the benefit of its citizens in accordance with the terms prescribed by the donor. Nothing herein shall authorize such acceptance or use for religious or sectarian purposes. Every such acceptance shall be by resolution of the governing body adopted by a two-thirds majority of its members, expressing such terms in full.” and

WHEREAS, every such acceptance shall be by resolution of the governing body adopted by a two-thirds majority of its members, expressing such terms in full;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the School Board of Rocori Public Schools, ISD 750, gratefully accepts the following donations as identified below:

Donor	Item	Designated Purpose(if any)
Farming Lions Club	\$900.00	New Tennis Nets

The vote on adoption of the Resolution was as follows:
Aye: Thompson, Vettleson, Schurman, Nierenhausen, Kollar
Nay: None
Absent: Bohnsack
Whereupon, said Resolution was declared duly adopted.

A motion was made by Kayla Nierenhausen to approve the 10 year long term facility maintenance plan, seconded by Matt Thompson. Motion carries unanimously.

Member Matt Thompson moved the adoption of the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION RELATING TO RENEWING THE EXPIRING CAPITAL PROJECT LEVY AUTHORIZATION TO FUND TECHNOLOGY OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION

THEREON BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 750, State of Minnesota, as follows:

1. The School Board hereby determines and declares that it is necessary and expedient for the School District to renew its existing capital project levy authorization which is scheduled to expire after taxes payable in 2027. The proposed capital project levy authorization will be in the amount of 1.836% times the net tax capacity of the School District. The proposed capital project levy will raise approximately \$497,414 for taxes payable in 2028, the first year it is to be levied, and would be authorized for ten (10) years. The estimated total cost of the projects to be funded by the approved capital project levy authorization during that time period is approximately \$4,974,140. The money raised by the capital project levy authorization will provide funds for the acquisition, installation, replacement, support and maintenance of software, software licenses, computers, improved technology equipment, networks, infrastructure, and the costs of technology related personnel and training. The program will be commenced prior to November 1, 2031 which date is not more than five (5) years from the date of the special election authorizing the approval of the capital project levy authorization. The question on the renewal of the capital project levy authorization shall be School District Question 1 on the School District ballot at the special election held to approve said

authorization.

2. The ballot question specified above shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the School District at a special election, which is hereby called and directed to be held in conjunction with the State General Election on Tuesday, November 3, 2026. This date is a uniform election date specified in Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.05.

3. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.11, the precincts and polling places for this special election are those polling places and precincts or parts of precincts located within the boundaries of the School District and which have been established by the cities or towns located in whole or in part within the School District. The voting hours at those polling places shall be the same as those for the State General Election.

4. The Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause written notice of said special election to be given to the county auditor of each county in which the School District is located, in whole or in part, and to the Commissioner of Education, as specified by law prior to the date of said election. The notice shall specify the date of said special election and the title and language for the ballot question to be voted on at said special election. Any notice given prior to the date of the adoption of this resolution is ratified and confirmed in all respects.

5. The Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice of said special election to be posted for public inspection at the administrative offices of the School District at least ten (10) days before the date of said special election.

6. The Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause a sample ballot to be posted at the administrative offices of the School District at least four (4) days before the date of said special election and to cause two sample ballots to be posted in each polling place and combined polling place on election day. The sample ballots shall not be printed on the same color paper as the official ballot.

7. The Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice of said special election to be published in the official newspaper of the School District, for two (2) consecutive weeks with the last publication being at least one (1) week before the date of said election. The notice of election so posted and published shall state each question to be submitted to the voters as set forth in the form of ballot below, and shall include information concerning each established precinct and polling place.

8. The Clerk is authorized and directed to acquire and distribute such election materials as may be necessary for the proper conduct of this special election and generally to cooperate with election authorities conducting other elections on that date. The Clerk and members of the administration are authorized and directed to take such actions as may be necessary to coordinate this election with those other elections or to obtain assistance from the county auditor with respect to the administration of the School District's election, including entering into agreements or understandings with appropriate officials regarding preparation and distribution of ballots, the processing of absentee ballots, election administration and cost sharing.

9. The Clerk and members of the administration are further authorized and directed to cause a ballot to be prepared for use at said election in substantially the following form, with such changes in form, color, instructions, and content as may be necessary to accommodate an optical scan voting system, to correct typographical errors, or to comply with the form and content requirements of applicable state election laws: [Form of Ballot on the Following Page] Special Election Ballot Independent School District No. 750 (Rocori School District) November 3, 2026 Instructions to Voters: To vote, completely fill in the oval(s) next to your choice(s) like this: To vote for a question, fill in the oval next to the word "Yes" on that question. To vote

against a question, fill in the oval next to the word "No" on that question. School District Question 1 Renewal of Expiring Capital Project Levy To Fund Technology The school board of Independent School District No. 750 (Rocori School District) has proposed a capital project levy authorization of 1.836% times the net tax capacity of the school district. This authorization would renew the school district's existing authorization which is scheduled to expire after taxes payable in 2027. The proposed capital project levy authorization will raise approximately \$497,414 for taxes payable in 2028, the first year it is to be levied, and would be authorized for ten years. The estimated total cost of the projects to be funded over that time period is approximately \$4,974,140. The additional revenue from the proposed capital project levy authorization will provide funds for the acquisition, installation, replacement, support and maintenance of software, software licenses, computers, improved technology equipment, networks, infrastructure, and the costs of technology related personnel and training. Yes No Shall the capital project levy authorization proposed by the school board by Independent School District No. 750 be approved? BY VOTING "YES" ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING TO RENEW AN EXISTING CAPITAL PROJECTS REFERENDUM THAT IS SCHEDULED TO EXPIRE.

