

SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 77
Mankato, Minnesota

October 4, 2021

The School Board of Independent School District No. 77 met in regular session on Monday, October 4, in the Mankato Room at the Intergovernmental Center. Chair Sapp called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Members present at roll call: Christopher Kind, Liz Ratcliff, Kenneth A. Reid, Erin Roberts, Jodi Sapp, Kristi Schuck and Darren Wacker. Absent: None.

Ms. Schuck made a motion, and Ms. Roberts seconded, approval of the agenda together with a Personnel Addendum. The motion carried on a 7-0 voice vote.

Open Forum: Linda Howe-Wensel, Anne Wilking, Shelley Leenhouts, Carma Carpenter, Rebecca Strom, Carol Schulz, Kevin Schulz, Sarah Scott, Brad Willodson, Ronald Schmidt, Kirsten Wagner, Martin Leenhouts, Sadredin Moosavi, Brianne Eldred, Annie Pitcher, Elizabeth Hanke, Jovan Latchman, Stacy Hvinden, John Wicklund, Ellen Koenigs, Trever Lageson spoke on equity and staff COVID testing.

Information Reports: COVID-19 Update presented by Scott Hogen; Board Member Workshop/Committee Reports.

The consent agenda items outlined below were approved on a motion by Mr. Reid, seconded by Ms. Schuck, and carried on a 7-0 roll call vote.

Approval of Minutes of the September 20, 2021, regular Board meeting.

Personnel:

APPOINTMENTS (NON-AFFILIATED)

Todd Kreilkamp - Operations & Culinary Specialist with Nutrition Services beginning October 11, 2021. This is a full-time, 12-month, Non-Affiliated position with an annual salary of \$50,000 (prorated to \$36,206.90 for 189 days) for 2021-22, and he will be eligible for category II benefits.

APPOINTMENTS (NON-INSTRUCTIONAL)

Sarah Barta - Non-Classroom (Lunchroom) Paraprofessional at Hoover Elementary School for 1 hour per day/5 days per week beginning September 10, 2021. She will be placed at classification B21, step 1, in accordance with the agreement between the District and Minnesota School Employee Association, with an hourly rate of \$13.73. This is in addition to her Media Assistant assignment at Hoover Elementary School.

Breanna Cashin - Middle School After School Youth Leader with Community Education at Prairie Winds Middle School for 2.5 hours per day/4 days per week beginning October 4, 2021. She will be compensated at the rate of \$11.25 per hour. This is in addition to her Non-Classroom (Playground) Paraprofessional assignment at Washington Elementary School.

Makena Dammer - ACES Child Care Assistant at Hoover Elementary School for 3 hours per day/4 days per week beginning October 4, 2021, and ending June 3, 2022. She will be compensated at the rate of \$11.00 per hour.

Aubrey Denney - Middle School After School Youth Leader with Community Education at Dakota Meadows Middle School for 2.5 hours per day/4 days per week beginning October 4, 2021. She will be compensated at the rate of \$11.00 per hour.

Emily Dukowitz - ACES Child Care Assistant at Roosevelt Elementary School for 3 hours per day/5 days per week beginning September 29, 2021, and ending June 3, 2022. She will be compensated at the rate of \$11.25 per hour.

Tammy Fienen - Middle School After School Youth Leader with Community Education at Prairie Winds Middle School for 2.5 hours per day/4 days per week beginning October 4, 2021. She will be compensated at the rate of \$11.00 per hour. This is in addition to her Special Education Paraprofessional assignment at Prairie Winds Middle School.

Sabrina Hanson - ACES Child Care Assistant at Hoover Elementary School for 3 hours per day/4 days per week beginning September 28, 2021, and ending June 3, 2022. She will be compensated at the rate of \$11.00 per hour.

Karlie Hodgman - ACES Child Care Assistant at Monroe Elementary School for 3 hours per day/5 days per week beginning September 30, 2021, and ending June 3, 2022. She will be compensated at the rate of \$11.00 per hour.

