

Board of Education Reorganization Meeting – Monday, April 28, 2025

Members present: Chaz Heinz, Kim Johnson, Terry Larsen, Jerry Metcalf, Pamela Peterson, Katie Smith, and Galina Werdier

Others present: Joshua Hetfeld, District Administrator

Chaz Heinz called the Board of Education Reorganization Meeting of April 28, 2025, to order at 5:00 p.m.

Motion by Katie Smith/Pamela Peterson to elect Kim Johnson as temporary Clerk for the meeting.
Motion carried.

Motion by Pamela Peterson/Katie Smith to elect Chaz Heinz as temporary Chair for the meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Pamela Peterson/Katie Smith to elect Chaz Heinz as President for the 2025-2026 School Board term. Motion Carried.

Motion by Pamela Peterson/Kim Johnson to elect Terry Larsen as Vice President for the 2025-2026 School Board term. Motion carried.

Motion by Terry Larsen/Pamela Peterson to elect Kim Johnson as Clerk for the 2025-2026 School Board term. Motion carried.

Motion by Kim Johnson/Terry Larsen to elect Pamela Peterson as Treasurer for the 2025-2026 School Board term. Motion carried.

The Board held a brief discussion regarding the pros and cons of returning to the practice of Standing Committees versus Ad Hoc Committees. It was the consensus of the Board that having Standing Committees would help the Administration by simplifying the process and communication.

The Board established five Standing Committees: Budget, Personnel/Negotiations, Policy, Property/Transportation, and Strategic Planning.

Motion by Pamela Peterson/Galina Werdier to approve the Committee Assignments as follows:

Budget Committee

Kim Johnson - Chair
Katie Smith
Terry Larsen

Personnel/Negotiations Committee

Pam Peterson – Chair
Galina Werdier
Terry Larsen

Policy Committee

Jerry Metcalf – Chair
Kim Johnson
Chaz Hinz

Property/Transportation Committee

Terry Larsen – Chair
Katie Smith
Pam Peterson

Strategic Planning Committee

Chaz Hinz – Chair
Jerry Metcalf
Galina Werdier

Motion carried.

The following Special Assignments were made:

WASB Delegate – Chaz Heinz

WASB Alternate – Pamela Peterson

Board Correspondent – Chaz Heinz

CESA 11 Representative – Pamela Peterson

Public Policy Correspondent – Jerry Metcalf

CUE Representative – Galina Werdier

Motion by Galina Werdier/Terry Larsen to approve US Bank, Bremer Bank, Frandsen Bank, and Sterling Bank as the official School Depositories. Katie Smith – abstain, motion carried 6-0.

The Board decided to no longer establish an Official Publication after being informed that it is no longer a requirement.

Motion by Katie Smith/Pamela Peterson to set the date, time and location for the Regular School Board meeting to the 3rd Monday of each month at 5:00 p.m. in the Middle School/High School IMC. Motion carried.

The Board discussed the recent United States Department of Education certification request. The Board members agreed that the District is in compliance with Title VI, and have met all of the requirements, however, it was decided not to submit the certification at this time until a court decision is made regarding the cases filed against the request.

Motion by Katie Smith/Jerry Metcalf to adjourn the meeting at 6:03 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kim Johnson", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Kim Johnson, Temporary Board Clerk