

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

July 13, 2026

The School Board of Independent School District No. 77 met in regular session on Monday, July 13, in the Minnesota Valley Room at the Intergovernmental Center. Chair Sinning called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Members present at roll call: Patrick Baker, Elizabeth Hanke, Christopher Kind, Kari Pratt, Liz Ratcliff, Erin Roberts, and Shannon Sinning. Absent: None.

Mrs. Pratt made a motion, and Mrs. Ratcliff seconded, approval of the agenda together with a Personnel Addendum. The motion carried on a 7-0 voice vote.

MAPS Staff Spotlight: Colby Wall - Community Education

Public Comment: No one wished to speak.

Information Reports: Spring Student/Staff Recognition presented by Akram Osman and Eric Dahlman; Board Member Workshop/Committee Reports.

The following East High students are recognized for their accomplishments during the Spring season:

Softball

- **State Class AAA State Consolation Champions**
- **MSHSCA Gold Academic Team Award (3.86 GPA)**
 - Emily Hacker
 - MSCHSA All-Star Series Selection
 - MSCHSA All-State Selection
 - Star Tribune All-State Selection
 - Ms. Softball Top 8 Finalist
 - Kaylan Kapsner
 - Aubrey Bobby
 - Academic All-State (MSHSCA)
 - Chloe Grams
 - All-Section Team Selection (MSHSCA)
 - Harper Stangl
 - All-State Honorable Mention Selection
 - London Hart
 - Amelia Hacker
 - All-Section Team Selection (MSHSCA)
 - Carlie Wendinger
 - Academic All-State (MSHSCA)
 - All-Section Team Selection (MSHSCA)
 - Kenley Staunton
 - MSHSL All-Tournament Team Selection
 - All-Section Team Selection (MSHSCA)

- Azely Rautenberg
- Ella Hudspith
 - Academic All-State (MSHSCA)
- Ella Fugazzi
 - All-Section Team Selection (MSHSCA)
- Eloise Fry
- Adisyn Manske
- Addisyn Wellner
- Ellie Brielmaier

Baseball

- **MSHSCA Silver Academic Team Award**
 - Carson Hart
 - Star Tribune All-State Selection
 - MSHSCA All-State Selection
 - Dick Seltz Career Award Selection (Big 9)
 - All-Section Team Selection (MSHSCA)
 - Academic All-State (MSHSCA)
 - All-Star Series South Team Selection (Play Ball MN)
 - Keaton Wojcik
 - MSHSCA All-State Selection
 - Avery Stubbs
 - All-Section Team Selection (MSHSCA)
 - Koltin Kolbinger
 - All-Section Team Selection (MSHSCA)
 - Logan Hasz
 - All-Section Team Selection (MSHSCA)
 - Mason Diede
 - Academic All-State (MSHSCA)

Adaptive Bowling

- **ASD Division**
 - Julia Hollerich – Team and Singles
 - Jaron Luntsford – Team and Doubles
 - Jonathan Cherney – Team and Doubles
 - Sadie Neilson – Team and Doubles
 - Dee Kimmer – Team and Doubles
 - Noah Olson
 - Kyle Brouwer
 - Marlenika Owino
 - Kellen Britz
 - Marcus Sierra
 - Tyler Dorn
 - Isaac Andon
- **CI Division**
 - Oliver Dowd - Singles
 - Rinnah Sorenson – Team and Doubles
 - Travis Peterson – Team and Doubles

- Jak Okumo
- Silas Visker
- Anthony Hernandez
- Jesse Coult
- Kieran Carstensen
- Ava Diel Fuerstenburg
- **PI Division**
 - Kenny Smith – Single and Doubles
 - Jack O’Hara – Doubles

Boys Tennis

- **MSHSCA Silver Academic Team Award**

Girls Track

- **MSHSCA Gold Academic Team Award (3.97 Team GPA)**
- **MSHSL State Championship Meet 7th Place Finish**
- 4x800 Meter Relay - State 3rd Place - All-State
 - Hayden Johnston, Hayden Henning, Ady Lurken and Lauren Henkels
- 4x400 Meter Relay - State 5th Place – All-State
 - Hayden Henning, Sophia Donev, Hayden Johnston and Lauren Henkels
- 4x200 Meter Relay - State 8th Place – All State
 - Jaiden Danielson, Cami Schuh, Jenna Borgmeier and Lexi Heminover
- Teegan Mullikin
 - State Participant – Triple Jump and Pole Vault
- Adaylia Borgmeier
 - State Champion in three events and All-State
 - Wheelchair 100 Meters
 - Wheelchair 1600 Meters (State Meet Record)
 - Wheelchair 3200 Meters (State Meet Record)
 - State Runner-up – Wheelchair Shot - All-State
- Lauren Henkels
 - State Runner-Up – 800 Meter Run – All-State
- Kenzie Juliar
 - State Participant – Shot Put
- Elsie Bennett - Academic All-State MSHSCA
- Victoria Blasl - Academic All-State MSHSCA
- Sydney Cusick - Academic All-State MSHSCA
- Jaiden Danielson - Academic All-State MSHSCA
- Macy Hayes - Academic All-State MSHSCA
- Olivia Heinis - Academic All-State MSHSCA
- Hayden Henning - Academic All-State MSHSCA
- Nora Javens - Academic All-State MSHSCA
- Hayden Johnston - Academic All-State MSHSCA
- Kenzie Juliar - Academic All-State MSHSCA
- Ady Lurken - Academic All-State MSHSCA
- Teegan Mullikin - Academic All-State MSHSCA
- Skyler Nolta - Academic All-State MSHSCA
- Sarah Pottenger - Academic All-State MSHSCA

