

School Board Minutes
 Regular Meeting
 Monday, March 16, 2026

The Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by Chairman Gohman at 6:00 pm, Monday, March 16, 2026 in the District Board Room 209. Board members present: Gohman, Hollenkamp, Levin, Wolf, Wright, Zahnow, Zastrow and Superintendent Ludvigson. Other members present were: Tammy Cebulla, Barton Rud, Brad Evenson, Melissa Meagher, Sherri Evenson, Audrey Morrill, Jenny Thelen, Mitchell Ganske, Jill Hanson, Ilyse Banegas, Charlie Stier.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

It was moved by Wolf and seconded by Hollenkamp to adopt the agenda. Motion unanimously carried.

It was moved by Wolf and seconded by Hollenkamp to approve the following Consent Agenda:

- CA-1. Regular meeting minutes February 23, 2026
- CA-2. Bills
- CA-2a. Prewrite checks numbered to and including 24799-24862=\$352,845.42
 Checks numbered to and including 24863-24911=\$250,904.24
- CA-2b. Fund Transfers:

Date	Pmt Type	Vendor	Amount
2/14/2025	WX	ELECTRONIC FED TAX PAY SYSTEM	\$186,471.18
2/14/2025	WX	COMMISSIONER OF REVENUE	\$34,274.95
2/14/2025	WX	AVIBEN	\$50.00
2/14/2025	WX	AVIBEN	\$2,227.46
2/14/2025	WX	AVIBEN	\$1,960.83
2/14/2025	WX	PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMT ASSN	\$45,940.81
2/14/2025	WX	TEACHERS RETIREMENT ACCOUNT	\$86,646.43
2/14/2025	WX	AVIBEN	\$15.40
2/14/2025	WX	AVIBEN	\$2,850.04
2/14/2025	WX	AVIBEN	\$150.00
2/14/2025	WX	AVIBEN	\$5,553.78
2/14/2025	WX	AVIBEN	\$4,318.39
2/14/2025	WX	AVIBEN	\$166.67
2/14/2025	WX	AVIBEN	\$50.00
2/14/2025	WX	AVIBEN	\$420.01
2/14/2025	WX	AVIBEN	\$425.00
2/14/2025	WX	AVIBEN	\$333.34
2/14/2025	WX	AVIBEN	\$3,217.03
2/14/2025	WX	AVIBEN	\$166.67
2/14/2025	WX	DELTA DENTAL OF MN	\$4,087.19

2/14/2025	WX	AVIBEN	\$7,979.00
2/19/2025	WX	EYE MED VISION CARE, LLC	\$339.08
2/19/2025	WX	BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MINNESOTA	\$117,793.00
2/28/2025	WX	AMERICAN HERITAGE NATL BANK	\$29.00
2/28/2025	WX	REVTRAK INC	\$311.59
2/26/2025	WX	BMO	\$5,663.54
2/28/2025	WX	MINNESOTA NATIONAL BANK	\$20.00

CA-2c. Revolving checks numbered to and including – 5874-5875=\$145.00

CA-2d. P-Card Statement.

CA-3. Financial Report

CA-4 Personnel

A. New Hires

- 1) Kara Rone - Food Service Worker
- 2) Emily Bjorgan - Secondary Life Science Teacher
- 3) Nissa Doubek - Paraprofessional
- 4) Jessica Rosenow - Kindergarten Teacher

The following appointments are made contingent upon adequate enrollment/participation in the program. The board retains broad discretion to discontinue programs, without notice if enrollment/participation is not adequate.

- 1) Mitch Johnson - Head Baseball Coach
- 2) Alison Triebenbach - Volunteer Track Coach
- 3) Mikayla Jasmer - Volunteer Track Coach
- 4) Nathan Hibbs - Volunteer Track Coach
- 5) Tim Otremba - Volunteer Track Coach

B. Accept the following resignations:

- 1) Bruce Speer - HS Band Director
- 2) Jennifer Houdek - Paraprofessional
- 3) Kevin Trierweiler - Food Service Director
- 4) Jino Stoner - Secondary English Teacher
- 5) Rebekah Bollin - Paraprofessional
- 6) Paul Urman - Head Baseball Coach (correction from March 16, 2026 meeting)

Board member Wolf extended a message of “Thank you and Well Wishes” to all the staff exiting our school system.

CA-5 Approve additional items for Surplus sale - items intended for surplus sale for the auction planned in June or July.

CA-6 Lease Agreement for Trap team to use the Long Prairie Sportsman Club

Motion unanimously carried.

Guest Ms. Hanson and Ily Banegas presented the board with a 3 course meal which they had recently prepared for a Prostart Competition. Ms. Hanson gave a little background about the competition and the preparation that goes into each and every portion of the meal.

Mr. Evenson talked about the Achievement and Integration Plan. He stated that we would be receiving more money than last year by about \$3000.00. The VPK program has been approved and preparations for that will get underway. The Career Fair will be taking place on March 27, 2026.

A motion was made by Hollenkamp and seconded by Zastrow to approve the 3 year Achievement and Integration Plan. Motion unanimously carried.

Kelsey Paurus reported that spring sports are underway.

