

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 273
OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 9, 2026

REGULAR MEETING
7:00 PM

Edina Community Center Room 349
5701 Normandale Road, Edina
and Virtual

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

ABSENT:

Ms. Erica Allenburg (virtual)
Mr. Dan Arom
Ms. Cheryl Barry
Mr. Michael Birdman
Ms. Karen Gabler
Ms. Jennifer Huwe
Mr. Elliot Mann

PRESIDING OFFICER: Chair Karen Gabler

7:04 PM - 8:10 PM

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Dr. Daniel Bittman, Superintendent
Nate Swenson, Assistant Superintendent
Dr. Frannie Becquer, Director of Achievement Equity and Multilingual Learner Programming
Jody De St. Hubert, Director of Teaching and Learning
Daphne Edwards, Director of Marketing and Communications
Dr. Anne Marie Leland, Director of Community Education and Strategic Partnerships
Jody Remsing, Director of Student Support Services
Sonya Sailer, Executive Director of Human Resources
Mert Woodard, Director of Finance and Operations

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Ms. Karen Gabler, Chair

Ms. Erica Allenburg, Clerk

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DISTRICT 273 EDINA, MINNESOTA MARCH 9, 2026

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA

EXCELLENCE IN ACTION

PUBLIC HEARING

HEARING FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

CONSENT

- A. Minutes: *February 9 work session and regular meeting; February 17 work session; February 23 special meeting*
- B. Personnel Recommendations
- C. Termination and Non-Renewal of Probationary Teachers
- D. Check Register - February 2026
- E. Electronic Fund Transfers - February 2026
- F. Gifts and Bequests - February 2026
- G. Early Learning Center Interior Surfaces Project Bids
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- J. Highlands Elementary Interior Surfaces Project Bids
- K. Valley View Middle School Renovations Project Bids

DISCUSSION

- A. K-12 Mathematics Curriculum Review Process
- B. Aligning Community Priorities with Our Learning Environments
- C. Policy Review (614, 621, 633, 901, 904)

ACTION

- A. Achievement and Integration FY 2027 Plan - *removed from the agenda*
- B. Achievement and Integration FY 2027 Budget - *removed from the agenda*
- C. Agreement to Construct and Maintain a Stormwater Management Facility
- D. Policy Quick Review (514)
- E. Policy Review (202, 606, 717, 906, 907)

LEADERSHIP AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATES

INFORMATION

- A. Enrollment Mobility - February 2026

- B. Expenditure Summary - February 2026
- C. Investment Summary - February 2026

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM. The minutes and resolutions are open to public inspection on the district website, and on file at the district office, 5701 Normandale Road.

Ms. Karen Gabler, Chair

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Member Arom moved and Member Mann seconded to approve the agenda. All members voted Aye by roll call. The motion passed unanimously.

EXCELLENCE IN ACTION

Paul Kile and students shared a presentation about the deeper value of band, and how band helps develop the competencies outlined in Edina's Portrait of a Well-Rounded graduate.

Member Arom moved and Member Mann seconded to remove the Achievement and Integration Plan and Budget from the agenda. All members voted Aye by roll call. The motion passed unanimously.

CONSENT

Member Arom moved and Member Mann seconded to approve the consent agenda. All members voted Aye by roll call. The motion passed unanimously.

The resolutions were:

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DISCUSSION

K-12 Mathematics Curriculum Review Process: Staff presented information about the comprehensive K-12 mathematics curriculum review process in response to the adoption of the 2022 Minnesota Academic Standards in Mathematics.

Aligning Community Priorities with Our Learning Environments: Dr. Bittman shared an overview of what has been learned through several task force meetings this year related to safety, security, and learning spaces which may require additional financial investment from both the school district and community as early as November 2026.

Policy Review (614, 621, 633, 901, 904): Policy Committee members presented the following policies for discussion. These policies will move forward for approval at the next regular meeting.

- Policy 614 Assessment Plan
- Policy 621 Literacy and the READ Act
- Policy 633 Research Requests
- Policy 901 Community Education Services
- Policy 904 Distribution or Display of Materials on School District Property

ACTION

Agreement to Construct and Maintain a Stormwater Management Facility: Member Mann moved and Member Arom seconded to approve the motion. All members voted Aye by roll call. The motion passed unanimously.

Policy Quick Review (514): Member Arom moved and Member Birdman seconded to approve the motion. All members voted Aye by roll call. The motion passed unanimously.

- Policy 514 Bullying Prohibition

Policy Review (202, 606, 717, 906, 907) Member Mann moved and Member Arom seconded to approve the motion. All members voted Aye by roll call. The motion passed unanimously.

- Policy 202 School Board Officers
- Policy 606 Selection and Review of Instructional Text, Materials, Content or Issues
- Policy 717 Video/Electronic Surveillance
- Policy 906 Community Notification of Predatory Offenders
- Policy 907 Reward for Solving a Crime

LEADERSHIP AND COMMITTEE UPDATES

Member Arom reminded everyone about the Legislative Action Committee's (LAC) Day at the Capitol coming up on April 13. All are welcome.

SUPERINTENDENT UPDATES

Dr. Bittman shared about the Day at the Capitol that he attended with MSBA and MASA leaders and representatives. He also highlighted a number of things to celebrate – band, a student journalist award, and a number of athletic championships.

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:10 PM, Member Arom moved, and Member Mann seconded to adjourn the meeting. All members voted Aye by roll call. The motion passed unanimously.

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