- Molly Rorvig - Academic All-State MSHSCA
- Cami Schuh - Academic All-State MSHSCA
- Sophia Sievek - Academic All-State MSHSCA

Boys Track

- **MSHSCA Gold Academic Team Award**
- **Section True Team Class 2AAA and Section 2AA Champion**
- **MSHSL State Championship Meet Champions**
- **Big 9 Conference Champions**
- 4x200 Meter Relay - State 5th Place – All-State
 - Hayden Tischler, Logan Kleist, Blake Kamphoff and Lucas Gustafson
- 4x100 Meter Relay - State 5th Place – All-State
 - Hayden Tischler, Logan Kleist, Blake Kamphoff and Jack Hinrichs
- 4x400 Meter Relay - State 4th Place – All -State
 - Logan Kleist, Lucas Gustafson, Mason Fruendl and Yurem Kosgei
- Hayden Tischler
 - State 4th Place – Long Jump – All-State
- Carter Schwartz
 - State Champion – Shot Put – All-State (Meet Record)
 - State Runner-Up – Discus – All-State
- Brady Valberg
 - State 5th Place – Shot Put – All-State
- Cedric Williams Pore
 - State 9th Place - Shot Put – All-State
- Jack Hinrichs
 - State 6th Place – High Jump – All-State
- Dayton Clobes
 - State Runner-Up – 800 Meters – All State
- Yurem Gosgei
 - State – 3rd Place – 300 Meter IH – All-State
- Jack Hinrichs - Academic All-State
- Bennett Blom - Academic All-State
- Dayton Clobes - Academic All-State
- Atem Lueth - Academic All-State
- Blake Grovom - Academic All-State
- Carter Schwartz - Academic All-State
- Blake Kamphoff - Academic All-State
- Brady Valberg - Academic All-State
- Tyler Blaschko - Academic All-State
- Nathan Essler - Academic All-State
- Matthew Harris - Academic All-State
- Logan Kleist - Academic All-State
- Hayden Tischler - Academic All-State

Speech

- Taelyn Herz – State Participant – Storytelling
 - All-State

The following West High students are recognized for their accomplishments during the Spring season:

Baseball

- Section 2AAA Champions and MSHSL Class AAA 3rd Place
 - Mason Schreiber
 - Kayden Rux
 - Emmitt Rentas
 - Ben O'Neil
 - Michael Fischer
 - Owen Neubert
 - Evan Senske
 - Gavin Torvik
 - Josiah Gioffre
 - Dominic Murphy
 - Kason Nuehring
 - Carter Sawtell
 - Harrison Velasquez
 - Jaxson Zimmerman
 - Leo Regan
 - Jacen Kratzke
 - Chase Bentsdahl
 - Teddy Simpson
 - Managers: Addy Clifton and Brynna Stock
 - Coaches: Marshall Miller (head), Kevin Regan, Gavin Krause, Jake Hendel, Colten Bahl
- All State Team
 - Mason Schreiber
 - Emmitt Rentas
- Academic All State:
 - Mason Schreiber

Girls Softball

- MSHSCA Gold Academic Team Award
- MSHSCA Academic All-State: Lydia Banse, Maria Hagen, Madison Kaus
- MSHSCA All-State
 - Lydia Banse (1st Team)
- Minnesota All-Star game - Lydia Banse

Boys Track and Field

- **MSHSL State Class AA Meet Results**
 - **Pole Vault** - Severyn Wilson - 4th place
 - **Triple Jump** - Tyler Kreminski - 9th place
 - **4x100 Relay** - William Vann, Ayden Betts, Porter Goettlicher, Michael Roach Alt - Jase Froderman 2nd place
- Academic All State - Michael Roach, Ayden Betts