Alicia Jones - Cook Helper at Prairie Winds Middle School for 6.5 hours per day/5 days per week beginning September 29, 2021. She will be placed at classification A11, step 3, of the School Food Service Workers Association salary schedule, with an hourly rate of \$13.13.

Mariana Jordan - ACES Child Care Assistant at Roosevelt Elementary School for 5 hours per day/2 days per week beginning September 30, 2021, and ending June 3, 2022. She will be compensated at the rate of \$11.00 per hour.

Claire Julian - Title I Reading Intervention Paraprofessional at Kennedy Elementary School for 6 hours per day/5 days per week beginning September 10, 2021, and ending June 3, 2022. She will be placed at classification B21, step 1, in accordance with the agreement between the District and Minnesota School Employee Association, with an hourly rate of \$13.73.

Adam Krueger - Full-time, 8-Hour Evening Custodian at West High School beginning October 4, 2021. He will be placed at classification A13, step 2 of the Maintenance and Custodial Workers Association salary schedule, with an hourly rate of \$16.15.

Nathan Kuehn (Pete) - Middle School After School Youth Leader with Community Education at Dakota Meadows Middle School for 2.5 hours per day/4 days per week beginning October 4, 2021. He will be compensated at the rate of \$11.00 per hour.

Beau Lepper - Special Education DCD/ASD Intervention Paraprofessional at West High School for 6.75 hours per day/5 days per week beginning September 27, 2021. He will be placed at classification B21.5, step 2, in accordance with the agreement between the District and Minnesota School Employee Association, with an hourly rate of \$14.54.

Miriam Narowitz - Non-Classroom (Lunchroom) Paraprofessional at Eagle Lake Elementary School for 2 hours per day/5 days per week beginning September 10, 2021, and ending June 3, 2022. She will be placed at classification B21, step 1, in accordance with the agreement between the District and Minnesota School Employee Association, with an hourly rate of \$13.73.

Iveth Quiroz Rios - Childcare Aide at Lincoln Logs Learning Center for 6 hours per day/4 days per week beginning September 27, 2021. She will be compensated at the rate of \$14.11 per hour, and she will be eligible for 6-3-2 benefits.

Ashley Simmons - ACES Child Care Assistant at Kennedy Elementary School for 3-4 hours per day/5 days per week beginning September 30, 2021, and ending June 3, 2022. She will be compensated at the rate of \$11.00 per hour.

Skyler Skjervold - Full-time, 8-Hour Evening Custodian at West High School beginning October 4, 2021. He will be placed at classification A13, step 2 of the Maintenance and Custodial Workers Association salary schedule, with an hourly rate of \$16.15.

Aidan Toegel - Seasonal Lead Groundskeeper for 8 hours per day/5 days per week beginning October 8 and ending November 30, 2021. He will be placed at classification A13, step 2 of the Maintenance and Custodial Workers Association salary schedule with, an hourly rate of \$15.65.

Kristy Tokheim - Non-Classroom (Lunchroom) Paraprofessional at Roosevelt Elementary School for 3 hours per day/5 days per week beginning September 27, 2021. She will be placed at classification B21, step 1, in accordance with the agreement between the District and Minnesota School Employee Association, with an hourly rate of \$13.73.

Megan Trnovac - ACES Child Care Assistant at Roosevelt Elementary School for 3 hours per day/3 days per week beginning September 23, 2021, and ending June 3, 2022. She will be compensated at the rate of \$11.00 per hour.

CONTRACT ADJUSTMENTS (INSTRUCTIONAL)

Tammy Lorch - Decrease in assignment as part-time Parent Educator at the Family Learning Center from 86 annual hours (0.06 FTEs) to 61 annual hours (0.042 FTEs) beginning September 13, 2021.

