

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
OF THE RUSHFORD-PETERSON SCHOOL BOARD  
MONDAY, MARCH 16, 2026 - 6:00 PM**



RUSHFORD-PETERSON SCHOOLS FORUM ROOM  
1000 PINE MEADOWS LANE, RUSHFORD, MINNESOTA 55971

**MINUTES**

Chris Grindland: Present  
Matt Helgemoe: Present  
Jeff Michel: Absent  
Ken Sawle: Present  
Carl Schollmeier: Present  
Nancy Snyder: Present  
Amy Woxland: Present

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Adoption of Agenda  
Approve to adopt agenda as presented. This motion, made by Schollmeier and seconded by Snyder, Passed.  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1
5. Public Comments - None
6. **CONSENT AGENDA** *(roll call vote)*  
Approve the consent agenda as presented. This motion, made by Helgemoe and seconded by Sawle, Passed.  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1
  - 6.A. February 17, 2026 Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes
  - 6.B. Donations in the amount of \$21,235.93
  - 6.C. Hand payables, wires & payroll liabilities in the amount of \$384,556.81
  - 6.D. Payroll in the amount of \$311,670.35
  - 6.E. Board bills in the amount of \$184,165.06
  - 6.F. FUND SUMMARY REPORTS
  - 6.G. PERSONNEL:
    - Hire:
      - Jennifer Kleist, Paraprofessional
      - Andrew Hoiness, Girls Varsity Golf Coach,
      - Robbie Strand and Chris Drinkall, Assistant Golf Coaches (Split Stipend),
      - Darrin Dessner, MS Baseball,
      - Matt Sprague & Matt Myszewski Assistant Trach (Split Stipend),
      - Delaney Vaughn, MS Softball
      - Brenda Bergan, Assistant Junior Class Advisor
    - 6.H. -Resignation:
      - Alison Kjos-Retirement effective June 3, 2026
      - Emily Walberg, Resignation effective June 3, 2026
    - 6.I. -Leave:

- Emily Charlebois, Extended Medical Leave 26-27 School Year

## 7. **OLD BUSINESS**

### 7.A. Second Reading and adoption of the following Policies

- 611 - HOME SCHOOLING
- 614 - SCHOOL DISTRICT TESTING PLAN AND PROCEDURE
- 618 - ASSESSMENT OF STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT
- 621 - LITERACY AND THE READ ACT
- 707 - TRANSPORTATION OF PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS
- 708 - TRANSPORTATION OF NONPUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS
- 805 - WASTE REDUCTION AND RECYCLING
- 907 - REWARDS

Approve the second reading and adoption of policies 611, 614, 618, 621, 707, 708, 708, 805, and 907 as presented. This motion, made by Snyder and seconded by Schollmeier, Passed.

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

## 8. **NEW BUSINESS**

### 8.A. First Reading of Policies:

- 527-Student Use and Parking of Motor Vehicles; Patrols, Inspections, and Searches
- 602-Organization of School Calendar and School Day
- 605-Alternative Educational Services
- 606-Textbooks and Instructional Materials
- 610-Field Trips

Approve the first reading of policies, 527, 602, 605, 606, and 610. This motion, made by Sawle and seconded by Grindland, Passed.

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

### 8.B. Pay Equity Report

Move to approve the positive Pay Equity Reports. This motion, made by Sawle and seconded by Snyder, Passed.

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

### 8.C. Authorize Superintendent Bernard to advertise for garbage and snow removal Authorize Superintendent Bernard to advertise for garbage and snow removal bids. This motion, made by Helgemoe and seconded by Schollmeier, Passed.

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

### 8.D. Approve the Resolutions Nonrenewing Probationary Teachers:

- Madlyn Ripka - 5-12 Band
- Grace Dahl - HS Math

Approve the resolutions for nonrenewal of Madlyn Ripka and Grace Dahl as presented. This motion, made by Grindland and seconded by Helgemoe, Passed.

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

## 9. **ADMIN REPORTS**

### 9.A. Superintendent Report

### 9.B. Elementary Report

### 9.C. Middle School / High School Report

### 9.D. Student School Board Report:

### 9.E. Activities / Dean of Students Report

## 10. **BOARD COMMUNICATIONS**

### 10.A. Hiawatha Valley Education District Report

Lena Bergo was awarded the 2026 University of Wisconsin-La Crosse's School of Education Early Career School Psychologist Award.

11. **INFORMATION:** The following Regular meetings will be held at 6:00PM in the Forum Room.

- April 20
- May 18
- June 15
- July 20
- August 17
- September 21
- October 19
- November 16
- December 21

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

Move to adjourn at 6:21 PM. This motion, made by Schollmeier and seconded by Sawle, Passed.

Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

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Amy Woxland ED.D. Chairperson

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Matt Helgemoe, Clerk