

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 195  
Randolph, Minnesota 55065

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

May 19, 2025

- 1) The Randolph School Board met in regular session on Monday, May 19, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. in Conference Room 1. Gary Moorhouse called the meeting to order. Directors present: Gary Moorhouse, Cory Lorenzen, Jason Podritz, Regina Wernimont, Leah Radman, and Scott Otte. Administrators present: Michael Kelley, Mike Schmidt and Rio Severson. Administrators absent: Matt Rutledge and Patty Riemenschneider. Staff Members present: Kathy Stauffer and Reanna Anderson.
- 2) A motion to approve the agenda as established, was made by Jason Podritz, seconded by Leah Radman. All members voting in favor.
- 3) A motion was made by Regina Wernimont, seconded by Scott Otte, to approve the following consent agenda items:
  - 3.1) Minutes of the Regular School Board meeting held April 22, 2025, as presented.
  - 3.2) April, 2025, financial reports.All members voting in favor.
- 4) Member, Cory Lorenzen, introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION FOR ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS**

WHEREAS the following have been generously donated:

- Brantley McCarty's Family – 4 livestock garden tanks – for Ag Department
- Royle Family – yard of garden soil – for Ag Department
- Happy Harry's Furniture - \$679.40 – for Randolph School Scholarships
- Prom Donations - \$11,264.00 in cash and \$3,437.00 in gifts

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member, Leah Radman.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Randolph School Board to gratefully accept these gifts.

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

Jason Podritz, Leah Radman, Cory Lorenzen, Regina Wernimont, Scott Otte, Gary Moorhouse

and the following voted against the same: None

whereupon said resolution was declared and duly passed and adopted.

- 5) Reanna Anderson gave a report on the student Spanish Trip to Belize. Some of the highlights included:
  - Lamanai and Xunantunich Mayan ruins
  - Snorkeling in the Hol Chan Marine Reserve
  - Mangrove forests with giant iguanas
  - Zip lining through the jungle
  - Medicinal plants from the jungle
  - Rio Frio River and Big Rock Falls
  - Secret Beach
  - Learning the culture!
- 6) A motion was made by Jason Podritz, seconded by Leah Radman to approve the Randolph School fees for 2025-2026. All members voting in favor.
- 7) A motion was made by Regina Wernimont, seconded by Scott Otte to approve the overnight trip requests for FFA this summer. All members voting in favor.
- 8) Rio Severson, Interim Special Education Director, reported on Extended School Year (ESY) this summer; Special Education Advisory Council with parents; Paraprofessional & Department Meetings; Referral Process/Resources; Tuition Billing; Launch for Success – received a one-time \$10,000 that will be used for a structured Junior High Study Hall next school year.
- 9) Mike Schmidt, Assistant High School Principal/Activities Director, reported on the FFA State Convention; FFA Banquet; Spring Music Concert/Art Show; 2024-2025 Fundraiser Review; Congratulations to Carter Raymond for achieving 1,000 Career Strikeouts in Softball! (Only 2 active pitchers in the state); spring sports playoff updates; high school now has courses with three sections in the Master Schedule (thanks to Samantha Stoker for her help with scheduling!)
- 10) Michael Kelley, Superintendent, reported we have received our \$667,501.28 insurance check for the hail damage; Indoor Air Quality reviewed our maintenance plan; gym floors will be refinished in the fall, after volleyball; summer workers we will have 3 or 4 paraprofessional and 16 students; we have \$106,000 to spend on foodservice equipment; the Baseball Association received

donations including: Zippy's Construction, Interstate Lumber, Cemstone and Rick Olson for the baseball concession stand; State of the District meeting for all staff; Kindergarten numbers for 2025-2026; School Constructed House Open House was tonight and Eric Ruud will be listing the house on Wednesday for \$524,900; we have contracted with Megan Dallma for our School Psychologist position for 2025-2026.

