



**TO:** Northeast Metro 916 Board of Education

**FROM:** Dr. Val Rae Boe

**DATE:** June 8, 2026

**RE:** June 3 Board of Education Meeting Talking Points

Members present: Knisely-12, Palmer-13, Jones-14, Forsberg-16, Striker-282, Bock-621, Clark-623, Stout-832, Dols-833 and Thelander-834.

Members absent: Nitardy-622, Thompson-624, and Rebelein-831.

### **Staff Recognitions**

- Jean Anderson, Teacher at WELS, provided the school district with 28 years of service.
- Sarah Kusterman, Education Assistant Specialist at South Campus, provided the school district with 32 years of service.
- Tim O'Connor, Education Assistant Specialist at WELS, provided the school district with 18 years of service.

### **School Board Policies:**

- Approval of School Board Policies: 416, 416 Forms, and 417.
- Adopted Proposed Policy Modifications: 104, 401, 404, 406, 406 Form, 410, 515, and 722.

**FY27 Budget:** The School Board approved the 2026-27 budget of \$96,406,000.

**FY27 Intermediate District Tuition, Membership, and Access Fees:** The School Board voted to approve increases in access fees, membership fees, and tuition rates for the FY27 school year.

### **Approval of Contracts:**

- **Food Service Agreements:** Approved the food service agreements for the 2026-27 school year with Columbia Heights (Metro Heights Academy), White Bear Lake (Bellaire, Mahtomedi Academy, and South Campus), Roseville (Quora Education Center), Stillwater (Pankalo)

- **Avanti Center:** Approved a one-year agreement with the Avanti Center to provide educational services for adolescent clients with emotional and/or behavioral disorders who are admitted to the Avanti Center.
- **Bamboo Professionals:** Approved a one-year contract with Bamboo Professionals to provide prevention, intervention, postvention, and resiliency services to staff at 916. This contract is funded by Aware and Innovation Grants.
- **Kelly Services:** Approved a two year contract with Kelly Services to fill Teacher, Education Assistant Specialist and Education Assistant absences with qualified substitutes.
- **CDW Quote:** Approved the CDW quote in the amount of \$278,283.25 to replace all of the orders for staff windows laptops, and student Chromebooks, as well as some ancillary accessories and devices, for all 916 programs.
- **Apple Quote:** Approved the Apple quote in the amount of \$119,223.00 to replace all of the orders for staff and student Apple devices, as well as some ancillary accessories and devices, for all 916 programs.
- **High Point Quote:** Approved the High Point quote in the amount of \$86,465.64 to replace existing end of life wireless network equipment, cloud services, and yearly licensing.
- **916 Administrative Support Staff Local 284:** Approved the contract between the School District and Local 284 for the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2027.
- **916 Employees Managers and Assistant Managers Group:** Approved the contract between the School District and the 916 Employees Managers and Assistant Managers Group for the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2027.
- **Education Assistant Federation Local 2343:** Approved the contract between the School District and Education Assistant Federation Local 2343 for the period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2028.