Girls Track and Field

- Class AA 4th place
- MSHSCA Gold Team Academic Award

- **High Jump**
 - Emma Tuwei- **State Champion** (Jump of 5'8")
 - New Mankato West School Record (1983) & New Class AA State Meet Record.
 - Alex Barten 5th Place (Jump of 5'2")
- **Discus** - Ana Nelson 9th Place (Throw of 116.1ft)
- **Triple Jump** - Kenley Doyscher 6th Place (Jump of 35' 9.25")
- **Long Jump** - Ava Olson 28th Place (Jump of 15'8.75")
- **Pole Vault** - Maddison Hoescht- 13th Place (10' Vault)
- **100M**
 - Ruby Marble 2nd Place 11.96
 - Ava Olson 6th Place 12.33
- **200M**
 - Ava Olson 6th Place 25.22
 - Jaelyn Doss 13th Place 25.8
- **800M** - Landree Quint 7th Place 2:15.95
- **4x100M** - **3rd Place 47.89** -Jaelyn Doss-Ava Olson-Luka Marble-Ruby Marble
- **4x800 Relay** - **11th Place 9:47.15** -Reese Quint-Lila Adams-Zoe Williams-Landree Quint

Adapted Bowling

- **State Bowling Participants**
- **Singles:**
 - Mari Pickett- 2nd Place CI Singles
 - Kathryn Buboltz
 - Ethan Perkinson- 3rd Place CI Singles
- **Doubles:**
 - Zubair Ahmed and Ian Voss
 - Kathryn Buboltz and Shaye Zwaschka
- **Teams:**
 - Ian Voss, Zubair Ahmed, Corbin Hansen, Irene "Alex" Miller
 - Carson Carter, Emma Christenson, Eli Gansen, Greg Larson
 - Nic Hernandez, Hudson Marco, Lyla Martin, Taylor Tokheim
- **All State Honorees**
 - Emma Christenson
 - Eli Gansen
 - Lyla Martin
 - Nic Hernandez
 - Frank Kammerdiener

All State Music

- **Band**
 - Leila Pratt
 - Noah Davis
 - Evie Bottner
- **Choir**
 - Lola Jones
- **Orchestra**
 - Michael Venincasa

Speech

- Chase Breuer and Logan Hayden- Duo
- Lucas Riggs and Hannah Berding- Duo
- Grace Mackie- Poetry

FFA

- Forestry Team: 14th Place
 - Abby Engelen
 - Charlotte Doering
 - Elizabeth Struck
 - Clairia Rickbeil
- Horse Evaluation: 7th Place
 - Elyzah Erickson- Individual State Champion
 - Andrew Bormann
 - Harper Simonson
 - Lilian Shortall (East High School)

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

Approval of Minutes of the June 15, 2026, regular meeting.

Approval of July Bills totaling \$14,683,163.63.

Personnel:

APPOINTMENTS (ADMINISTRATIVE)

Caleb Watson - Assistant Principal at West High School beginning August 3, 2026. He will be placed at the Assistant Senior High School Principal classification on the Principal's Association salary schedule, contingent upon obtaining licensure.

APPOINTMENTS (NON-AFFILIATED)

Eric Thiese - Building Technology Assistant at Prairie Winds Middle School for 6.5 hours per day/5 days per week, with a work year of 175 days beginning August 24, 2026. This is a Non-affiliated assignment, with an hourly rate of \$19.67. He will be eligible for Category I benefits.

Delaney Willcock - Change in assignment from ACES Site Specialist in Training at Franklin Elementary School to ACES Site Specialist at Lincoln Community School beginning August 5, 2026. This is a full-time, Non-affiliated position with an annual salary of \$60,348.31 (prorated to \$54,344.35 for 235 days for 2026-27). She will be eligible for Category II benefits.

APPOINTMENTS (INSTRUCTIONAL)

Joni Biebighauser - Full-time (1.00 FTE) Special Education Teacher at Dakota Meadows Middle School beginning August 31, 2026 and ending June 11, 2027. She will be placed at step 2 of the B lane on the Teachers Association salary schedule.

Timothy Biocic - Increase in assignment as Social Studies Teacher at East High School from 0.50 FTE to 1.00 FTE beginning August 24, 2026, and ending June 11, 2027.

Amelia Collier - Full-time (1.00 FTE) Special Education Teacher at Rosa Parks Elementary School beginning August 24, 2026. She will be placed at step 7 of the B lane on the Teachers Association salary schedule.

Cindy Gawrych - Full-time (1.00 FTE) Science Teacher at East High School beginning August 31, 2026. She will be placed at step 5 of the M lane on the Teachers Association salary schedule.

Amber Volkman - ABE ESL Teacher with the Adult Basic Education Program for 706.5 annual hours (0.49 FTE) beginning September 14, 2026, training July 1, 2026. She will be placed at step 10 of the Bachelor's lane on the ABE Teacher salary schedule. This is in addition to her substitute teaching position.

Anita Weir - Adjust start date to August 24, 2026 as Special Education Teacher at West High School.

The following will be a teacher with the ESY Summer Program. They will be compensated according to their placement on the Teachers Association salary schedule.

Renetta Seys

The following will be teachers in the Camp Ignite Summer Program for 4.5 hours per day/4 days per week (M-Th) beginning July 6 and ending July 30, 2026. They will be compensated according to their placement on the Teachers Association salary schedule.