- 11) The School Board reported on the Personnel Committee Meeting and the Building & Grounds Committee Meeting – both held on May 19.
- 12) A motion was made by Jason Podritz, seconded by Cory Lorenzen to approve Elijah Leer's resignation from his Vocal Music Teaching position at the end of the 2024-2025 school year. All members voting in favor.
- 13) A motion was made by Regina Wernimont, seconded by Jason Podritz to approve Andrew Bealles resignation from his Girl's Assistant Basketball Coaching position. All members voting in favor.
- 14) A motion was made by Scott Otte, seconded by Leah Radman, to approve Deanna Shellen's resignation from her Speech Director position. All members voting in favor.
- 15) A motion was made by Jason Podritz, seconded by Leah Radman, to approve Salena Leonard's resignation from her Speech Assistant Coaching position. All members voting in favor.
- 16) A motion was made by Regina Wernimont, seconded by Jason Podritz, to approve Janice Thompson's retirement from her Foodservice position after 8 years, effective May 29, 2025. Mr. Kelley said Janice is a great lady. All members voting in favor.
- 17) A motion was made by Cory Lorenzen, seconded by Leah Radman, to approve Rose Drinken's retirement from her Paraprofessional/Media Center Position after 12 years, effective May 29, 2025. Mr. Kelley said Rose has been a very loyal employee. All members voting in favor.
- 18) A motion was made by Scott Otte, seconded by Leah Radman, to approve Taylor Everson's leave of absence from her elementary teaching position starting approximately October 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025 for 12 weeks (possibly 20 weeks). All members voting in favor.
- 19) A motion was made by Regina Wernimont, seconded by Leah Radman, to hire Josie Onken for the High School Special Education Resource Teacher position for 2025-2026. All members voting in favor.

- 20) A motion was made by Jason Podritz, seconded by Cory Lorenzen, to hire Ashlee Nicolai for the Elementary School Special Education Resource Teacher position for 2025-2026. All members voting in favor.
- 21) A motion was made by Regina Wernimont, seconded by Leah Radman, to approve the contract change for Emily Werner, from Business Education Teacher to Business Manager for the 2025-2026 school year. All members voting in favor.
- 22) A motion was made by Jason Podritz, seconded by Scott Otte, to approve the 2024-2025 Summer FFA Stipend for Sara Wagner. All members voting in favor.
- 23) Member, Jason Podritz, introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption:

**RESOLUTION APPROVING INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 917'S LONG-TERM FACILITY MAINTENANCE PROGRAM BUDGET AND AUTHORIZING THE INCLUSION OF A PROPORTIONATE SHARE OF THOSE PROJECTS IN THE DISTRICT'S APPLICATION FOR LONG-TERM FACILITY MAINTENANCE REVENUE**

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District #195, State of Minnesota, as follows:

1. The School Board of Intermediate School District 917 has approved a long-term facility maintenance program budget for its facilities for the 2026-2027 school year in the amount of \$421,100.00 of which our District #195's proportionate share is \$5,555.48. The various components of this program budget are attached as Exhibit A here to and are incorporated herein by reference. Said budget is hereby approved.
2. Minnesota Statutes, Section 123B.57, Subdivision 1, as amended, provides that if an intermediate school district's long-term facility maintenance budget is approved by the school boards of each of the intermediate school district's member school districts, each member district may include its proportionate share of the costs of the intermediate school district program in its long-term facility maintenance revenue application.
3. The proportionate share of the costs of the intermediate school district's long-term facility maintenance program for each member school district to be included in its application shall be determined by multiplying the total cost of the intermediate school district long-term facility maintenance program times a formula that weights two components equally between the member districts; total net tax capacity and Adjusted pupil units. The long-term facility maintenance costs shall be funded through annual levy instead of issuing bonds. The inclusion of

this proportionate share in the district's long-term facility maintenance revenue application for fiscal year 2027 is hereby approved, subject to approval by the Commissioner of Education.

4. Upon receipt of the proportionate share of long-term facility maintenance revenue attributable to the intermediate school district program, the district shall promptly pay to the intermediate school district the applicable aid or levy proceeds.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member, Leah Radman, and, upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor thereof:

Jason Podritz, Leah Radman, Cory Lorenzen, Regina Wernimont, Scott Otte, Gary Moorhouse

And the following voted against the same:

None

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

- 24) A motion was made by Regina Wernimont, seconded by Cory Lorenzen, to approve the change to Policy 551 – Randolph School District Cooperative Athletic Policy. All members voting in favor.
- 25) A motion was made by Cory Lorenzen, seconded by Jason Podritz, to approve the following handbooks for 2025-2026:
  - Elementary Student and Parent Handbook
  - High School Student and Parent Handbook
  - Indoor Air Quality Handbook

All members voting in favor.

- 26) A motion was made by Regina Wernimont, seconded by Leah Radman to approve keeping the following inactive student activity accounts open:
  - Annual
  - Cheerleaders
  - Knowledge Bowl
  - Spanish Trip
  - Danceline
  - Fellowship of Christian Athletes

All members voting in favor.

- 27) A motion to adjourn was made by Jason Podritz, seconded by Cory Lorenzen. All members voting in favor.

Clerk: Cory Lorenzen