

ULEN-HITTERDAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
 REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
 WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2024  
 6:00 PM  
 BOARD ROOM

<u>Elected</u>	<u>Roll Call</u>	<u>Term Exp.</u>	<u>Elected</u>	<u>Roll Call</u>	<u>Term Exp.</u>
2021	___ Mindy Bakke	2025			
2021	___ Bob Klemetson	2025	2023	___ Donna Jacob	2027
2021	___ Nolan Braseth	2025	2023	___ Laura Tweten	2027
2023	___ Jennie Wibe-Bjerke	2027	2024	___ Troy Amundson	2025

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance
  
- II. Open Mic: (The Open Mic. segment is the agenda item that allows members of the public to address the Board on any issues they deem appropriate. Speaking time is limited to two minutes per person. It is requested by the Board that visitors refrain from addressing the Board during the Action Agenda unless invited to do so by the Board or Superintendent.)
  
- III. Special Reports:
  - A. Fenworks Presentation on eSports
  - B. Peterson Insurance Services
  
- IV. Good News: Ted Critchley
  - A. TCO Football
  - B. MSUM Music Fall Festival
  - C. NDSU Honor Band & Choir
  - D. FFA Rally Day
  
- V. Approval of Minutes
  
- VI. Approval of Claims and Liquid Transfers
  
- VII. Reports:
  - A. Special Ed/Title Program – Laura Tweten
  - B. ECFE/Community Ed – Mindy Bakke
  - C. Student & Minority Liaison – Toy Amundson, Jennie Wibe-Bjerke, Laura Tweten
  - D. Negotiations – Nolan Braseth, Mindy Bakke, Laura Tweten
  - E. Meet & Confer – Bob Klemetson, Jennie Wibe-Bjerke, Laura Tweten
  - F. Technology/Vocational – Troy Amundson, Mindy Bakke, Donna Jacob
  - G. Marketing/Co-Curricular – Troy Amundson, Jennie Wibe-Bjerke, Bob Klemetson
  - H. Facilities/Finance/Personnel – Jenne Wibe-Bjerke, Nolan Braseth, Donna Jacob
  - I. Food Service/Wellness – Troy Amundson, Mindy Bakke

- J. MSHSL – Bob Klemetson
- K. World’s Best Workforce – Laura Tweten, Donna Jacob

VIII. Dean of Students Report: Ted Critchley

- A. ASVAB
- B. Important Dates & Events
- C. ILT: Support-Prepare-Inspire
- D. Early Dismissal: October 16

IX. AD Report:

- A. Fall Sports Postseason
- B. Winter Sports Preview

X. Superintendent Report: Dustin Flaten

- A. Enrollment (Enclosed)
- B. Testing Calendar
- C. Updating Seniority List
- D. Elementary and HS TAT/BIT & 504 Updates
- E. Project Updates and Timelines

XI. Approval of Agenda

XII. Action Agenda:

- A. Recommendation to approve the hire of Vincent Olson as our Indian Education Director at no more than 50% of the Indian Education Funding through the state each year.
- B. Recommendation to approve the annual property and liability coverages as presented by Peterson Insurance Services for 2024-2025.
- C. Recommendation to approve the “Yes” vote of adding 9<sup>th</sup> Grade to the MSHSL. (Enclosed)

XIII. Upcoming Meetings and Special Events: Regular School Board Meeting to be held on Wednesday, November 13<sup>th</sup>.

XIV. Adjourn

## Enrollment

	<u>Sept, 2024</u>	<u>Oct, 2024</u>
Kg	18	18
1	14	14
2	24	25
3	24	24
4	18	19
5	20	20
6	<u>24</u>	<u>24</u>
	142	144
7	27	27
8	32	32
9	29	29
10	30	30
11	19	19
12	<u>22</u>	<u>21</u>
	159	158
<b>TOTALS</b>	301	302

**New Students:**

Grade 2 (1)

Grade 4 (1)

**Students Leaving:**

Grade 12 (1)



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September 30, 2024

Dear Superintendent, Head of School or President

The Minnesota State High School League is conducting a Member School Vote regarding two MSHSL Constitutional Amendments before all Member Schools. This vote by Member Schools, regarding the two Proposed Constitutional Amendments is scheduled to be held electronically from Friday, October 4, 2024, through Friday, October 18, 2024, and requests your timely action on behalf of your school. On Tuesday, September 17, 2024, a packet was mailed to you that included background information, the Proposed Constitutional Amendments and a sample ballot.