Abraham Kurnia, Angela Parker

APPOINTMENTS (NON-INSTRUCTIONAL)

Nazri Egal - ACES Child Care Associate for up to 20 hours per week at Washington Elementary School beginning June 29, 2026. He will be compensated at the rate of \$13.00 per hour.

Tanner Henderson - Summer Grounds Worker with the District for 8 hours per day/5 days per week beginning May 26 and ending August 28, 2026. He will be compensated at the rate of \$15.50 per hour. This is in addition to his Early Learning Certified Instructor assignment at MAPS Center for Learning.

McKenzie Lee - ACES Child Care Assistant for 6-8 hours per day/5 days per week at Franklin Elementary School beginning June 29, 2026. She will be compensated at the rate of \$15.50 per hour.

Kari Sandersfeld - Non-Classroom Paraeducator (Playground Supervisor) at Bridges Community School for 2 hours per day/5 days per week (M-F) beginning September 10, 2026. She will be placed at classification B21, step 1, in accordance with the agreement between the District and the Minnesota School Employee Association.

Elizabeth Slobodecki - Non-Classroom Paraeducator (Playground Supervisor) at Rosa Parks Elementary School for 2 hours per day/3 days per week (T/W/TH) beginning September 10, 2026. She will be placed at classification B21, step 1, in accordance with the agreement between the District and the Minnesota School Employee Association.

Alisha Tiernan - Special Education Paraeducator at Rosa park Elementary School for 6.5 hours per day/5 days per week (M-F) beginning September 10, 2026. She will be placed at classification B22, step 2, in accordance with the agreement between the District and the Minnesota School Employee Association.

Brenden Tricoli - Non-Classroom Paraeducator (Playground) at Hoover Elementary School for 2 hours per day/5 days per week (M-F) beginning September 10, 2026. He will be placed at classification B21, step 1, in accordance with the agreement between the District and the Minnesota School Employee Association.

The following will be Paraeducators with the ESY Summer Program . They will be compensated according to their placement on the Minnesota School Employees Association salary schedule.

Linnea Hendley, Addison Israelson, Haylee Palmer, Lexi Reid, Savannah Smith, Alisha Tiernan

CONTRACT ADJUSTMENTS (NON-INSTRUCTIONAL)

Kerri Ambrose - Increase hourly rate to \$19.60 as Early Childhood Screener at MAPS Center for Learning beginning July 1, 2026.

Jazanne Brass - ACES Site Specialist in Training at Lincoln Community School for up to 20 hours per week beginning June 29, and ending July 24, 2026. She will be compensated at the rate of \$29.28 per hour.

August Buesing - ACES Student Support Assistant at Franklin Elementary School for 6-8 hours per day/5 days per week beginning June 29, 2026. She will be compensated at the rate of \$16.50 per hour.

Brielle Bushaw - ESY Special Education Paraeducator at Franklin Elementary School for 4.5 hours per day/5 days per week beginning July 6, and ending July 24, 2026. She will be compensated according to her placement on the Minnesota School Employees Association salary schedule. This is in addition to her Special Education Paraeducator assignment at Franklin Elementary School.

Stella Byrd - Building Supervisor at MAPS Center for Learning on an on-call basis beginning June 22, 2026. She will be compensated at the rate of \$19.00 per hour. This is in addition to her Early Learning Classroom Aide assignment at MAPS Center for Learning.

Anna Feder - Increase in assignment as Special Education Paraeducator at Roosevelt Elementary School from 4.25 hours per day/2 days per week to 6.5 hours per day/5 days per week beginning September 10, 2026.

Julia Fischer - Change in assignment from ACES Child Care Assistant to ACES Student Support Assistant at Rosa Parks Elementary School beginning June 16, 2026. She will be compensated at the rate of \$16.00 per hour.

Romey Hinz - Change in assignment from ACES Child Care Associate to ACES Child Care Assistant at Franklin Elementary School beginning June 21, 2026. She will be compensated at the rate of \$15.00 per hour.

Preston Meihak - Change in assignment from Seasonal Lead Groundskeeper to 12-month Lead Grounds Keeper/Floating Custodian beginning July 1, 2026. He will be compensated according to his placement on the Minnesota School Employees Association salary schedule.

Audrey Mitties - Change in assignment from ACES Site Lead at Roosevelt Elementary School to ACES Child Care Assistant Substitute on an on-call basis beginning May 19, 2026. She will be compensated at the rate of \$13.25 per hour.

Zeinab Nur - Increase hourly rate to \$19.60 as Early Childhood Screener at MAPS Center for Learning beginning July 1, 2026. This is in addition to her Early Learning Special Education Paraeducator assignment at MAPS Center for Learning.

