

**SCHOOL DISTRICT OF THE MENOMONIE AREA
MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE CENTER
215 PINE AVENUE E, MENOMONIE, WISCONSIN
MONDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2025, 5:45 P.M.**

I. OPENING ITEMS

- A. Call to Order–** At 5:45 p.m. on Monday, October 27, 2025, President Rachel Henderson called to order the special meeting of the School District of the Menomonie Area Board of Education, held in the Board Room at the Administrative Service Center, Menomonie, Wisconsin.
- B. Roll Call and Quorum–** A roll call confirmed the presence of all nine Board members: Rachel Henderson, Amy Riddle-Swanson, Abe Smith, Emily Hines, Dale Dahlke, Michelle Dupree, and Amber Kersting, Angela Wolf, and Dominique Stewart. President Henderson declared that a quorum was present and verified that the meeting had been properly noticed. Administrators in attendance included Dr. Joe Zydowsky, Samantha Hoyt, Katie Krueger, Tonia Kowieski, Eric Nelson, Brian Seguin, Bart Boettcher, Keila Drout, and Casey Drake. Community members present were Allen Crowe, Natasha Bade, Josie Pillman, Joyce Uhler, Mike Cooper, and Victoria Johansen. Also, in attendance was Recording Secretary Jenny Mikesell and videographer Steve Hanson.
- C. Pledge of Allegiance and Reading of Mission Statement-** Rachel 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. Recommendations & Commendations-** River Heights Math Interventionist Tori Johansen will be recognized for her efforts in supporting the recent playground addition at River Heights Elementary School.
- F. Special Highlight on Youth-** Students from the middle school multicultural club will be sharing the Hmong Heritage Culture Kit along with Natasha Bade (EL Teacher) and Linda Her (parent and student teacher).
- G. Community Communications-** Josie Pillman and Mike Cooper each addressed the Board, speaking for three minutes on their respective topics of concern.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Action to Approve Consent Agenda–** Smith made a motion, seconded by Kersting, to approve the following Consent Agenda items, as presented: 1) River Heights Safety Drill; 2) Approval of recommended 2025-26 Staffing Plan Adjustment- to replace a Major Maintenance Position (becoming vacant at the end of 2025 due to a retirement) with an Assistant Director of Buildings and Grounds position. The motion passed unanimously.

III. PERSONAL CONSENT AGENDA- No personal consent agenda items were presented for approval.

IV. ACTION AGENDA

- A. Action to Approve 2026 Renewal of District Health Insurance-** Riddle-Swanson made a motion, seconded by Hines, to approve 2026 Renewal of District Health Insurance. The motion passed 9-0.
- B. Action to Final Budget Revisions for 2024-2025-** Smith made a motion, with a second by Dupree to Approve Final Budget Revisions for 2024-2025, as presented. The motion passed unanimously.
- C. Action to Approve Adoption of 2025-2026 Budget-** Dahlke made a motion, with a second by Stewart to approve Adoption of 2025-2026 Budget as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

- D. Action to Approve Certification of 2025-2026 Tax Levy-** Dupree made a motion, with a second by Kersting to approve the Certification of 2025-2026 Tax Levy, as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

V. DISCUSSION ITEMS/POLICY REVIEW

- A. Review MHS Course Offering Timeline-** Assistant Superintendent of Instruction Brian Seguin presented the MHS Course Offering Timeline and noted that any new course proposals will be brought to the Board for review in November.
- B. Review Quarterly Progress on District Work Plan-** The Board reviewed the District Work Plan, and Dr. Zydowsky, along with district directors, highlighted key accomplishments from the first quarter.
- C. Discuss WASB Board Development Tool-** The Board discussed the annual board development survey available through WASB and considered holding a board retreat later.
- D. Review of Extracurricular Staff Contract Requests-** The Board reviewed the monthly extracurricular contract requests.
- E. Review Items Related to Next Meeting Dates, Board Committees, and Reports-** October 28, 2025, WASB Regional Meeting, Eau Claire. November 10, 2025, Regular School Board Meeting, 5:45 pm, ASC. November 24, 2025, Special School Board Meeting is canceled. November 24-28, 2025, No School for Students and Staff.

VI. ADJOURNMENT-

- A. Action to Adjourn-** At 7:05 pm, Henderson made a motion, seconded by Stewart to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

/s/Dominique Stewart

Dominique Stewart, Clerk

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Minutes Approved: November 10, 2025