DETROIT LAKES PUBLIC SCHOOLS

AGENDA
SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, October 7, 2025 - 8:30 AM
District Office, 702 Lake Ave., Detroit Lakes, MN 56501

The mission of Detroit Lakes Public schools is to ensure consistent expectations, opportunities, meaningful support, and strong relationships so that every student develops the skills, confidence, and connections needed to thrive beyond graduation.

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I. **CALL TO ORDER**
Presenter: Steffl, Board Chair
A. Laker Pride

II. **ROLL CALL**
Presenter: Steffl, Board Chair

III. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
Presenter: Steffl, Board Chair

IV. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
Presenter: Steffl, Board Chair
A. Agenda Approval
Approval of the Agenda for the October 7, 2025 Special School Board Meeting as presented.

V. **ACTION ITEMS**
Action items receive individual attention because of the nature of the issues, the need to discuss or review the information prior to taking action, or the specific kind of action required for the item.
A. Motion to Approve the Resolution Approving the Purchase of real property located at 204 and 220 Willow Street East, Detroit Lakes, MN, PID Nos. 497066000 and 491451000.

VI. **MEETING ADJOURNED**
Presenter: Steffl, Board Chair

Laker PRIDE

	**Purpose** our intention, what drives us	Deliver educational excellence.
	**Relationships** the ways we connect and behave toward each other	Care and communicate positively and respectfully within and across our schools and community. • District ←→ parents and community members • District ←→ building • Building ←→ teacher • Building ←→ parents • Teacher ←→ parent • Teacher ←→ students
	**Innovation** the creation, development and implementation of a new idea or concept to enhance educational opportunities	Embrace creativity and critical thinking. • Renew and bring up to date all systems and practices • Utilize growth mindset to hone existing intentions/objectives and explore new ideas • Support diverse ways of thinking and doing • Embed equity continually in every facet of our work
	**Development** a process that creates growth, progress, positive change or the addition of physical, economic, environmental, social and demographic components	Foster the academic, social, emotional, and cultural needs of all learners. • Implement and sustain PBIS at all levels • Hone our support for social/emotional health • Further learning and implementation of equitable feedback, assessment, grading and reporting • Provide professional development that supports PRIDE
	**Equity** the quality of being fair (not equal) and impartial	Ensure that our values, policies, and practices are equitable for our students, staff, and community. • Clarify and support understanding of equity vs. equality for all • Actively promote equity (institutional, personal, and instructional) • Remove systemic barriers • Accommodate different learning styles • Give students a voice

I pledge allegiance to the flag
of the United States of America,
and to the Republic
for which it stands,
one Nation under God,
indivisible,
with Liberty and Justice
for all.



Member _____ introduced the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the District's administration negotiated a purchase agreement, attached hereto as Exhibit A ("Purchase Agreement"), whereby the District will sell real property located at 204 and 220 Willow Street East, Detroit Lakes, MN, PID Nos. 497066000 and 491451000 ("Property"); and

WHEREAS, the District has previously followed the statutory process for the closure of the schoolhouse located on the Property and the District no longer has a need for the Property;

WHEREAS, the District has determined that the negotiated terms provided for in the Purchase Agreement are most advantageous to the District and that the sale of the Property will assist the District in meeting its future educational needs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 22, Detroit Lakes, as follows:

1. The School Board hereby approves sale of the Property pursuant to the terms provided for in the Purchase Agreement.

2. The District's administration and legal counsel are authorized and directed to take all steps necessary to finalize the Purchase Agreement and to complete closing. The Board Chair and Board Clerk authorized and directed to sign the Purchase Agreement and the deed contemplated by the Purchase Agreement. Superintendent Mark Jenson is authorized and directed to sign all other necessary closing documents on behalf of the District and the School Board.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing Resolution was duly seconded by _____ and upon a vote being taken thereon, said Resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.