

Annual Organizational Meeting

Duluth Public Schools, ISD 709

Agenda

Monday, January 4, 2016

District Services Center

709 Portia Johnson Dr.

Duluth, MN 55811

4:30 PM

1. **Call to Order by Temporary Chairperson Annie Harala**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Approval of the Agenda**
4. **Election of Chairperson**
5. **Election of Vice Chairperson**
6. **Election of Clerk**
7. **Election of Treasurer**
8. **Appointment of Deputy Clerk**
9. **Appointment of Board Secretaries**
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18. **Adjournment**

RESOLUTION**Selection of Meeting Dates/Times**

RESOLVED, By the School Board of Independent School District No. 709, St. Louis County, Minnesota, that the Regular meetings of the School Board shall be held the third Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Historic Old Central High School unless otherwise scheduled by the School Board.

RESOLUTION
Designation of Depositories and Acceptance of Collateral

RESOLVED, By the School Board of Independent School District No. 709, St. Louis County, Minnesota, that Duluth Teachers Credit Union, US Bank, North Shore Bank of Commerce, Wells Fargo Bank, Park State Bank, BMO Harris Bank, Associated Bank, and Western Bank shall be depositories of the funds of this School District for up to a one year period commencing January 1, 2016, and said banks shall be required to deposit with said district collateral securities, subject to approval by the School Board, and kept in trust;

RESOLVED, That the collateral securities pledged by Duluth Teachers Credit Union and placed in trust at Federal Reserve Bank of Boston; North Shore Bank of Commerce and placed in trust at U S Bank N. A.; Key Bank and placed in trust at Federal Reserve Bank of Boston; all as provided by law and evidence by trust agreements executed by the Treasurer of the School Board, an officer of the depository bank, and acknowledged by an officer of the bank holding the securities in trust, shall be approved.

DULUTH TEACHERS CREDIT UNION –

\$250,000.00 FNSM, Cusip xxxxxxVM2, due 3/14/2017

\$500,000.00 FHOR, Cusip xxxxxxKG7, due 4/10/2018

\$250,000.00 FNNT, Cusip xxxxxx7E5, due 11/28/2016

NORTH SHORE BANK OF COMMERCE –

\$100,000.00 FHLB, Cusip xxxxxxCV7, due 3/10/2017

\$200,000.00 FHLB, Cusip xxxxxxDG1, due 5/30/2019

BMO HARRIS BANK –

Authorized up to maximum of \$250,000 on deposit at any one time

U S BANK –

Authorized up to maximum of \$250,000 on deposit at any one time

KEYBANK –

Authorized up to maximum of \$250,000 on deposit at any one time

WELLS FARGO BANK –

Authorized up to maximum of \$250,000 on deposit at any one time

PARK STATE BANK –

Authorized up to maximum of \$250,000 on deposit at any one time

WESTERN BANK –

Authorized up to maximum of \$250,000 on deposit at any one time

RESOLVED, That the Treasurer, Clerk, and/or Director of Business Services shall be authorized to arrange for the exchange, release, or placing of additional collateral, provided that in all instances such exchange, releases, or placing of additional collateral shall be approved by the school board and all new collateral shall be placed in trust with the respective aforementioned institutions.

RESOLUTION**Designation of Authority to Perform Electronic Fund Transfers**

RESOLVED, By the School Board of Independent School District No. 709, St. Louis County, Minnesota, that the CFO/Executive Director of Business Services has the authority to designate a district employee/employees to initiate electronic fund transfers, as required by MS 471.38.

RESOLUTION

Authorization for Superintendent of Schools and CFO/Executive Director of Business Services to Sign Contracts and Grants

RESOLVED, By the School Board of Independent School District 709, St. Louis County, Minnesota, that to increase operational efficiency, it is requested that authorization to sign revenue contracts and expenditure contracts for the lease, purchase, and contract for goods or services within budgetary and policy limits up to \$25,000 be granted to the Superintendent of Schools and CFO/Executive Director of Business Services. This delegation of authorization is allowable under Minnesota Statute 123B.52 subd. 2. The superintendent's designee will review each contract before execution.

