

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE MENOMONIE AREA
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE CENTER
215 PINE AVENUE E, MENOMONIE, WI
MONDAY, AUGUST 11, 2025, 5:45 P.M.**

I. OPENING ITEMS

- A. Call to Order** – President Rachel Henderson called the meeting of the Board of Education of the School District of the Menomonie Area to order at 5:45 p.m. on Monday, August 11, 2025, in the boardroom at the Administrative Service Center, 215 Pine Avenue E., Wisconsin.
- B. Roll Call and Quorum** – Roll call showed eight board members present: Amy Riddle-Swanson, Dominique Stewart, Angela Wolf, Abe Smith, Emily Hines, Rachel Henderson, and Michelle Dupree. Amber Kersting appeared via telephone. Dale Dahlke was absent. President Henderson declared a quorum and noted that the meeting had been duly noticed. The administrators in attendance were Joe Zydowsky, Samantha Hoyt, Tonia Kowieski, Brian Seguin, Eric Nelson, Katie Krueger, Stacy Lee, Matt Riley, and Mike Kennedy. Also, in attendance was recording Secretary Jenny Mikesell, and videographer Steve Hanson. Electors and others registering in attendance included Josie Pillman and Joyce Uhlir.
- C. Pledge of Allegiance Reading of Mission Statement-** Henderson led the Pledge of Allegiance and read the district's mission statement.
- D. Agenda Order and Approval/Revision** – The agenda was approved as presented.
- E. Community Communications** - Community member Josie Pillman addressed the board on her topic of concern.
- F. Revenue and Expenditure Reports for the Month Ended July 2025-** The board reviewed the monthly Revenue and Expenditure Reports for July 2025.
- G. Monthly Employment Report (July 2025)-** The board reviewed the monthly non-certified staff employment report for July 2025.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Action to Approve Consent Agenda-** Smith made a motion, seconded by Hines to approve the following consent agenda items as presented: 1) Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of July 14, 2025, and Minutes of Special Board Meeting of July 28, 2025; 2) Financial Reports for July 2025; and 3) Donations Exceeding \$1,000 for July 2025. The motion passed 8-0 by electronic vote.

III. PERSONNEL CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Action to Approve Personnel Consent Agenda–** Riddle-Swanson made a motion, seconded by Smith, to approve the following personnel actions, as presented: 1) The employment of Janet Shaw, Special Education Teacher at River Heights Elementary School, effective August 13, 2025. The motion passed unanimously by electronic vote.

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS/POLICY REVIEW

- A. Review 2025-2026 Back-to-School Plans-** The board reviewed the schedule of upcoming dates and planned Back-to-School activities.
- B. Community Education Report-** Matt Riley, Director of Community Education, presented the annual Community Education Report, which included program and participation data, an overview of recreation classes offered, and financial information.

- C. Athletics and Activities Report-** Matt Riley, Director of Athletics and Activities, presented the annual Athletics and Activities Report, which included a comprehensive breakdown of all sports, Big Rivers Conference (BRC) standings, and notable team and individual achievements. The report also highlighted the full range of activities and organizations available at MHS, along with a detailed analysis of program expenditures.
- D. Review Policy 371.1- Exhibit, District-Sponsored Student Activities and Organizations-** Matt Riley shared revisions to Policy 371.1- Exhibit, District-Sponsored Student Activities.
- E. Legal Services Report-** The board reviewed the annual Legal Services Report, which included legal expenditures, and advisory services rendered to the district.
- F. Review Revisions to Policy 441.5 Student Conduct on School Buses (First Reading)-** The district currently maintains two separate rules related to student transportation. After a collaborative review of Policy 441.4 – *Student Conduct on School Buses* by the bus company and building principals, revisions to the policy are being recommended. The proposed update consolidates the existing rules into a single, comprehensive rule titled 441.5 – *Student Conduct on School Buses*.
- G. Review Policy 823-Exhibit, Access to Public Records: Public Records Notice and Fee Schedule-** The Board reviewed a revised version of Policy 832 - Exhibit, which included an updated list of public school officials to reflect the current roster of Board members and SDMA administrators. The policy will be added to the Board Reports Calendar for annual review each April.
- H. Discuss District Work Plan for 2025-26-** The board reviewed the work plan and will consider approving it at the next scheduled meeting.
- I. Items Related to Next Meeting Dates, Board Committees, and Reports-** New Teacher Orientation August 13-14, 2025. Professional Development for Staff August 19-21, 2025. Professional Development on August 25, 2025. Special School Board Meeting and Annual Meeting on August 25, 2025, starting at TBD, MHS. Meet & Greet Day on August 26, 2025. First Day of School on August 27, 2025. 4K First Day with Bussing on August 28, 2025.

VI. ADJOURNMENT-

- A. Action to Adjourn-** At 6:59 pm, Henderson made a motion, seconded by Smith, to adjourn the meeting.

/s/Dominique Stewart

Dominique Stewart, Clerk

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Minutes Approved: September 8, 2025