Faith Schlecht - Decrease in assignment as part-time Early Childhood Teacher at the Family Learning Center from 611 annual hours (0.42 FTEs) to 586 annual hours (0.40 FTEs) beginning September 13, 2021. This is in addition to her Preschool Teacher assignment at the Early Childhood Center.

CONTRACT ADJUSTMENTS (NON-INSTRUCTIONAL)

Olivia Caster - Change in classification as Early Learning Special Education Paraprofessional at Franklin Elementary School from B21 to B21.5 beginning September 27, 2021. She will be placed at classification B21.5, step 1, in accordance with the agreement between the District and the Minnesota School Employee Association, with an hourly rate of \$14.14.

Stephanie Maas - Adjust start date to September 13, 2021, for her Special Education Paraprofessional (Job Coach) assignment increase at East/West High Schools.

Elder Romero Mujica - Adjust start date to September 13, 2021, for his EL Paraprofessional assignment at East High School.

Patricia Sjulstad (Patti) - Adjust start date to September 24, 2021, for her Special Education Health & Wellness Paraprofessional assignment at Dakota Meadows Middle School.

REQUESTS FOR SALARY LANE ADVANCEMENT (INSTRUCTIONAL)

In accordance with the terms of the agreement between the Mankato Teachers Association and the District, teachers have submitted their requests for salary lane advancement. Each of these requests has been reviewed and a list of those qualifying for salary lane advancement for September of the 2021-22 school year is shown below. The salary lane advancements will be retroactive to the beginning of the 2021-22 school year. The Administration recommends that the Board approve the salary lane advancements.

Name	From	To
Summer Boettcher	B	B+15
Cindy Borth	M	M+45
Tricia Conetta	M	M+30
David Evans	M+30	M+45
Makenzie Evans	B+30	M
Kelly Firkins	B+15	B+30
Heather Gilman	M	Specialist
Neely Hagedorn	B+15	B+30
Heather Hedin	B+30	M
Jenna Helget	M	M+30
Erica Hengel	B+30	M

Brittany Jensen	B+15	M
Molly Lout	B+15	B+30
Emily Lowry	M	M+30
Shelbi Morton	B	B+15
Sean O'Connell	B+30	M
Amanda Shaw	B+15	B+30
Chelsea Silvers	B+30	M
Mikala Simon	B+30	M
Amanda Sonnenfeld	M	Specialist
Abby Steffensmeier	M+30	M+45
Mary Jo Tischler	M	M+30
Jessica Waterstreet	B+30	M
Katie Wheelock	M+30	Specialist
Robbi Brooke Will	M	Specialist
Linnea Wilson	M	M+30
Peter Wittmer	B+15	M
Rebecca Zenk	B	B+15
Alicia Zimmer	M	M+30
Kristin Zimmerman	B+30	M

REQUESTS FOR LEAVE (INSTRUCTIONAL)

Kiersten Fennern - Special Education Teacher at Dakota Meadows Middle School, has requested leave under the provisions of the Family Medical Leave Act beginning January 12 and returning to work on March 25, 2022.

Jessica Kingston - 1st Grade Teacher at Rosa Parks Elementary School, has requested leave under the provisions of the Family Medical Leave Act beginning January 13 and returning to work on April 7, 2022.

REQUESTS FOR LEAVE (NON-INSTRUCTIONAL)

Alyssa Coughlin - Media Assistant at Franklin Elementary School, has requested unpaid leave beginning September 24 and returning to work on November 8, 2021.

Jaclyn Rademaker - Special Education Paraprofessional at Franklin Elementary School, has requested leave under the provisions of the Family Medical Leave Act beginning September 29 and returning to work on October 29, 2021.

RESIGNATIONS (NON-INSTRUCTIONAL)

Patti Elmer - Early Learning Regular Education Paraprofessional at Franklin Elementary School, has submitted her resignation. Her last date of employment will be October 7, 2021.

