



RIVER BEND EDUCATION DISTRICT

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Board Minutes
Tuesday, April 28, 2026

Members present: Darla Remus, Ashley Latzke, Ken Briese, Ryan Lais, Richard Spitzner, Shannon Sykes, Melissa Sunderman

Members absent:

Others present: Doug Hazen, Bradley Carlton, Katie Wheelock, and Joe Ness

Chairperson Darla Remus called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Motion by Melissa Sunderman, second by Ryan Lais to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Shannon Sykes, second by Ashley Latzke to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Ken Briese, second by Rich Spitzner to approve the financial reports as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Motion by Shannon Sykes, second by Melissa Sunderman to approve the 2025-2026 Revised River Bend Budget. Motion carried 7-0.

Director Doug Hazen, Program updated the Board on General Information and Katie Wheelock updated the Board on programs and services.

Consent Agenda - Personnel
New Hires
Molly Zackrison, Psychologist for the 26-27 School Year
Emily Seppmann, Imprints Teacher for the 26-27 School Year.
Jennifer Grant Malwitz, Raptor Teacher for the 26-27 School Year
Jessica Dowd, Raptor Teacher for the 26-27 School Year
Charlotte Hoffman, RISE Teacher, starting in the 26-27 School Year.
Approval of Memorandum of Understanding to remove the \$1850 Health Plan
MN Paid Leave
Jada Kizer – requested paid leave /FMLA for birth of a child April 13 through July 6, 2026
Megan Steffl – requested Paid Leave for bonding time with a child March 26 through May 21, 2026
Natasha Tierney – requested MN Paid Leave for the birth of a child February 17 through April 27, 2026

Motion by Melissa Sunderman, second by Ahsley Latzke to approve Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for May 26, 2026

The meeting was adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

Paula Williamson
Accountant