

Regular School Board Meeting
Monday, May 18, 2026 5:15 PM Central

FHS Library and YouTube Live Stream
1515 11th Street
International Falls, Minnesota 56649

Jessica Crosby: Present
Dale Johnson: Present
Toni Korpi: Present
Tina Sather: Present
Roxanne Skogstad-Ditsch: Present
Joann Smith: Present

Present: 6.

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Call to Order

1. Roll Call:

Jessica Crosby, Vice Board Chair
 Dale Johnson, Director
 Toni Korpi, Clerk
 Tina Sather, Treasurer
 Roxanne Skogstad-Ditsch, Director
 JoAnn Smith, Board Chair

Non-Voting Members:

Beth Shermoen, Superintendent
 Emmitt Olson, Student Representative

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda

1. Approve agenda as presented.

Motion by _____, second by _____. Motion carried / failed.

Open Forum

1. Elk's Student's of the Month: May - Tiffany Norby and Ava Werner

2. Public Open Forum

Committee and Administrative Reports

1. Melissa Tate, Secondary Principal:

2. Lisa West, Elementary Principal:

3. Molly Larson, Community Education Director:

4. Timm Ringhofer, Activities Director:

5. Beth Shermoen, Superintendent:

6. Policy Committee:

7. Athletic Committee:

8. Legislative Committee:

Consent Agenda

Approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion by _____, second by _____. Motion carried / failed.

1. Approve payroll in the amount of \$671,390.49 for pay periods 5/1/26 (Regular and Retro Pay for new L510 contract), and 5/15/26 (Regular and Q-comp payroll).
2. Approve current accounts payable due in the amount of \$2,140,087.14.
3. Approve past meeting minutes for the regular school board meeting on 4/20/2026.
4. Approve Monthly Financial Reports for April 2026
5. Approve the resignation of Justin True as a 5-12 Band Director effective June 30, 2026.
6. Approve the resignation of Trista Haberle as a Paraprofessional effective May 21, 2026.
7. Approve the resignation of Karla Line as the advisor of Minnesota Honor Society effective June 30, 2026.
8. Approve the new position of a 1.0 fte. Full-Service Community School Site Coordinator.
9. Approve the hire of Julian Wilson as the ISD 361 Technology Director beginning June 15, 2026.
10. Approve the hire of Justin Carney as a 1.0 fte. Special Education Teacher for the 26/27 school year.
11. Approve use of the high school track by Voyageurs National Park to conduct their annual Wildland Firefighter Work Capacity Test on 5/13, 5/20, and 5/28, 2026.
12. Approve use of the field by the City of International's for July 4th fireworks.
13. Approve the FHS PBIS fundraiser - Kona Ice Days at FHS on May 15th, 2026.
14. Approve the Bronco Golf Team Booster Fundraiser - Monday Night Golf Range
15. Second Reading of School Board Policy 404FM: Sample Informed Consent Form
16. Second Reading of School Board Policy 406FM: Sample Consent to Release Data Form.
17. Second Reading of School Board Policy 413FM: Harassment and Violence Report Form.
18. Second Reading of School Board Policy 414FM: Confidential Student Maltreatment Reporting Form.
19. Second Reading of School Board Policy 416FM: Form Related to Drug, Alcohol, and Cannabis Testing Policy.

20. Second Reading of School Board Policy 418FM: Drug - Free Workplace Acknowledgment Form.
21. Second Reading of School Board Policy Form: Discipline Complaint Form
22. Second Reading of School Board Policy Form: Participation Guide and Refusal Information Form.
23. Second Reading of School Board Policy Form 530: Immunization Form
24. Second Reading of School Board Policy Form: Medical Authorization Form
25. Second Reading of School Board Policy Form: Medical Statement Form
26. Second Reading of School Board Policy 210: Conflict of Interest—School Board.
27. Second Reading of School Board Policy 423: Employee-Student Relationships.
28. Second Reading of School Board Policy 501: School Weapons Policy.
29. Second Reading of School Board Policy 502: Search of Student Lockers, Desks, Personal Possessions, and Student's Person.
30. Second Reading of School Board Policy 503: Student Attendance.
31. Second Reading of School Board Policy 504: Student Dress and Appearance.
32. Second Reading of School Board Policy 505: Distribution of Non-school-Sponsored Materials on School Premises by Students and Employees.
33. Second Reading of School Board Policy 506: Student Discipline.
34. Second Reading of School Board Policy 507: Corporal Punishment and Prone Restraint.
35. Second Reading of School Board Policy 508: Extended School Year For Certain Students With Individualized Education Programs (IEPS).
36. Second Reading of School Board Policy 509: Enrollment of Nonresident Students.
37. Second Reading of School Board Policy 510: School Activities.
38. Second Reading of School Board Policy 511: School Fundraising.
39. Second Reading of School Board Policy 512: School-Sponsored Student Publications and Activities.
40. Second Reading of School Board Policy 513: Student Promotion, Retention, and Program Design.
41. Second Reading of School Board Policy 514: Bullying Prohibition Policy.
42. Second Reading of School Board Policy 515: Protection and Privacy of Pupil Records.
43. Second Reading of School Board Policy 516: Student Medication and Telehealth.
44. Second Reading of School Board Policy 516.5: Guidelines for Administration of Student Medication.