Iveth Quiroz Rios - Increase hourly rate to \$19.60 as Early Childhood Screener beginning July 1, 2026. This is in addition to her Childcare Assistant Teacher assignment at Lincoln Logs Learning Center and ABE Teaching Assistant assignment at Lincoln Community Center.

Aidan Toegel - Change in assignment from Seasonal Lead Groundskeeper to 12-month Lead Grounds Keeper/Floating Custodian beginning July 1, 2026. He will be compensated according to his placement on the Minnesota School Employees Association salary schedule.

Delaney Willcock - Change in assignment from ACES Site Lead to ACES Site Specialist in Training at Franklin Elementary School beginning June 22, and ending July 17, 2026. She will be compensated at the rate of \$29.28 per hour.

Tyson Wilson - Summer Grounds Worker with the District for 8 hours per day/5 days per week beginning June 4, and ending August 28, 2026. He will be compensated at the rate of \$15.50 per hour. This is in addition to his Coaching assignment.

RESIGNATIONS (INSTRUCTIONAL)

Taylor Campbell - Rescind acceptance as Special Education Teacher at Dakota Meadows Middle School.

Isabella Delwiche - English Language Arts Teacher at Prairie Winds Middle School, has submitted a resignation. The last day of employment will be May 26, 2026.

Anica Myhr - Speech Language Pathologist at MAPS Center for Learning, has submitted a resignation. The last day of employment will be August 14, 2026.

RESIGNATIONS (NON-INSTRUCTIONAL)

Mercy Emery - Non-classroom Paraeducator and Special Education Paraeducator at Rosa Parks Elementary School, has submitted a resignation. The last day of employment will be May 18, 2026.

Alex Lang - Building Supervisor with Community Education, has submitted a resignation. The last day of employment will be April 16, 2026.

Brandon Lang - Building Supervisor with Community Education, has submitted a resignation. The last day of employment will be April 27, 2026.

Morrigan Douglass - Building Supervisor with Community Education, has submitted a resignation. The last day of employment will be April 27, 2026.

Ashton Roberts - Summer Grounds Worker with the District, has submitted a resignation. The last day of employment will be June 17, 2026.

Alexandria Spencer - Kitchen Float Cook Helper with the District, has submitted a resignation. The last day of employment will be May 21, 2026.

Zoey Weller - Summer Grounds Worker with the District, has submitted a resignation. The last day of employment for this assignment will be June 2, 2026. She will continue as a Special Education Teacher at Prairie Winds Middle School.

Personnel – Addendum

APPOINTMENTS (NON-AFFILIATED)

Laura Cole - Engagement Assistant Specialist at Lincoln Community Center beginning July 27, 2026. This is a full-time, 12-month, non-affiliated position with an annual salary of \$51,164.00 prorated to \$47,635.29 for 243 days for 2026-27. She will be eligible for Category II benefits.

Christina Makela - Career Pathways Coordinator for the District beginning July 14, 2026. This is a full-time, 12-month, non-affiliated position with an annual salary of \$102,722 prorated to \$99,179.64 for 252 days for 2026-27. She will be eligible for category III benefits.

APPOINTMENTS (INSTRUCTIONAL)

Kristan Pfarr - Part-time Long-term Substitute (.315 FTE) Non-Public School Counselor at Loyola for 45 days beginning August 24, 2026 through December 17, 2026. She will be placed at step 10 of the M+30 lane on the Teachers Association salary schedule.

APPOINTMENTS (NON-INSTRUCTIONAL)

Dakota Kamm - Special Education Paraeducator at INSITE for 3.75 hours per day/2 days per week (M/W), 5.667 hours per day/2 days per week (T/TH) and 6.5 hours per day/1 day per week (F) beginning September 9, 2026. She will be placed at classification B22.5, step 3 in accordance with the agreement between the District and the Minnesota School Employee Association.

Anastasia Viland - Media Assistant at Jefferson Elementary School for 5.25 hours per day/5 days per week, with a work year of 180 days beginning August 31, 2026. She will be placed at step 1 of the A13 classification on the Educational Secretaries Association salary schedule.

CONTRACT ADJUSTMENTS (INSTRUCTIONAL)

Toni Hames - Increase in assignment as Part-time AVID teacher at East High School from .50 FTEs to .667 FTEs for the 2026-27 school year. This is in addition to her Part-time (.50 FTE) Secondary Mentor Coach (TOSA) assignment at East High School.

CONTRACT ADJUSTMENTS (NON-INSTRUCTIONAL)

Cassandra De La Cruz - Increase hourly rate to \$21.57 as Certified Instructor at Lincoln Logs Learning Center beginning July 1, 2026.

Bisharo Farah - Increase hourly rate to \$18.78 as Certified Assistant Instructor at Lincoln Logs Learning Center beginning July 1, 2026.

Bisharo Farah - Decrease in assignment as Certified Assistant Instructor at Lincoln Logs Learning Center from 5.5 hours per day/4 days per week (M-TH) to 5.25 hours per day/4 days per week (M-TH) beginning July 1, 2026.

