



Independent School District 761
Regular School Board Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 26, 2026 5:30 PM

Charles S Crandall Center
Chambers
540 West Hills Circle
Owatonna, MN 55060

- I. Call to Order
Present: Elizabeth Hedlund, Timothy Jensen, Ron Kubicek, Jolayne Mohs, Mark Sebring, Andrea Van Gelder, Lori Weisenburger

Superintendent Tammy Champa and Student Representatives Ayoub Farah and Lowell Schultz were also present.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Approval of Agenda
Motion by Sebring, second by Mohs that the Board approve an amended agenda, adding item X. L., Letter of Understanding Regarding the READ Act.
AYE Unanimous
Motion carried.
- IV. Mission Moment
Superintendent Champa recognized cabinet members Chris Picha, Julie Sullivan, Bob Olson, Mark Stotts, Deb McDermott-Johnson, and Shari Mensink for their exceptional leadership, dedication, and unwavering commitment to our students, staff, and community.
- V. Public Forum
- VI. Reports
VI.A. 2025-2026 Amended Budget
Director of Finance and Operations Mark Stotts and Controller Sarah Brandt presented the 2025-2026 amended budget.
- VII. Item(s): General Information
VII.A. Enrollment Report
- VIII. Item(s): For Discussion - No Action Required by the Board
VIII.A. Board Forum
 - VIII.A.1. School Board Committee Meeting Reports
 - VIII.A.2. School Board Work Session Report
VIII.B. Administrative Report
 - VIII.B.1. Cadence of Accountability
- IX. Consent Agenda: Board Action Requested

Motion by Mohs, second by Jensen that the Board approve the consent agenda as presented.

Roll call vote: All voted in favor

Motion carried.

IX.A. Minutes from April 27, 2026 and May 11, 2026

IX.B. Disbursement Report

IX.C. Personnel Report

X. Item(s): Board Action Requested

X.A. 2025-2026 Amended Budget (*High Quality Teaching & Learning*)

Motion by Weisenburger, second by Hedlund that the Board approve the 2025-2026 amended budget as presented.

AYE Unanimous

Motion carried.

X.B. Resolution to Decommit Funds

Motion by Hedlund, second by Weisenburger that the Board approve the Resolution to Decommit Funds as presented.

Roll call vote: All voted in favor

Motion carried.

X.C. New Student School Board Representative (*Equity*)

Motion by Van Gelder, second by Mohs that Greta Veldman be appointed as a student school board representative.

AYE Unanimous

Motion carried.

X.D. 2025-2026 School Calendar (*High Quality Teaching and Learning*)

Motion by Jensen, second by Van Gelder that the Board approve the final 2025-2026 school calendar as presented.

AYE Unanimous

Motion carried.

X.E. Policy Revisions (*Second Reading/Consideration for Approval*)

Motion by Jensen, second by Weisenburger that the Board approve policy 110 and 625 as presented.

AYE Unanimous

Motion carried.

X.F. Minnesota State High School League Membership

Motion by Mohs, second by Jensen that the Board approve the 2026-2027 Resolution for Membership in the Minnesota State High School League.

Roll call vote:

AYE 6 (Kubicek, Jensen, Van Gelder, Mohs, Sebring, Weisenburger)

NAY 1 (Hedlund)

Motion carried.

X.G. Identified Official with Authority to Authorize User Access to MDE

Secure Websites

Motion by Weisenburger, second by Jensen that the Board authorize

Superintendent Tamara Champa to act as the Identified Official with Authority

(IOwA) for Owatonna Public School District 761.

AYE Unanimous

Motion carried.

X.H. Insurance Renewal

Motion by Van Gelder, second by Jensen that the Board accept the self-insured health insurance renewal with Blue Cross Blue Shield as presented.

AYE Unanimous

Motion carried.

X.I. Extended Trip Request to Costa Rica and Panama

Motion by Hedlund, second by Van Gelder that the Board approve the trip request to Costa Rica and Panama as presented.

AYE Unanimous

Motion carried.

X.J. Resolution Establishing Dates for Filing Affidavits of Candidacy

Motion by Jensen, second by Mohs that the Board approve the Resolution Establishing Dates for Filing Affidavits of Candidacy as presented.

Roll call vote: All voted in favor

Motion carried.

X.K. Gifts to the District

Motion by Kubicek, second by Hedlund that the Board approve the Resolution for Acceptance of Gifts as presented.

Roll call vote: All voted in favor

Motion carried.

X.L. Letter of Understanding for the READ Act

Motion by Weisenburger, second by Jensen that the Board accept the ISD 761 and Owatonna Education Association Letter of Understanding for the READ Act as presented.

AYE Unanimous

Motion carried.

XI. Adjournment

Motion by Sebring, second by Jensen that the School Board meeting be adjourned.

AYE Unanimous

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:28 PM.

Andrea Van Gelder, School Board Clerk

Approval date: June 29, 2026