

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

April 15, 2025

A Tax Abatement Hearing was held at the Worthington High School Band Room, 1211 Clary Street, Worthington, Minnesota on April 15, 2025, at 6:10 p.m. Hearing adjourned at 6:12 p.m.

A regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. 518, Worthington, Minnesota, was held at the Worthington High School Band Room, 1211 Clary Street, Worthington, Minnesota on April 15, 2025, at 6:15 p.m.

The following were present: BOARD MEMBERS – Adam Blume, Erin Schutte, Darla Agard, Ann Mills, Eric Parrish, Lori Dudley; Absent-Matt Widboom

ADMINISTRATORS – John Landgaard, Superintendent, Josh Noble, Assistant Superintendent, Carmen Johnson, Human Resources Director

Correspondence and Recognition: The board recognized the following employees/students: FCCLA (Family, Career and Community Leaders of America) Member Hser Hla in receiving a top gold medal on her project and the MN chapter spark award for her local work and efforts and Jacqueline Perez Ventura, Kendra Sandoval Lopez and Wendy Vincente in also receiving a top gold medal and advancement to nationals. Congratulations to Gisel Martinez in placing 3rd in the Section 2AA Speech team meet, which earned her a trip to the state speech tournament. Congratulations to Worthington Middle School 6th grade writer, Elizabeth Gomez Monterroso on receiving 3rd place for her written composition at the 21st Annual SWWC Creative Writing Contest. Congratulations to 5th Grade student DeLonnie Cummings on receiving 2nd place in the Southwest Minnesota Spelling Bee. Congratulations to Junior Aiden Harwood on being selected and performing with the National Honor Choir at the National 2025 American Choral Directors Assn. in Dallas, Texas. Congratulations to Jacari Swinea for being named to the Big South All Conference Boys Basketball Team. Congratulations to Mr. Landgaard for being recognized at the Minnesota Association for School Administrators for his service to MASA. The board recognized Dave Skog and John Landgaard for their years of service with donated pavers for the Trojan field legacy wall. Kerry Johnson and the music teachers presented a plaque to John Landgaard for supporting the music program.

A presentation was given by Sharon Johnson, Community Education Director regarding Community Education.

1. Motion by Member Dudley, seconded by Member Mills and unanimously passed to approve the Consent Agenda for the April 15, 2025, School Board meeting.
2. Motion by Member Dudley, seconded by Member Mills and unanimously passed to approve the Main Agenda for the April 15, 2025, School Board meeting.
3. Motion by Member Parrish, seconded by Member Mills and unanimously passed to approve the March 18, 2025, Regular School Board meeting minutes and the April 8, 2025, Special School Board meeting minutes.

Motion by Member Parrish, seconded by Member Mills and unanimously passed to accept the school board committee meeting minutes as received.

4. Motion by Member Dudley, seconded by Member Mills and unanimously passed to approve the action of the items on the Consent Agenda as follows:

4.1 Financial Reports -

- A. Approved Investments Matured and Purchased
- B. Approved Wire Transfers
- C. Approved Claims and Accounts for April 15, 2025, as per Board Check Register

	<u>April 15, 2025</u>
GENERAL FUND	\$2,272,815.75
FOOD SERVICE	\$168,646.26
TRANSPORTATION	\$116,470.89
COMMUNITY SERVICE	\$56,842.91
CAPITAL OUTLAY	\$30,897.62
TRUST	\$21,770.95
NCIC	\$3,624.61
STUDENT ACTIVITY	<u>\$32,304.50</u>
MONTH TOTAL	\$2,703,373.49

- D. Approved the Community Education Imprest Cash Account in the amount of \$0 for March 2025.

- 4.2.1. Approved resignation of Sarah Robbins as Intervention/Instructional Coach with the VIBE Program effective June 3, 2025.
- 4.2.2. Approved resignation of Jill Spiegelhoff as Life and Physical Science Teacher at the Middle School effective the end of the 2024-2025 school year.
- 4.2.3. Approved resignation of Brenda Oberloh as Class I Paraprofessional at Prairie Elementary effective May 30, 2025.
- 4.2.4. Approved resignation of Cory Sheldahl as Math Teacher at the High School effective June 3, 2025.
- 4.2.5. Approved resignation of Juliana Espinoza as Class I Paraprofessional at Prairie Elementary effective May 30, 2025.
- 4.2.6. Approved resignation of Kiana Leighty as High School Assistant Volleyball Coach effective April 1, 2025.
- 4.2.7. Approved resignation of Zach Brandt as High School National Honors Society Advisor effective June 3, 2025.
- 4.2.8. Approved termination of Carla Osornio as NCIC Summer Facilitator effective March 21, 2025.
- 4.2.9. Approved resignation of Dina Lubben as Human Resources Coordinator effective April 18, 2025.
- 4.2.10. Approved resignation of Craig Pint as Transportation Paraprofessional effective April 28, 2025.
- 4.3.1. Approved an .083 FTE overload (term 4) for Kelli Borrero as EL Teacher at the High School effective March 31, 2025.
- 4.3.2. Approved an .083 FTE overload (term 4) for Paul Barduson as EL Teacher at the High School effective March 31, 2025.
- 4.3.3. Approved an .083 FTE overload (term 4) for Penny Troe as Business Teacher at the High School effective March 31, 2025.
- 4.3.4. Approved employment of Connie Dallenbach as Head Cook at Prairie Elementary effective July 1, 2025.
- 4.3.5. Approved employment of Sherri Harder as Homebound Teacher at the Learning Center effective March 19, 2025.
- 4.3.6. Approved employment of Molly Scheidt as Gymnastics Aide with Community Education effective March 24, 2025.

