

School Board Meeting Minutes
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #912
MILACA, MINNESOTA 56353
Monday, June 15, 2026 6:00 pm
ALC

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 912, Milaca, Minnesota, was held in the ALC on Monday, June 15, 2026, for the purpose of discussing board business.

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Chairperson Aimee Struffert.

Upon roll call, the following members were present: Jennifer Corrow, Jere Day, Caity Eggen, Sara Grieser, Sara Larsen, Nathan Neuhart, Aimee Struffert. The Superintendent, David Wedin, was also present.

Changes to Agenda:

VIII. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

D. Personnel Items

New Positions/Change in Assignment/Replacement

43. Hire Alexander Bradley, Assistant Marching Band Percussion (replacing Charlie Cooper), \$2,370.83, effective June 1, 2026 - *addition*

Motion by N. Neuhart, second by S. Grieser, to approve the agenda. Motion carried, 7:0.

Public Forum

No one spoke at Public Forum.

Presentations

2025-2026 Revised Budget and 2026-2027 Original Budget Presentation given by Christina Wordes, Business Manager.

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Motion by C. Eggen, second by S. Larsen, to approve the consent agenda:

- Approval of the minutes from the May 18, 2026 Regular Board Meeting
- Approval of May checks and wires
- Approval of transfer from PMA/MN Trust to First National Bank: \$250,000.00 on May 6, 2026, \$800,000.00 on May 14, 2026, and \$750,000.00 on May 28, 2026.
- Hire Bennett Follmuth, Seasonal Grounds Worker, up to 20 hours per week, \$14.00 per hour, effective May 26, 2026 - August 28, 2026
- Hire/accept notice of assignment with Eli Bengson, Summer Kids Town Aide, up to 20 hours per week, \$14.00 per hour, effective June 1, 2026 - August 21, 2026.
- Hire/accept notice of assignment with Alexa Anderson, Summer Kids Town Aide, up to 40 hours per week, \$14.35 per hour, effective June 1, 2026 - August 21, 2026
- Hire/accept notice of assignment with Alyssa Westling, Summer Kids Town Aide, up to 40 hours per week, \$14.35 per hour, effective May 26, 2026 - August 21, 2026
- Hire/accept notice of assignment with Jesse Hadrava, Summer Kids Town Aide, up to 35 hours per week, \$14.35 per hour, effective May 26, 2026 - August 21, 2026
- Hire/accept notice of assignment with Chelsey Holland, Summer Kids Town Aide, up to 34 hours per week, \$14.65 per hour, effective May 26, 2026 - August 21, 2026
- Hire/accept notice of assignment with Lauren Mycue, Summer Kids Town Aide, up to 40 hours per week, \$14.65 per hour, effective May 26, 2026 - August 21, 2026
- Hire/accept notice of assignment with Teresa Nelson, Summer Kids Town Aide, up to 20 hours per week, \$14.50 per hour, effective May 26, 2026 - August 21, 2026
- Hire/accept notice of assignment with Christine Torkelson, Summer Kids Town Aide, up to 10 hours per week, \$14.35 per hour, effective May 26, 2026 - August 21, 2026
- Hire/accept notice of assignment with Ashley Hemsworth, Summer Kids Town Aide, up to 10 hours per week, \$14.00 per hour, effective June 2, 2026 - August 21, 2026
- Hire/accept notice of assignment with Kyleigh Muzik, Summer Kids Town Aide, up to 15 hours per week, \$14.00 per hour, effective June 1, 2026 - August 21, 2026
- Hire Ellianna Schendel, Summer Preschool Classroom Assistant, up to 52 total hours, \$12.00 per hour, effective July 21, 2026 - August 6, 2026
- Hire Paula Borst, Part-time Class I Cleaner, 20 hours per week, \$16.43 per hour, effective May 26, 2026
- Hire Danielle Mathson, Homebound Teacher, up to 10 total hours, \$30.00 per hour, effective May 11, 2026 - May 22, 2026

