

**REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #756
BLOOMING PRAIRIE, MINNESOTA
AUGUST 17, 2026**

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, August 17, 2026, at 7:15 p.m. (Open Forum at 7:00 p.m.)

OPEN FORUM – Patty Mueller came as a current representative to bring awareness to the upcoming proposed constitutional amendment to the “permanent school fund” on the November 2026 ballot. She also provided awareness to additional legislative discussions in 2026.

I. CALL TO ORDER – CHAIRPERSON

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

ALSO PRESENT: Superintendent of Schools, High School Principal,
& Elementary Principal

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jon Sunde

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Kelly Braaten and seconded by Crystal Studer to approve the agenda as presented.
Motion carried. (6 Aye/0 Nay)

V. PRINCIPAL REPORTS

Reports given by Mr. Schwarz and Ms. Mach.

VI. ITEMS ON WHICH BOARD ACTION IS REQUESTED

A. Minutes, Bills, Treasurer’s Report, Resignations/Terminations, Leaves, and Donations

Motion by Melissa Stoen and seconded by Kelly Braaten to approve items in the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried. (6 Aye/0 Nay)

B. Handbooks

Motion by Melissa Stoen and seconded by Brady Hullopeter to approve the annually reviewed handbooks. Motion carried. (6 Aye/0 Nay)

C. Policies

-Motion by Crystal Studer and seconded by Dean Meshke to approve the annually reviewed policies. No updates were made to any of those policies. Motion carried. (6 Aye/0 Nay)

-Motion by Kelly Braaten and seconded by Dean Meshke to approve the other policies that were attached for review. The two that had updates were the Cell Phone & Earpiece policies.
Motion carried. (6 Aye/0 Nay)

D. Meal Prices

Motion by Melissa Stoen and seconded by Crystal Studer to approve the proposed 2026-27 meal prices. There were slight increases from the 2025-26 school year. Motion carried. (6 Aye/0 Nay)

E. Allina Health Contract

Motion by Melissa Stoen and seconded by Brady Hullopeter to approve the Allina Health Contract. There were no changes from the 2025-26 school year. Motion carried. (6 Aye/0 Nay)

VII. ITEMS OF INFORMATION AND/OR DISCUSSION ONLY

A. Building Project Financial Report

The roofing project at the elementary is currently being worked on.

B. Committee Reports

None at this time.

C. Enrollment Data

Enrollment for the 2025-26 school year per JMC as of May 29, 2026 was 319 at the elementary school (grades K-4) and 522 at the intermediate/high school (grades 5-12) with approximately 21 PSEO students.

D. Dates to Note

August 13	School Board Work Session at 6:00 a.m.
August 17	School Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m.
August 17-21	Flexible Teacher Work Day
August 24-27	Teacher Inservice
August 26	Int/HS Open House & Elementary Back to School Conferences
Sept 1	First Day of School for 5-12
Sept 2	First Day of School for K-4
Sept 17	School Board Work Session at 6:00 a.m.
Sept 21	School Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

VIII. SUPERINTENDENT OR BOARD MEMBER ITEMS

- Tuesday August 25th is the welcome back breakfast for faculty, admin, and school board members.
- Leadership training today for Mr. Dibble, Mr. Schwarz, and Mr. Staloch with Josh Lichty and Cindra Kamphoff.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Dean Meshke and seconded by Melissa Stoen to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 p.m. Motion carried. (6 Aye/0 Nay)

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,

Crystal Studer
Clerk of the School Board
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Blooming Prairie, Minnesota