- 4.3.7. Approved employment of Brooklyn Dykstra as Gymnastics Aide with Community Education effective March 24, 2025.
- 4.3.8. Approved employment of Mariah Teerink as Targeted Services EDGE Rover Teacher at Prairie Elementary effective March 20, 2025.
- 4.3.9. Approved employment of Alea Al-Juhari as School Psychologist at Prairie Elementary effective August 11, 2025.
- 4.3.10. Approved employment of Emily McKenney as Speech Language Pathologist at the Intermediate School effective August 11, 2025.
- 4.3.11. Approved employment of Gladys Aldana Esparza as ELL Teacher at the Intermediate School effective August 11, 2025.
- 4.3.12. Approved employment of Taylor Huisman as ASD Teacher at the Intermediate School effective August 11, 2025.
- 4.3.13. Approved employment of Ariadne Barrera-Cerda as ELL Teacher at the Intermediate School effective August 11, 2025.
- 4.3.14. Approved employment of Wyatt Adolph as Summer Custodian at the High School effective June 2, 2025.
- 4.3.15. Approved employment of Destiny Bueno as Summer Custodian at the High School effective June 2, 2025.
- 4.3.16. Approved employment of Elizabeth Rodriguez Duarte as Summer Custodian at the High School effective June 2, 2025.
- 4.3.17. Approved employment of Melissa Delgado-Ventura as Summer Custodian at the High School effective June 2, 2025.
- 4.3.18. Approved employment of Mikayla Hendrickson as Summer Custodian at the High School effective June 2, 2025.
- 4.3.19. Approved employment of Michelle Miller as Summer Custodian at the High School effective June 2, 2025.
- 4.3.20. Approved employment of Michelle Rangel as Summer Custodian at the High School effective June 2, 2025.
- 4.3.21. Approved employment of Leticia Rivera Martinez as Summer Custodian at the High School effective June 2, 2025.
- 4.3.22. Approved employment of Trisha Smith as Summer Custodian at the High School effective June 2, 2025.
- 4.3.23. Approved employment of Sarah Lowe as Summer Custodian at the High School effective June 2, 2025.
- 4.3.24. Approved employment of Ana Hernandez as Summer Custodian at the High School effective June 2, 2025.
- 4.3.25. Approved employment of Joan Pater as IT Summer Help effective May 27, 2025.
- 4.3.26. Approved employment of Tucker Sorenson as Summer Custodian at the Intermediate School effective June 4, 2025.
- 4.3.27. Approved employment of Kayla Rodenberg as Summer Custodian at the Intermediate School effective June 4, 2025.
- 4.3.28. Approved employment of Azael Rodriguez as Summer Custodian at the Intermediate School effective June 4, 2025.
- 4.3.29. Approved employment of Jonathan Perez Perez as Summer Custodian at the Intermediate School effective June 4, 2025.
- 4.3.30. Approved employment of America Barrera Garcia as Summer Custodian at the Intermediate School effective June 4, 2025.
- 4.3.31. Approved employment of Josselin Perez Perez as Summer Custodian at Community Education effective June 4, 2025.
- 4.3.32. Approved employment of Jesus Hurtado as Summer Custodian at Community Education effective June 4, 2025.
- 4.3.33. Approved employment of Friday Htoo as Summer Custodian at Community Education effective June 4, 2025.

- 4.3.34. Approved employment of Martha Bravo as Summer Custodian at Community Education effective June 4, 2025.
- 4.3.35. Approved employment of CJ Nelson as Middle School Track Coach effective April 7, 2025.
- 4.3.36. Approved employment of Barb DeGroot, Dawn Kopplow and Araceli Barajas Segoviano as Summer Food Service employees effective June 4, 2025.

- 4.4 The board approved the acceptance of the following donations for the month of March 2025: American Bank and Trust for Trojan Athletics; Dominic Burns for BPA Nationals; Rock Nobles Cattlemen Association for FFA; Schwartz Farms for Class of 26; Eagles Club for Class of 26 and Kari Owens and FSBSW for Middle School music department.
- 4.5 Approved the establishment of Worthington Public School District 518 as of August 1874.
- 4.6 Approved summer school staff.