45. Second Reading of School Board Policy 517: Student Recruiting.
46. Second Reading of School Board Policy 518: DNR-DNI Orders.
47. Second Reading of School Board Policy 519: Interviews of Students by Outside Agencies.
48. Second Reading of School Board Policy 520: Student Surveys.
49. Second Reading of School Board Policy 521: Student Disability Nondiscrimination.
50. Second Reading of School Board Policy 522: Title IX Sex Nondiscrimination Policy, Grievance Procedure and Process.
51. Second Reading of School Board Policy 523: Policies Incorporated by Reference.
52. Second Reading of School Board Policy 524: Internet Acceptable Use and Safety Policy.
53. Second Reading of School Board Policy 525: Violence Prevention.
54. Second Reading of School Board Policy 526: Hazing Prohibition.
55. Second Reading of School Board Policy 527: Student Use and Parking of Motor Vehicles; Patrols, Inspections, and Searches.
56. Second Reading of School Board Policy 528: Student Parental, Family, and Marital Status Nondiscrimination.
57. Second Reading of School Board Policy 529: Staff Notification of Violent Behavior by Students.
58. Second Reading of School Board Policy 530: Immunization Requirements.
59. Second Reading of School Board Policy 531: The Pledge of Allegiance.
60. Second Reading of School Board Policy 532: Use of Peace Officers and Crisis Teams to Remove Students with IEP's From School Grounds.
61. Second Reading of School Board Policy 533: Wellness.
62. Second Reading of School Board Policy 534: School Meals Policy.
63. Second Reading of School Board Policy 535: Service Animals in Schools.
64. Second Reading of School Board Policy 608: Instructional Services — Special Education.
65. Second Reading of School Board Policy 611: Home Schooling.
66. Second Reading of School Board Policy 613: Graduation Requirements.
67. Second Reading of School Board Policy 614: School District Testing & Procedure.
68. Second Reading of School Board Policy 617: School District Ensurance of Preparatory and High School Standards.
69. Second Reading of School Board Policy 618: Assessment of Standard Achievement.
70. Second Reading of School Board Policy 619: Staff Development.

71. Second Reading of School Board Policy 621 - Literacy and the Read Act.

72. Second Reading of School Board Policy 624: Online Instruction.

Action Items

1. Improving systems and structures to create a culture where all are welcome and supported.

1.a. Resolution Acceptance of Gifts and Donations.

Motion by _____, second by _____. Motion carried / failed.

1.b. Approve acceptance of the award for the MN DNR Grant (No Child Left Inside) supporting the Icebox Explorers in the amount of \$19,292.50.

Motion by _____, second by _____. Motion carried / failed.

1.c. Approve acceptance of the Marshall N. Knudson Family Community Fund grant in the amount of \$5,000 to support the purchase of 250 individual calming kits for students.

Motion by _____, second by _____. Motion carried / failed.

1.d. Approve acceptance of the Marshall N. Knudson Family Community Fund grant in the amount of \$3,700 to support the 2026 PALS Program at ISD 361 Community Education.

Motion by _____, second by _____. Motion carried / failed.

2. Maintain our facilities to be welcoming, safe and efficient for use by students and the community.

2.a. Approve the closure of the school district buildings Falls Elementary School and Falls High School to the general public from June 2, 2026, through August 2, 2026, for internal construction completion.

Motion by _____, second by _____. Motion carried / failed.

3. Increasing family and community engagement in student learning and school experiences through improved communication and collaboration.

3.a. Approve the Community Education and Child Care software system Arux.

Motion by _____, second by _____. Motion carried / failed.

3.b. Approve the ISD 361 American Indian Parent Advisory Council (AIPAC) and Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) Non-Compliance Response to Action Letter.

Motion by _____, second by _____. Motion carried / failed.

Adjournment

1. Motion by _____, second by _____ to adjourn meeting at _____ p.m.

Motion carried / failed.