Mandy Kurth - Increase hourly rate to \$24.38 as Lead Certified Instructor at Lincoln Logs Learning Center beginning July 1, 2026.

Katia Monteiro - Increase hourly rate to \$15.45 as Child Care Aide at Lincoln Logs Learning Center beginning July 1, 2026.

Iveth Quiroz Rios - Increase hourly rate to \$18.03 as Certified Assistant Instructor at Lincoln Logs Learning Center.

Board Member School Assignments for 2026-27 as follows:

<u>Shannon Sinning</u> Franklin Elementary School Central High/Freedom/PEEK School Futures	<u>Erin Roberts</u> Dakota Meadows Middle School Monroe Elementary School MAPS Center for Learning
<u>Christopher Kind</u> East High School Washington Elementary School	<u>Kari Pratt</u> Hoover Elementary School Rosa Parks Elementary School
<u>Elizabeth Hanke</u> Kennedy Elementary School Bridges Community School INSITE	<u>Patrick Baker</u> Roosevelt Elementary School West High School SUN Program
<u>Liz Ratcliff</u> Prairie Winds Middle School Jefferson Elementary School Eagle Lake Elementary School	

Mrs. Hanke made a motion to accept the resolutions of gifts. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kind and carried on a 7-0 roll call vote.

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING DONATIONS

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes 123B.02, Subd. 6 provides: "The board may receive, for the benefit of the district, bequests, donations, or gifts for any proper purpose and apply the same to the purpose designated. In that behalf, the board may act as trustee of any trust created for the benefit of the district, or the benefit of pupils thereof, including trusts created to provide pupils of the district with advanced education after completion of high school, in the advancement of education."; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes 465.03 provides: "Any city, county, school district or town may accept a grant or devise of real or personal property and maintain such property for the benefit of its citizens in accordance with the terms prescribed by the donor. Nothing herein shall authorize such acceptance or use for religious or sectarian purposes. Every such acceptance shall be by resolution of the governing body adopted by a two-thirds majority of its members, expressing such terms in full."; and

WHEREAS, every such acceptance shall be by resolution of the governing body adopted by a two-thirds majority of its members, expressing such terms in full;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the School Board of Mankato Area Public Schools, ISD77, gratefully accepts the following donations as identified below:

- NextGrad donated \$1,000 for East High School for the NextGrad Scholarship
- Edward Jones donated Backpacks and School Supplies (\$400 value) for Mankato Area Public Schools
- A philanthropic gift from Jean and Tim Bye Family Fund of the Mankato Area Foundation donated \$1,000 for Community Education Connecting Kids Scholarship Program
- A philanthropic gift from Tom and Diane Lentz Charitable Fund of the Mankato Area Foundation donated \$1,000 for Jefferson Elementary School for Student Equipment

Whereupon, said Resolution was declared duly adopted.

The School Board considered a proposal to rename Lincoln Community Center as Lincoln Community School. The proposed name reflects the building's current role as a center for learning and student support through Central High School, Adult Basic Education, Community Education and its designation as a Full-Service Community School. The change also reconnects the facility with its historical identity, as the building originally opened as Lincoln School in 1923. If approved, MAPS staff will coordinate updates to official records, signage, directories, maps and other communications materials to reflect the new name. Mrs. Pratt made a motion to approve the Lincoln Community School name change. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Ratcliff and carried on a 7-0 voice vote.

RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE RENAMING OF LINCOLN COMMUNITY CENTER

WHEREAS, the facility located at **110 Fulton Street**, Mankato, Blue Earth County, Minnesota, is currently designated as the "Lincoln Community Center"; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Mankato Area Public Schools (ISD 77) holds the legal authority under District Policy 810 to approve the naming and renaming of district facilities; and

WHEREAS, the facility, originally established in 1923 as Lincoln School, has evolved to serve the community as a Full-Service Community School, centering the building as a hub for academic, health, and social resources; and

WHEREAS, renaming the facility "Lincoln Community School" accurately aligns the building's name with its current mission and honors its historical roots as a place of learning;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of Mankato Area Public Schools (ISD 77) hereby approves the renaming of the facility located at **110 Fulton Street**, Mankato, Blue Earth County, Minnesota, from "Lincoln Community Center" to "Lincoln Community School," effective July 13, 2026.

The following policies were presented for second reading and approval:

463 - Student Teachers

531 - Student Use and Parking of Motor Vehicles; Patrols, Inspections, and Searches

539 - Eligibility and Training Rules

803 - Warning Systems and Emergency Plans

The revised policies were approved on a motion by Mrs. Ratcliff, second by Mrs. Hanke, and carried on a 7-0 voice vote.

Amanda Heilman, Director of Business Services reviewed the 2027-28 Long-Term Facilities Maintenance Plan. A motion was made by Mrs. Pratt to approve the plan for 2027-28 with total projects of \$4,323,000 (see page _____) and resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Ratcliff and carried on a 7-0 roll call vote.