Ciara Flugum - ACES Child Care Assistant Substitute, has submitted her resignation. Her last date of employment will be September 24, 2021.

Amber Schenk - Health & Wellness Paraprofessional at Futures SUN, has submitted her resignation. Her last date of employment will be June 4, 2021.

Glen Shouts - Student Success Coach at East High School, has submitted his resignation. His last date of employment will be June 4, 2021.

TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT (NON-INSTRUCTIONAL)

Omot Okuot - Full-time, 8-Hour Evening Custodian at West High School, effective August 31, 2021.

Addendum

APPOINTMENTS (INSTRUCTIONAL)

Katie Orchard - Full-time (1.0 FTEs) Licensed School Nurse at West High School beginning October 6, 2021. She will be placed at step 6 of the B lane on the Teachers Association salary schedule.

The following will be teachers in the Central High Night School Program beginning October 5 and ending December 16, 2021. They will be compensated according to their placement on the Teachers Association salary schedule.

Frederick Berg, Thomas Boone, Jeremy Burger, David Burgess, Robert Groebner, Russell Groebner, Jeffery Helget, Laura Januschka Blasing, Crystal Kay, Amanda Knodel, TerRon Lee, Christina Makela, Aaron Miller, Sherry Miller, Sean O'Connell, Rebecca Sellers, Chelsea Silvers, Michael Sipe, Camielle Spielman, Daniel Toegel, Kristin Van Otterloo, Matthew Weichert, Anna Wirth, Christopher Wollmuth

APPOINTMENTS (NON-INSTRUCTIONAL)

Helen Adetunji - Non-Classroom (Playground/Lunchroom) Paraprofessional at Washington Elementary School for 1.75 hours per day/2 days per week beginning October 4, 2021. She will be placed at classification B21, step 1, in accordance with the agreement between the District and Minnesota School Employee Association, with an hourly rate of \$13.73.

Gorg Alhag - Student Success Coach at Prairie Winds Middle School for 7 hours per day/5 days per week beginning October 4, 2021. He will be placed at classification B22, step 1, in accordance with the agreement between the District and Minnesota School Employee Association, with an hourly rate of \$16.44.

Madonna Bengtson (Donna) - Early Learning Special Education Paraprofessional at Franklin Elementary School for 7 hours per day/4 days per week beginning October 13, 2021. She will be placed at classification B21, step 1, in accordance with the agreement between the District and Minnesota School Employee Association, with an hourly rate of \$13.73.

Brittany Enter - Special Education Health & Wellness Paraprofessional at Dakota Meadows Middle School for 6.75 hours per day/5 days per week beginning October 7, 2021. She will be placed at classification B22.5, step 1, in accordance with the agreement between the District and Minnesota School Employee Association, with an hourly rate of \$16.95.

Lydia Hoikka - ACES Child Care Assistant at Hoover Elementary School for 3 hours per day/4 days per week beginning October 4, 2021, and ending June 3, 2022. She will be compensated at the rate of \$11.25 per hour.

Jiokthiang (JT) - Full-time, 8-Hour Evening Custodian at Prairie Winds Middle School beginning October 11, 2021. He will be placed at classification A13, step 2, of the Maintenance and Custodial Workers Association salary schedule, with an hourly rate of \$16.15.

Dominick Johnston - ACES Child Care Assistant at Bridges Community School for 3 hours per day/4 days per week beginning October 5, 2021, and ending June 3, 2022. He will be compensated at the rate of \$10.00 per hour.

Tristan Lewis - Special Education Student Success Coach at Rosa Parks Elementary School for 6.75 hours per day/5 days per week beginning October 11, 2021. She will be placed at classification B22, step 1, in accordance with the agreement between the District and Minnesota School Employee Association, with an hourly rate of \$16.44.

Landis Parham - ACES Child Care Assistant at Rosa Parks Elementary School for 3 hours per day/4 days per week beginning October 4, 2021, and ending June 3, 2022. She will be compensated at the rate of \$11.00 per hour.

