

Fillmore Central School
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
February 26, 2025

The regular meeting of the Board of Education for Independent District #2198, Preston, Minnesota was called to order at 5:00 P.M. on the evening of Wednesday, February 26, 2025, in the Fillmore Central Elementary School Meeting Room by Chairperson Jennifer Pickett. Present: Superintendent Heath Olstad, Business Manager Darla Ebner, Board Members: Britton, Mathison, Michel, Pickett, Schwarz, and Sikkink. Absent: Topness. Visitors: Aaron Bishop and Hannah Wingert.

Recognition of visitors: Aaron Bishop addressed the Board regarding possible changes in federal funding moving forward under the new United States administration.

Sikkink moved to approve the agenda as presented. Motion was seconded by Schwarz. Motion carried unanimously.

Britton moved to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2025, regular board meeting as presented. Motion seconded by Schwarz. Motion carried unanimously.

Sikkink moved to approve the [monthly claims](#) in the amount of \$1,098,464.80. Motion was seconded by Michel. Motion carried unanimously.

The Community Ed Director's, Elementary/Athletic Director's, and High School principal's reports were presented by Heath Olstad.

Sikkink moved to approve the resignation of Matthew Patterson as elementary music teacher at the end of the 2024/25 school year. Motion seconded by Britton. Motion carried unanimously.

Britton moved to approve the request received from Education Minnesota - Fillmore Central to negotiate the 2025-2027 Master Agreement. Motion seconded by Sikkink. Motion carried unanimously.

Sikkink moved to approve the 2025/26 school calendar as presented. Motion seconded by Schwarz. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was held regarding the date, time, and location of the March 2025 regular board meeting.

Schwarz moved to keep the March 2025 regular board meeting at its usual date/time in the Fillmore Central High School meeting room. Motion seconded by Britton. Motion carried unanimously.

Schwarz moved to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Michel. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Topness
Clerk, Independent School District #2198