- Hire Ashley Schmidtbauer, Summer ESY Paraprofessional, up to 54 total hours, \$20.17 per hour, effective June 2, 2026 - June 25, 2026
- Hire Emily Arens, Summer ESY Paraprofessional, up to 54 total hours, \$16.57 per hour, effective June 2, 2026 - June 25, 2026
- Hire Tracy Schmitz, Summer ESY Paraprofessional, up to 66 total hours, \$18.67 per hour, effective June 2, 2026 - June 25, 2026
- Hire Nickolas Schmitz, Summer ESY Paraprofessional, up to 72 total hours, \$16.57 per hour, effective June 2, 2026 - June 25, 2026
- Hire Nicole Hoffman, Summer ESY Teacher, up to 58 total hours, \$32.00 per hour, effective June 2, 2026 - June 25, 2026
- Hire Mary Strohmayer, Summer Targeted Services Teacher, up to 35 total hours, \$32.00 per hour, effective June 2, 2026 - June 11, 2026
- Hire David Grilz, Summer Targeted Services Teacher, up to 35 total hours, \$32.00 per hour, effective June 16, 2026 - June 25, 2026
- Hire Samantha Stuckey, ALC Summer Session Teacher, up to 54 total hours, \$32.00 per hour, effective June 1, 2026 - June 18, 2026
- Hire Chesney Bell, Water Safety Instructor, hours based on need, \$14.00 per hour, effective June 1, 2026
- Hire Chesney Bell, Lifeguard, hours based on need, \$12.00 per hour, effective June 1, 2026
- Hire Madalyn Jergens, Water Safety Instructor, hours based on need, \$14.00 per hour, effective June 1, 2026
- Hire Madalyn Jergens, Lifeguard, hours based on need, \$12.00 per hour, effective June 1, 2026
- Accept change in assignment with Kennedy Burroughs, Water Safety Instructor, hours based on need, from \$14.00 per hour to \$14.50 per hour, effective June 8, 2026
- Accept change in assignment with Kennedy Burroughs, Lifeguard, hours based on need, from \$11.46 per hour to \$12.25 per hour, effective June 8, 2026
- Accept change in assignment with Jackson Burroughs, Water Safety Instructor, hours based on need, from \$14.00 per hour to \$14.50 per hour, effective June 8, 2026
- Accept change in assignment with Jackson Burroughs, Lifeguard, hours based on need, from \$11.46 per hour to \$12.25 per hour, effective June 8, 2026
- Accept change in assignment with Addison Vivant, Water Safety Instructor, hours based on need, from \$12.50 per hour to \$14.00 per hour, effective June 1, 2026
- Accept change in assignment with Addison Vivant, Lifeguard, hours based on need, from \$11.46 per hour to \$12.00 per hour, effective June 1, 2026
- Hire Meghan Hermanson, Summer ECFE Coordinator, up to 20 hours per week, \$32.00 per hour, effective May 28, 2026 - August 28, 2026
- Hire Andrea Swenson, Summer ECFE Teacher, up to 75 total hours, \$32.00 per hour, effective June 9, 2026 - July 30, 2026
- Hire Krystal Forbord, School Readiness Summer Camp Teacher, up to 52 total hours, \$32.00 per hour, effective July 21, 2026 - August 6, 2026
- Hire Kim Wendt, Summer B-2 Home, up to 30 hours per week, \$47.90 per hour, effective June 1, 2026 - August 30, 2026
- Hire Renee Nash, Summer B-2 Home, up to 15 hours per week, \$55.05 per hour, effective June 1, 2026 - August 30, 2026
- Hire Betsy Wall, Summer B-2 Home, up to 37.5 hours per week, \$60.06 per hour, effective June 1, 2026 - August 30, 2026
- Hire Debi Gerrard, 1/2 Elementary Mentor Teacher, \$1,854.23, effective 2025-2026 school year
- Hire Shannon Lepper, 1/2 Elementary Mentor Teacher, \$1,854.23, effective 2025-2026 school year
- Hire Rich McCallum, High School Teacher (replacing Laura Braun), BA+40, Step 14, 1.0 FTE, \$84,484.00, effective August 25, 2026
- Hire Benjamin Paro, High School Teacher (replacing Andrew Nelson), MA, Step 12, 1.0 FTE, \$65,437.00, effective August 25, 2026
- Hire Alexander Bradley, Assistant Marching Band Percussion (replacing Charlie Cooper), \$2,370.83, effective June 1, 2026
- Accept the resignation of Ronald Struffert, PT Class 1 Custodian, effective June 1, 2026
- Scheduled Review of Policies:
 - Policy 407 - Employee Right to Know - Exposure to Hazardous Substances
 - Policy 408 - Subpoena of a School District Employee
 - Policy 409 - Employee Publications, Instructional Materials Inventions, and Creations
 - Policy 412 - Expense Reimbursement
 - Policy 720 - Vending Machines
 - Policy 798 - Unpaid Meal Charge and Debt Collection
 - Policy 799 - Post Issuance Debt Compliance Policy
 - Policy 901 - Community Education
 - Policy 902 - Use of School District Facilities and Equipment
 - Policy 903 - Visitors to School District Buildings and Sites
 - Policy 904 - Distribution of Materials on School District Property by Nonschool Persons