Diane Winegar - Transfer from Clerical Assistant /POS Operator to Secretary to the Principal at Washington Elementary School beginning October 18, 2021. This is a full-time, 10-month position with a work year of 204 days plus 9 paid holidays. She will be placed at step 2, classification B22 on the Educational Secretaries Association salary schedule.

CONTRACT ADJUSTMENTS (INSTRUCTIONAL)

Thomas Boone - Increase in assignment as Math Teacher at West High School from 1.0 FTEs to 1.083 FTEs for the 1st semester only of the 2021-22 school year.

CONTRACT ADJUSTMENTS (NON-INSTRUCTIONAL)

Paula Billings - Change in assignment from Special Education Student Success Coach, classification B22 to Special Education Resource Paraprofessional, classification B21 at Franklin Elementary School beginning October 4, 2021. She will be compensated according to her placement on the Minnesota School Employees Association salary schedule.

Jane Flintrop - Change in assignment from Special Education Resource Paraprofessional, classification B21 to Special Education Behavior Support Paraprofessional, classification B21.5 at Prairie Winds Middle School beginning October 4, 2021. She will be compensated according to her placement on the Minnesota School Employees Association salary schedule.

Michael McGuire - Change in assignment from Non-Classroom (Playground) Paraprofessional for 1.75 hours per day/5 days per to Non-Classroom (Playground)

Paraprofessional for 1.75 hours per day/3 days per week (M, W, F) and Special Education Paraprofessional for 6.25 hours per day/2 days per week (T, TH) at Washington Elementary School beginning October 4, 2021. He will remain a classification B21.

Mariam Narowitz - Adjust start date to September 8, 2021, for her Non-Classroom (Lunchroom) Paraprofessional assignment at Eagle Lake Elementary School.

Austin Sellner - Change in assignment from Special Education Resource Paraprofessional, classification B21 to Special Education Student Success Coach, classification B22 at Franklin Elementary School beginning October 4, 2021. He will be compensated according to his placement on the Minnesota School Employees Association salary schedule. This is in addition to his Bus Supervisor assignment.

Cathy Stien - Increase in assignment as Brailist at East High School from 6.75 hours per day/5 days per week to 7 hours per/5 days per week beginning September 9, 2021.

Sue Troutman - Change in assignment from Special Education Health and Wellness Paraprofessional, classification B22.5 at Dakota Meadows Middle School to Special Education Intervention ASD Paraprofessional, classification B21.5 at Prairie Winds Middle School beginning October 7, 2021. She will be compensated according to her placement on the Minnesota School Employees Association salary schedule.

Amanda Yock - Change in assignment from Special Education Resource Paraprofessional, classification B21 to Special Education Student Success Coach, classification B22 at Hoover Elementary School beginning September 27, 2021. She will be compensated according to her placement on the Minnesota School Employees Association salary schedule.

REQUESTS FOR LEAVE (NON-INSTRUCTIONAL)

Alyssa Coughlin - Clerical Assistant at Franklin Elementary School, has requested unpaid leave beginning September 24 and returning to work on November 8, 2021.

Mavis Gieser - Extend Board-approved leave, returning to work on November 2, 2021.

RESIGNATIONS (NON-INSTRUCTIONAL)

Jayne Doyen - Media Assistant and Non-Classroom (Playground) Paraprofessional, at Franklin Elementary School, has submitted her resignation. Her last day of employment will be June 7, 2021.

Fatuma Hassan - ACES Child Care Assistant at Eagle Lake Elementary School has submitted her resignation. Her last date of employment for this assignment will be October 1, 2021. She will continue in her AOM Paraprofessional assignment at Dakota Meadows Middle School.

Amanda Kallhoff - Special Education Student Success Coach at Futures SUN, has submitted her resignation. Her last date of employment will be October 14, 2021.