Sherri Evenson, Business Manager gave a bit more information on the "Alice" and "I Love You Guys" Training as there have been a few glitches with the security systems causing them to go off without reason. This problem is being addressed.

Guest Charlie Stier, head golf coach, presented to the board about the golf program and how much it has grown over the past few years. Charlie asked the board to help pay for some of the transportation costs associated with getting the team to the golf meets. The board agreed to help with these costs as long as Browerville was also on board to help share the cost. A motion was made by Zahnow and seconded by Levin that upon a successful talk with the Browerville Board to provide half the cost of the transportation for the golf team. Motion unanimously carried.

Melissa Meagher from the Health Office talked about a CERP Grant that we received. This grant will help cover the costs to update and add some additional equipment to be ready in case of any kind of emergency. Project Adam is going to be here next week to go through CPR.

Mr. Rud touched on the upcoming band trip and how procedures were going to go with that. He does not foresee any problems with the trip. The fire alarm was recently set off by a faulty smoke detector. Compliments were given by Mr. Steuck from the police department on how everyone handled the situation. Also a special acknowledgement to Mr. Ganske for being on top of the technical part of things when the system fails. Compliments to Ms. Hanson and the Prostart team for the preparation and distribution of their foods.

Superintendent Ludvigson has been working on grants. Negotiations are also underway with the negotiating team working very hard to complete them. Mr. Ludvigson attended the "Day at the Capital". Mr. Ludvigson also stated that the lease with the ALC will end at the end of the 2026 school year due to their numbers being majority online so the space is no longer needed.

Board Highlight – Successful end to winter sports. Spring concerts will be coming up in May. Special "Thank you" to everyone working on all of the grants for the school. These are big projects and all your time and dedication is greatly appreciated.

The 2026-2027 Calendar needed a few adjustments regarding the number of days in each quarter. A motion was made by Hollenkamp and seconded by Zastrow to make the adjustments to the calendar for the 2026-2027 school year. Motion unanimously carried.

The donation resolution was moved by Zastrow and seconded by Wolf:

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING DONATIONS for March 2026

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 device 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 Long Prairie Grey Eagle, ISD 2753, gratefully accepts the following donations as identified below:

Donor	Item	Designated Purpose (if any)
Coborns Grocery Long Prairie	\$250 gift card	Culinary Arts for Soup Supper
Enterprise-CP LLC	\$500	Weightroom Fundraiser
Lions Club of Long Prairie	\$8000	Scholarship
Lions Club of Long Prairie	\$4000	Athletic Equipment
Alexandria Area USBC Association	\$300	Post Prom
Prairie Family Dental	\$50	Post Prom
Jenkins Iron & Steel Inc	\$500	Post Prom
John Weise Ford, Inc	\$50	Post Prom
Ross Nesbit Agencies, Inc. Kutter Insurance Agency	\$50	Post Prom
North Star Plumbing Heating and Air LLC	\$100	Post Prom
Neville Hardware, LLC	\$200	Post Prom
The Trailer Center	\$200	Post Prom
American Legion Post 12 - LP	\$300	Post Prom
Todd Veterinary Clinic	\$30	Post Prom
Home Town Abstract & Title, LLC	\$100	Post Prom
American Foods Group	\$100	Post Prom
Minnesota National Bank	\$100	Post Prom
Sellnow Law Office, P.A.	\$200	Post Prom
Long Prairie Sanitation, Inc	\$75	Post Prom
Minnesota National Agency, Inc.	\$50	Post Prom
Long Prairie Oil Co., Inc	\$100	Post Prom
East-West Realty of Long Prairie	\$75	Post Prom
Vanguard Insurance Services	\$100	Post Prom
Lions Club of Long Prairie	\$2000	Post Prom
Amy & Myke Zimmerman	\$100	Post Prom

The vote on adoption of the Resolution was as follows:

Aye: Gohman, Hollenkamp, Levin, Wolf, Wright, Zahnow and Zastrow

Nay: 0

Absent: 0

Whereupon, said Resolution was declared duly adopted.

A motion was made by Hollenkamp and seconded by Zahnow to pass the first reading of Policy 625. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Zastrow and seconded by Hollenkamp to approve the mutual termination agreement with the ALC. Motion unanimously carried.

Auditorium lighting updates are underway. It will be done in 4 phases. A motion was made by Zastrow and seconded by Zahnow to accept the quote from Gopher Stage Lighting for Phase 2 of the lighting updates. Motion unanimously carried.

Quotes were obtained for replacement of the Fire Alarm system at the High School. A motion was made by Zastrow and seconded by Zahnow to approve the quote from UHL company for the Fire Alarm System update. Motion unanimously carried.

An MOU has been signed by Alison Triebenbach for an Adaptive Track Coach for a student with special needs. A motion was made by Zastrow and seconded by Zahnow to approve this MOU for Alison Triebenbach. Motion unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Zastrow and seconded by Wolf to approve the Individual contracts of the Tech Director, Tech Director Assistant and Onboarding Specialist. Motion unanimously carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm by Chairman Gohman.

Lori Hollenkamp, Clerk