- 5. Motion by Member Dudley, seconded by Member Mills and unanimously passed to approve second reading of Policy 704 Development and Maintenance of an Inventory of Fixed Assets and a Fixed Asset Accounting System.”
- 6. Motion by Member Mills, seconded by Member Parrish to approve Resolution #1 Approving Tax Abatement for Certain Property Pursuant to Minn.Stat.469.1813. Motion passed by roll call vote 6 to 0. Resolution is on file at the District Office.
- 7. Motion by Member Parrish, seconded by Member Schutte to approve Resolution #2 Approving Tax Abatement for Certain Property Pursuant to Minn.Stat.469.1813. Motion passed by roll call vote 6 to 0. Resolution is on file at the District Office.
- 8. Motion by Member Dudley, seconded by Member Mills to approve the Termination and Nonrenewal of the Teaching Contract of Josh Beebout a probationary teacher. Motion passed by roll call vote 5 to 0 with Member Schutte abstaining. Resolution is on file at the District Office.
- 9. Motion by Member Dudley, seconded by Member Mills to approve the Termination and Nonrenewal of the Teaching Contract of Megan Martin a probationary teacher. Motion passed by roll call vote 5 to 0 with Member Schutte abstaining. Resolution is on file at the District Office.
- 10. Motion by Member Dudley, seconded by Member Mills to approve the Termination and Nonrenewal of the Teaching Contract of Elizabeth Johnson a probationary teacher. Motion passed by roll call vote 5 to 0 with Member Schutte abstaining. Resolution is on file at the District Office.
- 11. Motion by Member Dudley, seconded by Member Mills to approve the Termination and Nonrenewal of the Teaching Contract of Jacob Maertens a probationary teacher. Motion passed by roll call vote 5 to 0 with Member Schutte abstaining. Resolution is on file at the District Office.
- 12. Motion by Member Dudley, seconded by Member Mills to approve the Termination and Nonrenewal of the Teaching Contract of Brenda Paulzine a probationary teacher. Motion passed by roll call vote 5 to 0 with Member Schutte abstaining. Resolution is on file at the District Office.
- 13. Motion by Member Dudley, seconded by Member Mills to approve the Termination and Nonrenewal of the Teaching Contract of Arlett Rodriguez a probationary teacher. Motion passed by roll call vote 5 to 0 with Member Schutte abstaining. Resolution is on file at the District Office.
- 14. Motion by Member Dudley, seconded by Member Mills to approve the Termination and Nonrenewal of the Teaching Contract of Mariah Teerink a probationary teacher. Motion passed by roll call vote 5 to 0 with Member Schutte abstaining. Resolution is on file at the District Office.

15. Motion by Member Dudley, seconded by Member Mills to approve the Termination and Nonrenewal of the Teaching Contract of Anna Van Zee a probationary teacher. Motion passed by roll call vote 5 to 0 with Member Schutte abstaining. Resolution is on file at the District Office.
16. Motion by Member Dudley, seconded by Member Mills to approve the Termination and Nonrenewal of the Teaching Contract of Teresa Wede a probationary teacher. Motion passed by roll call vote 5 to 0 with Member Schutte abstaining. Resolution is on file at the District Office.
17. Motion by Member Dudley, seconded by Member Mills to approve the Termination and Nonrenewal of the Teaching Contract of Susan Berge a probationary teacher. Motion passed by roll call vote 5 to 0 with Member Schutte abstaining. Resolution is on file at the District Office.
18. Motion by Member Dudley, seconded by Member Mills to approve the Termination and Nonrenewal of the Teaching Contract of Elizabeth Chan a probationary teacher. Motion passed by roll call vote 5 to 0 with Member Schutte abstaining. Resolution is on file at the District Office.
19. Motion by Member Parrish, seconded by Member Agard and unanimously passed to approve Prairie Elementary soccer field lease with the City of Worthington in the amount of \$1.00.
20. Motion by Member Mills, seconded by Member Schutte and unanimously passed to approve authorization by the School Board to accept a quit claim deed from SMOC and authorize the Chair and Secretary to execute a warranty deed to SMOC.
21. Motion by Member Dudley, seconded by Member Mills to approve an MOU with Education Minnesota Worthington on health insurance. Motion passed 5 to 0 with Member Parrish abstaining.
22. Motion by Member Agard, seconded by Member Schutte and unanimously passed to approve the purchase of 25 lap top computers and 31 tower computers at a cost of \$109,075.00.
23. Motion by Member Mills, seconded by Member Dudley and unanimously passed to approve to declare a 2008 Dodge truck as surplus property.

The Board further discussed and reviewed the following matters: Investments and financial status; Superintendent's Report – Mr. Landgaard reported the following: Thanked the current and former board members and the music staff for the recognition. Instructional Committee Report – Ms. Dudley reported the following: The committee received a legislative update from Mr. Landgaard. Operations Committee Report – Ms. Schutte reported the following: None. Other Reports – High School renovations committee discussion. Other Business – None. Future Business – None.

Meeting adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

Matt Widboom, Clerk

Lisa Ahrenstorff, Deputy Clerk