Katie Orchard - Health Assistant at West High School, has submitted her resignation in order to accept the Licensed School Nurse assignment. Her last date of employment for this assignment will be October 5, 2021.

Leisa Rahm - Special Education DCD Paraprofessional at Franklin Elementary School, has submitted her resignation. Her last date of employment will be October 22, 2021.

Mark Spangler - Special Education Paraprofessional at West High School, has submitted his resignation. His last date of employment will be October 1, 2021.

Approval of Extended Trip, Per Minnesota State High School League Requirements

The following gifts and grants were received by the School District:

Old National Bank and Greater Mankato Area United Way donated backpacks and supplies (\$2,000 value) to Mankato Area Public Schools

The following were donated to East High Girls Hockey:

- \$500 from Tibodeau Farms
- \$150 from Mankato Motor Company
- \$150 from Progrowth Bank
- \$300 from PEY Inc DBA Pet Expo
- \$150 from Midwest Fitness Centers LLC
- \$150 from JBKD LLC

Seijen Takamura donated \$250 to West High Boys Cross Country

Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council donated \$6,000 to Prairie Winds Middle School Arts & Cultural Heritage Grant

Brown & Brown of Minnesota Inc donated \$2,200 to Mankato Area Public Schools 2021-22 Opening Day Event for VetterStone Amphitheater

Minnesota State University Mankato donated \$500 to Mankato Area Public Schools 2021-22 Fall Workshop Breakfast at VetterStone Amphitheater

Cars-N-Credit donated backpacks & supplies (\$450 value) to Mankato Area Public Schools

Minnesota Education Equity Partnership donated \$4,000 to Mankato Area Public Schools Equity Summit for Tech Expense Reimbursement

An anonymous donor donated Pony Walker (\$2,200 value) to Special Education Department

An anonymous donor donated Stander (\$2,600 value) to Special Education Department

Ms. Schuck made a motion to accept the gifts. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kind and carried on a 7-0 voice vote.

In 2007 the State Legislature passed a law which dedicated the sales tax proceeds from Sectional and State Minnesota State High School League (MSHSL) events to the MSHSL Foundation. The MSHSL Foundation provides grants back to MSHSL members to support scholarships for students qualifying for a free or reduced price lunch to participate in co-curricular activities. Ms. Schuck made a motion to approve the attached resolution (see page _____) supporting the grant application. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Ratcliff and carried on a 7-0 voice vote.

During favorable market conditions with low interest rates on the cost of borrowing, school districts can take advantage of refinancing existing debt to lower debt service payments and save money for property tax payers. Most recently, the district did this in September 2020, and in doing so saved taxpayers \$3,500,000 over the term of the payment schedule. Since that time, the district has continued to work closely with the district's financial municipal advisor, PMA, to monitor any other emerging opportunities. Information on this topic and a market update was shared with the board finance committee in June 2021. At this time, the district has another opportunity to refinance a different bond series at a lower interest rate and again save money for taxpayers. Originally, this was the series 2006A General Obligation bonds that were issued as a result of a voter approved referendum in November 2005. The \$6,000,000 in proceeds were used to finance the betterment of several school sites and facilities. The current interest rate on this series is 2.19 percent. The estimated true interest cost on refunding these bonds is 1.54 percent. This includes the cost of issuance. The total savings to taxpayers will be \$27,000. While this savings is not as substantial as the savings incurred last September, it does represent the district's vigilance and commitment of leveraging every opportunity to save money for property owners. A motion was made by Mr. Wacker and seconded by Mr. Reid to approve the resolution (see page _____) authorizing the Superintendent/Director of Business Services and Board Officer to execute a Bond Purchase Agreement. The bond sale will occur in October 2021. The motion carried on a 7-0 voice vote.

