

**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, OCTOBER 13, 2025, 5:45 P.M.**

I. OPENING ITEMS

- A. Call to Order** – President Rachel Henderson called the meeting of the School District of the Menomonie Area Board of Education to order at 5:45 p.m. on Monday, October 13, 2025. The meeting was held in the boardroom of the Administrative Service Center, located at 215 Pine Avenue E., Menomonie, Wisconsin.
- B. Roll Call and Quorum** – Roll call confirmed the presence of nine board members: Amy Riddle-Swanson, Angela Wolf, Abe Smith, Emily Hines, Rachel Henderson, Michelle Dupree, Amber Kersting, Dale Dahlke, and Dominique Stewart were absent. President Henderson declared a quorum and noted that the meeting had been duly noticed. Administrators in attendance included Joe Zydowsky, Samantha Hoyt, Tonia Kowieski, Brian Seguin, Eric Nelson, Katie Krueger, Keila Drout, Shannon Branch, Casey Drake, and Jason Mountin. Also present were recording Secretary Jenny Mikesell and videographer Steve Hanson. Electors and other registered attendees included Josie Pillman, Joyce Uhlir, Allen Crowe, Mike Cooper, and Lucy Rudenborg.
- C. Pledge of Allegiance and Reading of Mission Statement** – President 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, with no revisions.
- E. Recommendations & Commendations** – Officer Jeff Small was recognized for his service as a School Resource Officer.
- F. Highlight on Youth** – The Board reviewed the October *Highlight on Youth* slide presentation.
- G. Student Representative Communications** – The Board received an update on recent and upcoming activities at Menomonie High School.
- H. Community Communications** - Josie Pillman and Mike Cooper, members of the community, addressed the board with their concerns.
- I. Revenue and Expenditure Reports for the Month Ended June 2025 and September 2025-** The board reviewed the monthly Revenue and Expenditure Reports for June 2025 and September 2025.
- J. Monthly Employment Report (September 2025)-** The board reviewed the monthly non-certified staff employment report for September 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 September 8, 2025, and Special Board Meeting of September 22, 2025; 2) Financial Reports for September 2025; 3) Donations Exceeding \$1,000 for September 2025; and 4) Wakanda Safety Drill Report, as presented. The motion passed 9-0 by electronic vote.

III. PERSONNEL CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Action to Approve Personnel Consent Agenda** – There were no personnel consent agenda items presented for approval at this time.

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS/POLICY REVIEW

- A. Presentation of 2025 School Perceptions Staff Survey** – The Board received an overview of the 2025 School Perceptions Staff Survey results. Consultant Daren Sievers shared that the results were very good with the district showing growth in nearly all questions since the last time the survey was administered in 2022. District administration is actively developing specific goals and action plans, particularly focusing on technology support and professional development.
- B. Review of 2025 State Assessment Report** – Brian Seguin, Assistant Superintendent of Instruction shared the SDMA State Assessment Overview for 2025. Overall proficiency within the SDMA has improved in English Language Arts, Math, Science, and Social Studies compared to the past two assessment years across all grades.
- C. Review Building School Learning Objectives (SLO) Report** – At the end of the 2024-2025 school year, building teams established academic goals for 2025-2026 based on data review. Assistant Superintendent Seguin shared these goals and local screening assessment information with the Board. Action plans will be monitored throughout the year.
- D. Review Early College Credit Requests for Spring 2026** – The Board received an update on Early College Credit and Technical College Course Program requests for Spring 2026. Students in grades 9-12 may enroll in up to two courses through these programs, though many requests multiple courses to ensure backup options if preferred classes fill. Recent enrollment data shows 104 requests from 35 students for Spring 2026, reflecting ongoing demand consistent with previous terms.
- E. Review Final Budget Revisions for 2024-2025** – Director of Business Services Eric Nelson shared the final 2024-2025 budget revisions, aligning accounts with year-end figures and including the approved \$3.5 million transfer to Fund 46 for accurate financial reporting. Board approval is scheduled for October 27.
- F. Review 2025-2026 Budget Timeline** – Nelson reviewed the 2025–26 budget timeline, noting that Board approval of the budget and tax levy is scheduled for October 27.
- G. Discuss 2026 Health Insurance Renewal** - The Board received an update on the 2026 health insurance renewal, with a recommendation to renew the current plan with no changes or premium increase. Board action is expected at the October 27 meeting.
- H. Items Related to Next Meeting Dates, Board Committees, and Reports-** Health/Medical Committee Meeting, October 23, 2025, 3:50 pm, ASC. Special Board Meeting, October 27, 2025, 5:45 pm, ASC. WASB Regional Meeting, October 28, 2025. Regular Board Meeting, November 10, 2025, 5:45 pm, ASC. The Special Board Meeting on November 24, 2025, is canceled. Thanksgiving Break- No school for staff and students November 24-28, 2025.

V. ADJOURNMENT-

- A. Action to Adjourn** – The Board took a short recess at 7:32 pm before moving into a closed session.

/s/ Dominique Stewart

Dominique Stewart, Clerk

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Minutes Approved: November 10, 2025