10. Optical scan ballots must be printed in black ink on white material, except that marks to be read by the automatic tabulating equipment may be printed in another color ink. The name of the precinct and machine-readable identification must be printed on each ballot. Voting instructions must be printed at the top of the ballot on each side that includes ballot information. The instructions must include an illustration of the proper mark to be used to indicate a vote. Lines for initials of at least two election judges must be printed on one side of the ballot so that the judges' initials are visible when the ballots are enclosed in a secrecy sleeve.

11. If the School District will be contracting to print the ballots for this special election, the Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to prepare instructions to the printer for layout of the ballot. Before a contract in excess of \$1,000 is awarded for printing ballots, the printer, at the request of the election official, shall furnish, in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 204D.04, a sufficient bond, letter of credit or certified check acceptable to the Clerk in an amount not less than \$1,000 conditioned on printing the ballots in conformity with the Minnesota election law and the instructions delivered. The Clerk shall set the amount of the bond, letter of credit, or certified check in an amount equal to the value of the purchase.

12. The individuals designated as judges for the State General Election shall act as election judges for this special election at the various polling places and shall conduct said election in the manner described by law. The election judges shall act as clerks of election, count the ballots cast and submit them to the School Board for canvass in the manner provided for other school district elections. The special election must be canvassed between the third and the tenth day following the special election. is

13. If the capital project levy authorization proposed in School District Question approved, a capital project referendum account shall be created as a separate account in the general fund of the School District. All proceeds from the capital project levy must be deposited in the capital project referendum account. Interest income attributable to the capital project referendum account must be credited to the capital project referendum account. Money in the capital project referendum account may be used only for the costs of acquisition and betterment of the approved projects. As required by Minnesota Statutes, Section 123B.71, subdivision 8, the School Board hereby determines and states that the funds approved by the voters for said authorization will only be used as authorized in Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.10, subdivision 14. The funds in the capital project referendum account may be accumulated and not be expended until sufficient funds are available, may be accumulated and not be expended until additional funds from a bond issue are available, or may be expended on an ongoing basis for approved project costs. Any funds remaining in the capital project referendum account that are not applied to the payment of the costs of the approved projects before their final completion shall be transferred to the School District's debt redemption funds.

14. The Clerk shall make all Campaign Financial Reports required to be filed with the School District under Minnesota Statutes, Section 211A.02 available on the School District's website. The Clerk must post the report on the School District's website as soon as possible, but no later than thirty (30) days after the date of the receipt of the report. The School District must make a report available on the School District's website for four years from the date the report was posted to the website. The Clerk must also provide the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board with a link to the section of the website where reports are made available.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Robin Vettleson

On a roll call vote, the following voted in favor: Thompson, Vettleson, Schurman, Nierenhausen, Kollar

and the following voted against: None

absent: Bohnsack

whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

The school board discussed the long-term facility maintenance plan assessment contractor selection and decided to table the decision until the next meeting. No formal action was taken.

A motion was made by Lynn Schurman to renew the membership for Resource Training and Solutions for the 2026-2027 school year. Seconded by Jenna Kollar. Motion carries unanimously.

The following policies have been discussed in the policy committee. They were presented for a first reading. No formal action was taken.

- a. Policy 625 - Responsible Use of Artificial Intelligence
- b. Policy 203.2 - Order of Regular Meetings
- c. Policy 203.6 - Consent Agendas
This policy was discussed by the policy committee. No recommended changes at this time.
- d. Policy 206 - Public Participation in School Board Meeting/Complaints about Persons at School Board Meetings and Data Privacy Considerations.
This policy was discussed by the policy committee. No recommended changes at this time.

The 2026-2027 ROCORI Child Care handbook was presented for first reading. No formal action was taken.

The 2026-2027 ROCORI K-12 Student handbook was presented for first reading. No formal action was taken.

The 2026-2027 ROCORI Employee handbook was presented for first reading. No formal action was taken.

The 2026-2027 ROCORI Activities handbook was presented for first reading. No formal action was taken.

The 2026-2027 ROCORI Preschool handbook was presented for first reading. No formal action was taken.

Superintendent Kevin Enerson provided an update on the district.

The Budget Comparison Report for June 2026 was reviewed.

Board members made updates on their respective committees.

Chair Vettleson called for comments and requests from visitors.

Upcoming events and activities on the school calendar were reviewed.

A motion was made by Lynn Schurman to enter a closed session pursuant to M.S 13D.05 to evaluate the performance of Superintendent Enerson, seconded by Robin Vettleson. Motion carries unanimously.

The school board reviewed the evaluation of superintendent Enerson. The school board will summarize its conclusions regarding the evaluation at the next meeting.

A motion was made by Robin Vettleson to re-open the meeting at 6:42 pm. Seconded by Jenna Kollar. Motion carries unanimously.

The regular meeting adjourned at 6:42 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Jenna Kollar, Clerk