A tentative agreement was reached between District 77 and the Mankato Teachers Association on August 26, 2021. Board members have received a detailed analysis of the new agreement. The Mankato Teachers Association approved the tentative agreement on September 23, 2021. Ms. Schuck made a motion, seconded by Ms. Roberts, to approve the agreement as presented. The motion carried on a 7-0 roll call vote.

There being no further business to consider, Ms. Schuck moved and Ms. Roberts seconded, that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was declared adjourned at 7:22 p.m., on a 7-0 voice vote.

Clerk _____

Attest:

Chairperson _____

SCHOOL BOARD PROCEEDINGS
INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 77
Mankato, Minnesota

October 4, 2021

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1. Schuck/Roberts approval of agenda with personnel addendum. 7-0
2. Open Forum -Linda Howe-Wensel, Anne Wilking, Shelley Leenhouts, Carma Carpenter, Rebecca Strom, Carol Schulz, Kevin Schulz, Sarah Scott, Brad Willodson, Ronald Schmidt, Kirsten Wagner, Martin Leenhouts, Sadredin Moosavi, Brianne Eldred, Annie Pitcher, Elizabeth Hanke, Jovan Latchman, Stacy Hvinden, John Wicklund, Ellen Koenigs, Trever Lageson spoke on equity and staff COVID testing.
3. Information: COVID-19 Update; Board Member Reports.
4. Reid/Schuck approval of Consent Agenda Items: Approval of Minutes of the September 20, 2021, regular meeting; Personnel; Approval of Extended Trip, per MSHSL requirements. 7-0
5. Schuck/Kind acceptance of gifts and grants. 7-0
6. Schuck/Ratcliff approval of resolution supporting MSHSL Grant requests. 7-0
7. Wacker/Reid approval of resolution for Refunding of the 2015A Bonds. 7-0
8. Schuck/Roberts ratify 2021-23 Agreement with Mankato Teachers Association. 7-0
9. Schuck/Roberts adjournment at 7:22 p.m. 7-0

Independent School District No. 77
Mankato, Minnesota
By: Erin Roberts

The complete minutes and all documents relating to this meeting are on file and available for review in the Superintendent's Office, 10 Civic Center Plaza, Suite 2 and on-line at www.isd77.org.

FORM A

RESOLUTION OF SCHOOL BOARD SUPPORTING FORM A APPLICATION TO MINNESOTA STATE HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE FOUNDATION

WHEREAS, the Minnesota State High School League Foundation was formed to provide support for Minnesota's high school youth to participate in athletics and fine arts;

WHEREAS, the District 77 School Board recognizes the value of student participation in extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, the MSHSL Foundation is offering grants and funding to assist school districts in recognizing, promoting and funding extracurricular participation by high school students in athletic and fine arts programs.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mankato Area Public Schools' School Board supports the District's application to the Minnesota State High School League Foundation for a FORM A grant to offset student activity fees.

Date

Board Chair

Date

Board Clerk - Treasurer

CERTIFICATION OF MINUTES RELATING TO
GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2021A

Issuer: Independent School District No. 77 (Mankato Area Public Schools), Minnesota

Governing Body: School Board

Kind, date, time and place of meeting: A regular meeting held on October 4, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.
at the Civic Center Plaza.

Members present:

Members absent:

Documents attached:

Minutes of said meeting (including):

RESOLUTION RELATING TO GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2021A; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND AUTHORIZING THE SUPERINTENDENT OR DIRECTOR OF BUSINESS SERVICES AND ANY BOARD OFFICER TO AWARD THE SALE THEREOF AND TO TAKE SUCH ACTION AND EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO ACCOMPLISH SAID AWARD AND SALE; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE THEREOF AND PROVIDING FOR CREDIT ENHANCEMENT WITH RESPECT THERETO

I, the undersigned, being the duly qualified and acting recording officer of the public corporation issuing the bonds referred to in the title of this certificate, certify that the documents attached hereto, as described above, have been carefully compared with the original records of said corporation in my legal custody, from which they have been transcribed; that said documents are a correct and complete transcript of the minutes of a meeting of the governing body of said corporation, and correct and complete copies of all resolutions and other actions taken and of all documents approved by the governing body at said meeting, so far as they relate to said bonds; and that said meeting was duly held by the governing body at the time and place and was attended throughout by the members indicated above, pursuant to call and notice of such meeting given as required by law.

