

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 195  
Randolph, Minnesota 55065

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

October 20, 2025

- 1) The Randolph School Board met in regular session on Monday, October 20, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. in Conference Room 1. Gary Moorhouse called the meeting to order. Directors present: Gary Moorhouse, Jason Podritz, Cory Lorenzen, Leah Radman, Regina Wernimont, and Scott Otte. Administrators present: Michael Kelley, Mike Schmidt, Trina Bilderback, Rio Severson. Staff Member present: Brienna Mulvihill.
- 2) A motion to approve the agenda as established was made by Jason Podritz, seconded by Scott Otte. All members voting in favor.
- 3) A motion was made by Regina Wernimont, seconded by Leah Radman to approve the following consent agenda items:
  - 3.1) Minutes of the Regular School Board meeting held September 15, 2025, as presented.
  - 3.2) September, 2025, check register and cash & investments.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:

- BTD Manufacturing – \$200.00 – Marissa Knapp’s Classroom
- Dave Aamoth - \$1,000.00 – Randolph Athletics
- Christopher & Alicia Makoutz - \$1,500.00 (\$500 for each of their children’s classrooms – Kelsey Frandrup, Taylor Everson, Brienna Mulvihill)

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by Member, Scott Otte.

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) Mike Schmidt, High School Principal/Athletic Director, reported Tackle Cancer met their \$70,000 goal and are still counting! \$14,000 was also raised for Birgitte Thaemert! Softball foul poles/flag poles will be going in this week; Hudl Livestream had 7,700 viewers with 20,000 views; Parent/Teacher Conferences recap; Randolph School Promotion.
- 6) Rio Severson, Assistant High School Principal/Special Education Director, reported 18 have signed up for the PSAT on October 28<sup>th</sup>; Unity Day (bullying prevention) is October 22; Special Education Advisory Council (SEAC) 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting in November – 50% parents, 50% special education staff; Safety Care Training – 90% crisis prevention training, de-escalation.
- 7) Michael Kelley, Superintendent, reported High School Credit Recovery , ALC, ALP – might look at this in the future; PSEO/504 Annual List review; no quote yet for the fence by the pond; attended Tax Workshop with Trina Bilderback on September 22 – base formula 2025-2026 \$7,481, 2026-2027 \$7,705; attended Law Conference with Rio Severson on October 3 – Laura Booth gave a good presentation; attended Paid Family Medical Leave Seminar last week; septic design for school house is ready; gym floors will be refinished October 30<sup>th</sup>; Read Act – searching curriculum.
- 8) The School Board reported on the Personnel Committee Meeting held on October 20.
- 9) A motion was made by Jason Podritz, seconded by Cory Lorenzen to approve Karen Volkert's retirement from her Paraprofessional position effective November 25, 2025. All members voting in favor.
- 10) A motion was made by Leah Radman, seconded by Scott Otte to approve Lori Banitt's retirement from her Paraprofessional position effective December 23, 2025. All members voting in favor.
- 11) A motion was made by Jason Podritz, seconded by Leah Radman to approve LuAnn Gieschen's retirement from her Paraprofessional position. All members voting in favor.
- 12) A motion was made by Cory Lorenzen, seconded by Leah Radman to approve hiring Janine Kimmes for an Elementary Title/Special Education Paraprofessional position beginning October 9, 2025. All members voting in favor.

- 13) A motion was made by Jason Podritz, seconded by Cory Lorenzen to approve hiring Leslie Gilbertson for an Elementary Special Education Paraprofessional position. All members voting in favor.
- 14) A motion was made by Scott Otte, seconded by Leah Radman to approve hiring Kyle Volkert for the Boy's Assistant Basketball Coach position for the 2025-2026 school year. All members voting in favor.
- 15) A motion was made by Leah Radman, seconded by Jason Podritz to approve hiring Mackenna Otte for the Assistant Softball Coach position for the 2025-2026 school year. All members voting in favor.
- 16) A motion was made by Cory Lorenzen, seconded by Scott Otte to approve hiring Barret Freeland for the Girl's Assistant Basketball Coach position for the 2025-2026 school year. All members voting in favor.
- 17) A motion was made by Cory Lorenzen, seconded by Leah Radman to approve hiring the following extra-curricular coaches for 2025-2026 winter season:

- Cameron Quade – Head Boys' Basketball Coach
- Jeff Ford – Assistant Boys' Basketball Coach
- Kyle Volkert – Assistant Boys' Basketball Coach
- TBD – two Junior High Boys' Basketball Coaches
- Mackenna Otte – Head Girls' Basketball Coach
- Grace McGinnis – Assistant Girls' Basketball Coach
- Barret Freeland – Assistant Girls' Basketball Coach
- Lauren Bernhardson – Junior High Girls' Basketball Coach
- Gabby Geissler – Junior High Girls' Basketball Coach
- Allison Hering – Speech Director
- Olivia Kramer – Assistant Speech
- Rich Qualey – Co-Senior High Knowledge Bowl Coach
- Elliott Mann – Co-Senior High Knowledge Bowl Coach
- Cory Lorenzen – Volunteer Boys' Basketball Coach
- Marissa Nelson – Volunteer Girls' Basketball Coach
- Sadie Schuft – Volunteer Theatre Director

All members voting in favor.

- 18) A motion was made by Jason Podritz, seconded by Leah Radman to approve an additional fundraiser for the Speech Team – Gerten's Holiday Greens and Poinsettias. Orders can be made online through October 27<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds will go towards competition fees, travel expenses and coaching resources. All members voting in favor.

19) A motion was made by Jason Podritz, seconded by Leah Radman to approve the revisions to the following policies:

- 414 – Mandated Reporting on Child Neglect or Physical or Sexual Abuse
- 563 – Randolph School Special Dietary Requirements
- 624 – Online Instruction
- 802 – Disposition of Obsolete Equipment and Material

All members voting in favor.

20) A motion was made by Regina Wernimont, seconded by Jason Podritz to approve the Restrictive Procedures Plan presented by Rio Severson. All members voting in favor.

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

Clerk: Cory Lorenzen