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 77
ADOPTING THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S FISCAL YEAR (FY) 28
LONG-TERM FACILITIES MAINTENANCE TEN-YEAR PLAN

WHEREAS, to qualify for Long-Term Facilities Maintenance revenue, Minnesota Statutes 2025, section 123B.595, subd. 4 states a school district or intermediate district must annually adopt and approve a ten-year LTFM facilities plan by July 31 for commissioner approval.

WHEREAS, the school district has developed a ten-year Long-Term Facilities Maintenance plan consistent with this law.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the School Board of Independent School District No. 77 approves and adopts the attached ten-year Long-Term Facilities Maintenance plan for FY 28..

In accordance with District Policy 703, the School Board must name a fiscal auditor to audit the financial records of the School District. A proposal has been submitted by our current auditing firm, Clifton Larson Allen LLP to provide this service for the 2025-2026 fiscal year. The base fee is not to exceed \$51,500. Mrs. Ratcliff made a motion to approve the firm of Clifton Larson Allen to serve as

the fiscal auditor for fiscal year 2025-26. The motion was seconded by Mr. Kind and carried on a 7-0 roll vote.

The Facilities Committee reviewed a proposed attendance boundary adjustment for the new residential development located near Evergreen Drive and Madison Avenue. Several families with school-aged children have recently moved into this neighborhood, and assigning these students to Eagle Lake Elementary would better align with the school's proximity and provide a more efficient transportation route. Mrs. Ratcliff made a motion to approve the boundary adjustment. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Pratt and carried on a 7-0 roll call vote.

There being no further business to consider, Mrs. Pratt moved and Ms. Roberts seconded, that the meeting be adjourned. The meeting was declared adjourned at 5:49 p.m., on a 7-0 voice vote.

Clerk _____

Attest:

Chairperson _____

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

July 13, 2026

The School Board of Independent School District No. 77 met in regular session on Monday, July 13, in the Minnesota Valley Room at the Intergovernmental Center. Chair Sinning called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Members present at roll call: Patrick Baker, Elizabeth Hanke, Christopher Kind, Kari Pratt, Liz Ratcliff, Erin Roberts, and Shannon Sinning. Absent: None.

1. Pratt/Ratcliff approval of agenda with personnel addendum. 7-0
2. MAPS Staff Spotlight: Colby Wall
3. Public Comment: No one wished to speak.
4. Information: Spring Student/Staff Recognition; Board Member Reports.
5. Ratcliff/Kind approval of Consent Agenda Items: Approval of Minutes of June 15, 2026, regular meeting; Approval of July Bills; Approval of Personnel; Board Member School Assignments 2026-27. 7-0
6. Hanke/Kind acceptance of gifts. 7-0
7. Pratt/Ratcliff approval of Lincoln Community School name change. 7-0
8. Ratcliff/Hanke approval of second/final reading of board policies. 7-0
9. Pratt/Ratcliff approval of 2027-28 long term facilities maintenance plan. 7-0
10. Ratcliff/Kind approval of Clifton Larson Allen as auditor for fiscal 2025-26. 7-0
11. Ratcliff/Pratt approval of Eagle Lake boundaries addition. 7-0
12. Pratt/Roberts adjournment at 5:49 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.

District Info.	(REQUIRED) Enter Information	District Info.	(REQUIRED) Enter Information
District Name:	Mankato Area Public Schools	Date:	
District Number:	77	Email:	aheilm1@isd77.org
District Contact Name:	Amanda Heilman		
Contact Phone #	507-387-3167		