WITNESS my hand officially as such recording officer this 4th day of October, 2021.

School District Clerk

Member _____ introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, which motion was seconded by Member _____:

RESOLUTION RELATING TO GENERAL OBLIGATION REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2021A; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND AUTHORIZING THE SUPERINTENDENT OR DIRECTOR OF BUSINESS SERVICES AND ANY BOARD OFFICER TO AWARD THE SALE THEREOF AND TO TAKE SUCH ACTION AND EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO ACCOMPLISH SAID AWARD AND SALE; AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE THEREOF AND PROVIDING FOR CREDIT ENHANCEMENT WITH RESPECT THERETO

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board (the Board) of Independent School District No. 77 (Mankato Area Public Schools), Minnesota (the District), as follows:

SECTION 1. AUTHORIZATION. It is hereby determined to be in the best interests of the District to issue its General Obligation Refunding Bonds, Series 2021A, in the approximate aggregate principal amount of \$1,600,000 (the Bonds). The proceeds of the Bonds will be used, together with any additional funds of the District which might be required, to refund in advance of maturity and prepay on February 1, 2022, the 2023 through 2026 maturities, aggregating \$1,575,000 in principal amount, of the District's outstanding \$3,680,000 General Obligation Crossover Refunding Bonds, Series 2015A, dated originally as of January 1, 2015.

SECTION 2. APPROVAL OF SALE OF THE BONDS. The District has retained PMA Securities, Inc., in Albertville, Minnesota (PMA), as independent municipal advisor in connection with the sale of the Bonds. The Board desires to proceed with the sale of the Bonds by private placement. The Superintendent or Director of Business Services and any Board officer, in consultation with and upon the advice of representatives of PMA, are hereby authorized to approve the sale of the Bonds and directed to execute a contract on the part of the District for the sale of the Bonds to a purchaser to be selected by such officers, provided that the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds shall not exceed \$1,600,000, the total net savings is at least \$10,000, and the true interest cost shall not exceed 2.00%. This Board shall meet at an upcoming regularly scheduled or special board meeting to adopt a bond resolution prepared by the District's bond counsel ratifying the sale of the Bonds.

SECTION 3. STATE CREDIT ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM. (a) The District hereby covenants and obligates itself to notify the Commissioner of Education of a potential default in the payment of principal and interest on the Bonds and to use the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.55 to guarantee payment of the principal and interest on the Bonds when due. The District further covenants to deposit with the registrar for the Bonds or any successor paying agent three (3) days prior to the date on which a payment is due an amount sufficient to make that payment or to notify the Commissioner of Education that it will be unable to make all or a portion of that payment. The registrar for the Bonds is authorized and directed to notify the Commissioner of Education if it becomes aware of a potential default in the payment of principal or interest on the Bonds or if, on the day two (2) business days prior to the date a payment is due on the Bonds, there are insufficient funds to make that payment on deposit with the registrar. The District understands that as a result of its covenant to be bound by the provision of

Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.55, the provisions of that section shall be binding as long as any Bonds of this issue remain outstanding.

(b) The District further covenants to comply with all procedures now and hereafter established by the Departments of Management and Budget and Education of the State of Minnesota pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.55, subdivision 2(c) and otherwise to take such actions as necessary to comply with that section. The chair, clerk, superintendent or business manager is authorized to execute any applicable Minnesota Department of Education forms.

SECTION 4. EXPIRATION. The authorization provided in Section 2 hereof shall expire on December 31, 2021.

Upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

and the following voted against the same:

whereupon the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.