

NORTHLAND LEARNING CENTER

Joint Powers Board Agenda

Regular Meeting

April 16, 2025

10:00 am

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Meeting ID: 810 1028 2784

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A. Call to Order

B. Roll Call

1. Chris Lindholm will attend via Zoom from his office at the Cook County School
2. Beth Shermoen will attend via Zoom from his office at the International Falls School
3. Anne Oelke will attend via Zoom from her office at Ely School

C. Approve Agenda

D. CONSENT AGENDA

- D.1 Minutes from March 19, 2025, Regular meeting
- D.2 Contract: Speech Partners 25-26
- D.3 Contract: Soliant, Rachel Partis, Virtual School Psychologist
- D.4 Contract: Soliant, Dequita Crockett, Deaf Hard of Hearing Teacher
- D.5 New Hire: Casey Smith, Paraprofessional
- D.6 New Hire: Elizabeth Stahl, Custodian
- D.7 New Hire: Samantha Warren, Elementary Focus Teacher
- D.8 New Hire: Hailey Becker, 2025-2026 Speech Language Pathologist
- D.9 New Hire: Ali Herring, 2025-2026 Speech Language Pathologist
- D.10 New Hire: Abby Maki, 2025-2026 Speech Language Pathologist Assistant
- D.11 Resignation: Christa Clark, Special Education Coordinator, effective 4/18/25

E. ACTION ITEMS

- E.1 Approve: ICS bid issuing contracts

F. DISCUSSION/INFORMATION

- F.1 Building update

H. Director's Report

H.1 NLC Enrollment

I. Adjournment – Next meeting: May 21, 2025

COMMENTS

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Ms. Smith was previously employed at Brandie's Little Bear Day Care as a teacher. Her salary will reflect 100% mark on the Paraprofessional position on AFSCME contract (\$21.39)

D.6 New Hire: Elizabeth Stahl, Custodian

Ms. Stahl previously worked at Target as Food and Beverage Team Leader. Her salary will reflect the 85% mark of the Custodial position on the AFSCME Contract.

D.7 New Hire: Samantha Warren, Elementary Focus Teacher 2025-2026

Ms. Warren is currently working at Mesabi East as a Special Education Teacher. Ms. Warren received her Bachelor's in Elementary Education at Bemidji State University and is currently working on her master's in special education at Concordia University. Her salary will reflect BA Step 7 on the Teacher's Union Contract.

D.8 New Hire: Hailey Becker, 2025-2026 Speech Language Pathologist

Ms. Becker is currently working as a SLP at Choice Therapy Pediatrics. She has obtained her master's in communication sciences and disorders from University of Minnesota Duluth. Her salary will reflect MA Step 9 on the Teacher's Union Contract.

D.9 New Hire: Ali Herring, 2025-2026 Speech Language Pathologist

Ms. Herring currently works as a SLP at Choice Therapy Pediatrics. She has obtained her Communication Sciences and

Disorders from University of Minnesota Duluth. Her salary will reflect MA Step 8 on the Teacher's Union Contract.

D.10 New Hire: Abby Maki, 2025-2026 Speech Language Pathologist Assistant
Ms. Maki is currently working as a Paraprofessional in Ely. Her salary will reflect as a SLPA 90% mark on the AFSCME contract.

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