

**REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #756
BLOOMING PRAIRIE, MINNESOTA
NOVEMBER 17, 2025**

A regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District #756, Blooming Prairie, Minnesota, was held in the High School Media Center on Monday, November 17, 2025, at 7:15 p.m. (Open Forum at 7:00 p.m.)

OPEN FORUM – None

I. CALL TO ORDER – CHAIRPERSON

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL - CLERK Crystal Studer, Dean Meshke, Brady Hullopeter, Jon Sunde, Melissa Stoen, Rodney Krell, Kelly Braaten

ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent of Schools, High School Principal, High School Associate Principal, Elementary Principal, & Members of the Press

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Jon Sunde and seconded by Crystal Studer to approve the agenda as presented.
Motion carried. (7 Aye/0 Nay)

V. PRINCIPAL REPORTS

Reports given by Mr. Schwarz, Mr. Worke, and Ms. Mach.

VI. ITEMS ON WHICH BOARD ACTION IS REQUESTED

A. Minutes, Bills, Treasurer's Report, Resignations/Terminations, Maternity/Paternity/Medical Leaves, and Donations

Motion by Kelly Braaten and seconded by Jon Sunde to approve items in the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried. (7 Aye/0 Nay)

B. Employment

None at this time.

C. Volunteer Coaches

None at this time.

D. Annual Election Resolution

Motion by Jon Sunde and seconded by Melissa Stoen to approve the annual election resolution that establishes combined polling places. Motion carried. (7 Aye/0 Nay)

E. Health/Dental/Vision Insurance

Motion by Melissa Stoen and seconded by Crystal Studer to approve the district's insurance carrier for health, dental, and vision to be United Healthcare for calendar year 2026. The health insurance premiums had a 9.9% increase from 2025 while the dental and vision rates remain unchanged. Motion carried. (7 Aye/0 Nay)

F. Nice Healthcare

Motion by Crystal Studer and seconded by Brady Hulloper to approve the district to provide Nice Healthcare coverage at \$39 per person to each full-service employee that elects to take the group health insurance plan offered by the district. Motion carried. (7 Aye/0 Nay)

G. Capital Purchase Miner's Outdoor Equipment

Motion by Kelly Braaten and seconded by Dean Meshke to approve the quote from Miner's Outdoor totaling \$24,181.15 for new equipment. Motion carried with a roll call vote. (7 Aye-Studer, Meshke, Hulloper, Sunde, Stoen, Krell, Braaten/0 Nay)

VII. ITEMS OF INFORMATION AND/OR DISCUSSION ONLY

A. 2026-27 Calendar

Mr. Staloch provided updates. The calendar will be voted on next month.

B. Comprehensive Achievement and Civic Readiness

Mr. Staloch presented an update.

C. Building Project Financial Report

Mr. Staloch gave an update on the elementary roofing.

D. Committee Reports

A committee report was given for the following committees: Buildings and Grounds/Facilities, Education Foundation, and Policy.

E. Enrollment Data

Enrollment for the 2025-26 school year per JMC as of November 11, 2025 was 318 at the elementary school (grades K-4) and 532 at the intermediate/high school (grades 5-12) with approximately 21 PSEO students.

F. Dates to Note

November 13	School Board Work Session at 6:00 a.m.
November 17	School Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
November 25	Parent/Teacher Conferences K-6 3:30-7:30 p.m.
November 26	No School for Students K-12 Teacher Inservice Grades 7-12 Parent/Teacher Conferences K-6 8:00-11:30 a.m.
November 27	Thanksgiving Break
November 28	Thanksgiving Break
December 11	School Board Work Session at 6:00 a.m.
December 15	School Board Meeting at 5:00 p.m.
December 23	Teacher Inservice – Students dismissed at 12:45 p.m.
December 24-Jan 2	Christmas Holiday Break

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT OR BOARD MEMBER ITEMS

-Thank you to Gina Hendrickson for all her years of coaching.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Jon Sunde and seconded by Dean Meshke to adjourn the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

Motion carried. (7 Aye/0 Nay)

Tentatively, the next Regular School Board Work Session will be held on Thursday, December 11 at 6:00 a.m. in the High School Board Room.

Tentatively, the next Regular School Board Meeting will be on Monday, December 15, 2025, at 5:15 p.m. in the High School Media Center. (Open Forum begins at 5:00 p.m.).

A complete copy of the official minutes may be found in their entirety in the official minute book located in the superintendent's office at the high school; however, they will not be available until approved by the School Board.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melissa Stoen
Clerk of the School Board
Independent School District #756
Blooming Prairie, Minnesota