

**Special School Board Meeting / Executive (Closed) Session - Lawsuit Update**

Duluth Public Schools, ISD 709

Agenda

Wednesday, January 29, 2020

UnitedHealth Group Building

4316 Rice Lake Road

Suite 108

Duluth, MN 55811

6:00 PM

(or to follow the previous closed session)

**1. Call to Order**

**2. Roll Call**

**3. The Open Meeting Law, Minnesota Statute section 13D.05, subdivision 3(b), states that a public body shall close a meeting pursuant to attorney-client privilege.**

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**4. Recess to Closed Session**

**5. Reconvene to Open Session**

**6. Adjourn**

To read to go into closed session re: Lawsuit Update

The next item on the agenda is a closed session that will allow the School Board to receive legal advice related to an employee's claims in the matter entitled "*Tonya M. Sconiers v. Duluth Public Schools, et. al.*". The Open Meeting Law, Minnesota Statute section 13D.05, subdivision 3(b), states that the School Board may close a meeting pursuant to the attorney-client privilege. During the closed meeting, the School Board will discuss with its attorney the lawsuit filed against the District. The Board will discuss with its attorney how it wishes to proceed in the lawsuit, including making strategy decisions. There is a need for absolute confidentiality because the District's position would be compromised if such discussions took place in public and could be overheard by the employee or her attorney. Accordingly, pursuant to the law I have cited, I will hereby entertain a motion that this meeting be closed pursuant to the attorney-client privilege.