RESOLVED, By the School Board of Independent School District 709, St. Louis County, Minnesota, that the Superintendent of Schools, or in his/her absence the CFO/Executive Director of Business Services, be designated the legal authorized representative to sign applications and execute grant documents for and in behalf of the school district in connection with federal and state laws and funding authorities and local, public, and private funding agencies that offer categorical financial support to this school district.

RESOLVED, By the School Board of ISD 709, St. Louis County, Minnesota that a list of all the above contracts and grants hereby approved by the Superintendent or the CFO/Executive Director of Business Services will be provided as an informational item at the first possible regular school Board Meeting following the approval action.

RESOLUTION
Selection of District's Legal Counsel

RESOLVED, By the School Board of Independent School District No. 709, St. Louis County, Minnesota, that the following firms have been selected as legal counsel for the District.

Fryberger, Buchanan, Smith & Frederick, P.A.
 700 Lonsdale Building
 302 West Superior Street
 Duluth, MN 55802

Ratwik, Roszak & Maloney
 300 US Trust Building
 730 Second Avenue South
 Minneapolis, MN 55402

Dryer, Storaasli, Knutson & Pommerville
 202 West Superior Street, Suite 200
 Duluth, MN 55802

Rupp, Anderson, Squires & Waldspurger, P.A.
 527 Marquette Avenue South, Suite 1200
 Minneapolis, MN 55402
 612. 436.4300 (office)
 612.436.4340 (fax)

RESOLVED, that the authorized contact persons for the District are as follows:

Chair of the School Board
 Superintendent of Schools
 Executive Assistant to Superintendent
 Assistant Superintendent
 CFO/Executive Director of Business Services
 Director of Special Education
 Manager of Facilities
 Finance Manager
 Business Services Secretary
 Senior Human Resources Manager
 Human Resources Manager for Non-Certified Staff
 Human Resources Benefits Coordinator

RESOLUTION**Selection of District's Official Newspaper**

RESOLVED, By the School Board of Independent School District No. 709, St. Louis County, Minnesota, that the District's official newspaper will continue to be the Duluth News Tribune.

RESOLUTION

ACCEPTING THE NINE TOOLS OF CIVILITY

WHEREAS, The residents of Duluth Public Schools ISD 709 place a high value on respect and civility in their lives and they understand that these characteristics are essential to any healthy community; and

WHEREAS, The School Board of Independent School District No. 709 supports opportunities for civil discourse and discussion in the community and within the School District; and

WHEREAS, The School Board of Independent School District No. 709 addresses sometimes controversial issues about which people often feel passionately and which at times leads to uncivil behavior; and

WHEREAS, An atmosphere of incivility and disrespect can have a damaging effect on the proceedings, on the quality of debate, and on the practice of democracy itself.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the School Board of Independent School District No. 709 recognizes nine tools of civility as encouraged by Speak Your Peace: The Civility Project that will provide increased opportunities for civil discourse in order to find positive resolutions to the issues that face our community. These tools include:

1. Pay attention
2. Listen
3. Be inclusive
4. Don't gossip
5. Show respect
6. Be agreeable
7. Apologize
8. Give constructive criticism
9. Take responsibility

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the School Board of Independent School District No. 709 shall promote the use and adherence of these tools in conducting the business of the School Board.

RESOLUTION

APPROVING THE CONTINUED PARTICIPATION OF STUDENT SCHOOL BOARD REPRESENTATIVES

WHEREAS, The School Board of Duluth Public Schools ISD 709 has included Student School Board Representatives since January 2005; and

WHEREAS, Student school board representatives provide the school board with a student voice and youth perspective; and

WHEREAS, The Minnesota School Boards Association encourages school boards to develop a process to include student representatives; and

WHEREAS, The Superintendent and high school principals have reviewed and revised where necessary the selection process for appointing student school board representatives.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the School Board of Independent School District 709 approves the continued participation of one Student School Board Representative from Denfeld and East high schools.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the term for the 2016 Student School Board Representatives will be January 4, 2016 to January 3, 2017.

Resolution B-1-16-3330

January 04, 2016