Expenditure Categories		Fiscal Year (FY) Ending June 30										
		2025 (base year)	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035
Health and Safety - this section excludes project costs in Category 2 of \$100,000 or more for which additional revenue is requested for Finance Codes 358, 363 and 366.												
Finance Code	Category (1)											
347	Physical Hazards	\$69,060	\$160,000	\$220,000	\$220,000	\$220,000	\$220,000	\$220,000	\$220,000	\$220,000	\$220,000	\$220,000
349	Other Hazardous Materials	\$33,911	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$30,000
352	Environmental Health and Safety Management	\$170,991	\$135,000	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000
358	Asbestos Removal and Encapsulation	\$245,130	\$200,000	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$125,000
363	Fire Safety	\$113,602	\$85,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000
366	Indoor Air Quality	\$7,306	\$30,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$40,000
	Total Health and Safety Capital Projects - Category (1)	\$640,000	\$640,000	\$640,000	\$640,000	\$640,000	\$640,000	\$640,000	\$640,000	\$640,000	\$640,000	\$640,000
Health and Safety - Projects Costing \$100,000 or more per Project/Site/Year - Additional Revenue												
Finance Code	Category (2)											
358	Asbestos Removal and Encapsulation	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
363	Fire Safety	\$0	\$0	\$1,265,903	\$400,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
366	Indoor Air Quality	\$0	\$2,131,417	\$25,318,632	\$8,472,764	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Total Health and Safety Capital Projects \$100,000 or More - Category (2)	\$0	\$2,131,417	\$26,584,535	\$8,872,764	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Remodeling for Approved Voluntary Pre-K under Minnesota Statutes, section 124D.151												
Finance Code	Category 3 (a)											
355	Remodeling for prekindergarten (Pre-K) instruction approved by the commissioner.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Total Remodeling for Approved Voluntary Pre-K Projects - Category 3(a)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Remodeling for Gender-Neutral Single-User Restrooms												
Finance/Course Codes	Category 3 (b) LTFM REVENUE EFFECTIVE FY 2025											
Finance Code 384 and Course Code 684 MUST USE BOTH	Remodeling for gender-neutral single user restroom per site.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Total Remodeling for Gender-Neutral Single User Projects - Category 3(b)	\$0	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000
Accessibility												
Finance Code	Category (4)											
367	Accessibility	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Total Accessibility Projects - Category (4)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Deferred Capital Expenditures and Maintenance Projects												
Finance Code	Category (5)											
368	Building Envelope	\$97,689	\$50,000	\$180,000	\$180,000	\$180,000	\$180,000	\$180,000	\$180,000	\$180,000	\$180,000	\$180,000
369	Building Hardware and Equipment	\$586,890	\$164,595	\$282,700	\$282,700	\$282,700	\$282,700	\$282,700	\$282,700	\$282,700	\$282,700	\$282,700
370	Electrical	\$102,283	\$400,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000
379	Interior Surfaces	\$149,355	\$190,978	\$160,300	\$160,300	\$160,300	\$160,300	\$160,300	\$160,300	\$160,300	\$160,300	\$160,300
380	Mechanical Systems	\$396,419	\$100,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000
381	Plumbing	\$47,473	\$60,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000
382	Professional Services and Salary	\$617,280	\$100,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000
383	Roof Systems (normally below \$100,000 unless the school chooses not to receive	\$846,233	\$1,530,380	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000
384	Site Projects	\$229,378	\$477,047	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000
	Total Deferred Capital Expenditures and Maintenance Projects - Category (5)	\$3,073,000	\$3,073,000	\$3,673,000	\$3,673,000	\$3,673,000	\$3,673,000	\$3,673,000	\$3,673,000	\$3,673,000	\$3,673,000	\$3,673,000
Deferred Capital Expenditures for Roofing Projects - Additional Revenue for \$100,000 or more project/site/year												
Finance Code	Category (6)			EFFECTIVE FY								
383	Roofing Systems -pending 2025 Legislation and if passed effective FY 2027			\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Total Deferred Capital Expense and Maintenance - Category (6)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Annual 10-Year Plan Expenditures		\$3,713,000	\$5,854,417	\$30,907,535	\$13,195,764	\$4,323,000	\$4,323,000	\$4,323,000	\$4,323,000	\$4,323,000	\$4,323,000	\$4,323,000
Fund Balance Section												
	Fund 01	FY 25 and 26 Revenue Projection Model Revenue		FY 27 Revenue Projection Model Ten-Year Spreadsheet								
	Beginning Fund Balance 01-467-XX	\$1,511,033	\$4,514,854	\$4,514,854	\$4,514,854	\$4,514,854	\$4,514,854	\$4,514,854	\$4,514,854	\$4,514,854	\$4,514,854	\$4,514,854
	LTFM Fiscal Year Revenue - Levy	\$878,731	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	LTFM Fiscal Year Revenue - AID if Applicable	\$5,848,090	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	LTFM Fiscal Year Revenue Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	LTFM Transfer IN from Fund 06 if applicable (see transfer guidance tab)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
LEVY Page 10, Line 421	LTFM Deduction for applicable Cooperative/Intermediate Member District Levy	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	LTFM Transfer OUT from Fund 01 if applicable (see transfer guidance tab)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	LTFM Transfer OUT if applicable - Special Legislation	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	LTFM Estimated Fiscal Year Expenditures	\$3,723,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ending Fiscal Year Fund Balance 01-467-XX		\$4,514,854	\$4,514,854	\$4,514,854	\$4,514,854	\$4,514,854	\$4,514,854	\$4,514,854	\$4,514,854	\$4,514,854	\$4,514,854	\$4,514,854
	Fund 06											
	Beginning Fund Balance 06-467-XX	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	LTFM Fiscal Year Bonded Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	LTFM Fiscal Year Revenue Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	LTFM Transfer IN from Fund 01 if applicable (see transfer guidance tab)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	LTFM Transfer OUT from Fund 06 if applicable (see transfer guidance tab)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Other Transfers	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	LTFM Estimated Fiscal Year Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ending Fiscal Year Fund Balance 06-467-XX		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
End of worksheet												