This letter provides necessary information to cast your ballot in the Member School Vote. The voting will take place online and your electronic ballot must be submitted by October 18, 2024.

### Voting Directions:

1. Access the Proposed Constitutional Amendments Voting Information Page at [www.mshsl.org/9thgovernance](http://www.mshsl.org/9thgovernance) and select "Online Ballot."
2. Use your school specific information to complete all required information within the voting form. This includes:
  - a. Name of your member school and ballot security code  
**Your School Name: Ulen-Hitterdal High School**  
*Note: This is an auto-fill field and will populate a list of schools to select from once you start typing the name.*  
**Your Ballot Security Code: Kfh08W**
  - b. The email address of Superintendent, Head of School or President. This individual will receive an auto response email confirming the school vote.
  - c. Name of person completing ballot.
  - d. The name(s) of your Designated MSHSL School Representative(s). These are the individuals determined by your school or school board who are authorized to vote on behalf of your school.
3. Complete your ballot by selecting the appropriate voting box for both of the Constitutional Amendment questions.
  - a. A "Yes" vote supports the passage of the Constitutional Amendment.
  - b. A "No" vote does not support the passage of the Constitutional Amendment.

On the 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Governance Voting Information Page ([www.mshsl.org/9thgovernance](http://www.mshsl.org/9thgovernance)) you will also find:

- Notification Letter to Member Schools - September 17, 2024
- Two Proposed Constitutional Amendments
- Sample Ballot
- Link to the Official Ballot: This link will be live only during the voting window
- Additional informational resources regarding the vote

The voting window for these Proposed Constitutional Amendments is from Friday, October 4, 2024, to Friday, October 18, 2024. If you have any questions about the voting process, please contact Amanda Johnson at [arjohnson@mshsl.org](mailto:arjohnson@mshsl.org).

Sincerely,

Erich Martens  
Executive Director



# MSHSL Grades 9-12 Governance

## Adding 9th Grade to the Minnesota State High School League: Five Important Reasons Why

### 1. Bringing all 9<sup>th</sup> graders into the MSHSL.

The state of Minnesota defines a high school as serving grades 9 – 12 and while nearly all Minnesota high schools educate students in grades 9-12 the MSHSL does not currently govern or administer 9<sup>th</sup> grade programs. This vote would address this discrepancy in enrollment and governance.

### 2. It's safer for students and their parents.

All 9<sup>th</sup> graders will now be covered by the League's Catastrophic Medical Accident Insurance and the League's concussion insurance in all practices and competitions. 9<sup>th</sup> graders are not currently covered when not participating in grades 10 – 12 programs. Also, 9<sup>th</sup>-grade contests will now be required to be played according to the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) rules which are written with a focus on health and safety.

### 3. Consistency is key and the "eligibility clock" starts ticking.

When students enter 9<sup>th</sup> grade, they begin their high school experience and:

- Begin earning credits toward graduation,
- Start their four consecutive years of eligibility in League fine arts and activities, and
- Establish their school of enrollment and the school at which they are eligible to participate. Any transfer after entering 9<sup>th</sup> grade is subject to the transfer rules.

Currently, the 9<sup>th</sup> graders in activities are governed and managed differently than their peers in grades 10-12 when participating at the 9<sup>th</sup> grade level. All high school students should be supported and governed in the same manner.

### 4. The standards are already set.

Although 9<sup>th</sup> graders are not governed in practice and competition at the 9<sup>th</sup> grade level, nearly all high schools hold 9<sup>th</sup> graders to the same bylaws, rules and standards as students in grades 10-12.

### 5. "It's what everyone is doing."

Nearly all other state high school leagues/associations in the U.S. include 9<sup>th</sup> graders. Doing so will improve consistency with National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) rules, mirror practices throughout the Midwest and better address competitions with bordering states.

*-- Reasons provided by MSHSL Member Schools and the MSHSL Board of Directors.*