- Policy 905 - Advertising
 - First Reading and Approval of Policies with minor/legal changes in compliance with legislative updates
 - Policy 906 - Community Notification of Predatory Offenders
 - Approval of the 2026-2027 Minnesota School Board Association Membership, \$7,094.00
- Motion carried, 7:0.

Items on Which Board Discussion and Action is Requested

Motion by N. Neuhart, second by J. Day, to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried, 7:0.

Motion by J. Corrow to approve the following resolution:

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF GIFTS/DONATIONS

WHEREAS, School Board Policy #706 establishes guidelines for the acceptance of gifts/donations to the District; and
 WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 465.03 states the School Board may accept a gift, grant or devise of real or personal property only by the adoption of a resolution approved by two-thirds of its members; and
 BE IT RESOLVED that the School Board of Independent School District No. 912 accept with appreciation the following gifts/donations and permit their use as designated by the donor(s).

Date	From	Site	Item/Nature of Donation/Gift	Value/Amount
May 2026	Federated Co-ops, Inc.	Milaca High School - Student Services Office	2026 Federated Co-ops Scholarship	\$2,000.00

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by C. Eggen and upon vote being taken thereon the following voted in favor thereof: J. Corrow, J. Day, C. Eggen, S. Grieser, S. Larsen, N. Neuhart, A. Struffert, and the following voted against the same: none, whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Motion by N. Neuhart to approve the Resolution Relating to the Election of School Board Members and Calling the School District General Election. The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by S. Larsen and upon vote being taken thereon the following voted in favor thereof: J. Corrow, J. Day, C. Eggen, S. Grieser, S. Larsen, N. Neuhart, A. Struffert, and the following voted against the same: none, whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Motion by C. Eggen to approve the Resolution Calling a Special Election to Fill a School Board Vacancy. The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by J. Corrow and upon vote being taken thereon the following voted in favor thereof: J. Corrow, J. Day, C. Eggen, S. Grieser, S. Larsen, N. Neuhart, A. Struffert, and the following voted against the same: none, whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Motion by J. Day, second by C. Eggen, to approve the 2025-2027 Activities Director/Dean Contract. Motion carried, 7:0.

Motion by N. Neuhart, second by S. Grieser, to approve the 2025-2027 Principal Contract. Motion carried 7:0.

Motion by C. Eggen, second by N. Neuhart, to approve the Revised FY26 Budget. Motion carried 7:0.

Motion by N. Neuhart, second by J. Corrow, to approve the FY27 Budget. Motion carried 7:0.

Motion by J. Day to adopt the resolution certifying the population estimate for the 2026 payable 2027 levy of Independent School District #912. The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by S. Grieser, and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: J. Corrow, J. Day, C. Eggen, S. Grieser, S. Larsen, N. Neuhart, A. Struffert, and the following voted against the same: none, whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Motion by S. Larsen to adopt the 2026-2027 resolution for membership in the Minnesota State High School League. The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by J. Corrow and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof: J. Corrow, J. Day, C. Eggen, S. Grieser, S. Larsen, N. Neuhart, A. Struffert, and the following voted against the same: none, whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Board Member Items

Condolences were expressed for the passing of Elementary Teacher, Benjamin Huhta.

Motion by J. Corrow, second by C. Eggen, to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:57 p.m. Motion carried 7:0.

Respectfully submitted,

 Chairperson	<u>July 20, 2026</u> Date
 Clerk	<u>July 20, 2026</u> Date