

**Board Meeting Minutes  
November 7, 2019**

The Board of Education of Independent School District No. 299, Caledonia, Minnesota, met in a special school board meeting in the middle/high school auditorium. The meeting was called to order by Chair Kelley McGraw at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was said. The school board members present were Matt Blocker, Emily McGonigle, Kelley McGraw, Wendy Woyczik, and Superintendent Craig Ihrke. Absent were Directors Jared Barnes, Melissa Marschall, and Spencer Yohe.

**EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR COMMITTEE DISCUSSION**

The Board of Education, the Extended School Year Calendar Committee, and community members in attendance held an informational meeting relating to the extended school year. The purpose of this was to inform and ask any questions the public may have as it relates to the school district continuing their discussions about possibly starting school prior to Labor Day or after Labor Day. Superintendent Ihrke shared with everyone two working calendars for the 2020-2021 school year along with the survey results that parents/community members, students and staff participated in asking which calendar option they would prefer. One option would be to keep using a traditional calendar that would start school for students after Labor Day and would end after Memorial Day without any significant breaks during the school year. The other option would be to start school for students prior to Labor Day; but after the Houston County Fair, and would end prior to Memorial Day with a week-long spring break. A good discussion was held between everyone in attendance. A recommendation will be brought forth to the Board of Education from the Extended School Year Calendar Committee at the November or December regular school board meeting as it relates to the 2020-2021 school calendar.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Wendy Woyczik, seconded by Emily McGonigle to adjourn the meeting at 6:22 p.m. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

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Spencer Yohe, Clerk