

**ELLSWORTH PUBLIC SCHOOL  
REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
School Library  
Ellsworth, Minnesota  
Tuesday, December 17, 2024  
6:00 p.m.**

1. Call to order and roll call.
2. Approve meeting agenda.
3. Student Council
4. EPTO Report
5. Michael Hart with PMA - Building funding options
6. Consent Agenda Consider/Approve
  - 6.1 Minutes of regular board meeting on November 18, 2024 and minutes of the special board meeting on November 26.
  - 6.2 Student Activity Fund
  - 6.3 Treasurer's Report
  - 6.4 Donations: \$500 from Community Club for milk program, \$100 from Becca Dreesen for field trip, \$186 from Cliff's Auto Body for field trip, \$150 from Legion Auxiliary for Veterans Breakfast
7. Administrative Reports
  - 7.1 Principal
    - a. Student Count
    - b.
  - 7.2 Superintendent
    - a. 2024 School Board News
8. Action Items:
  - 8.1 Consider/approve monthly bills
  - 8.2 Resolution establishing combined polling places
  - 8.3 Levy Certification
  - 8.4 Memorandum of Understanding/MN Read Act Training & Compensation
  - 8.5 Personnel
    - a.
    - b.

9. Buildings & Grounds:

- a.
- b.

10. Adjournment

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The regular meeting was called to order by Chairperson Ryan Heikes at 6:00 p.m. A roll call revealed all members present except Lindsay Jenniges. The Board of Education opened the meeting by reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Staff present: Amy Labat, Darcey Groen, Craig Gaul, Christine Lovett & Jenni Gaul.

Visitors: Aurora Lewis, Bridget Borer with Nobles County Integration Collaborative, Amy Mollberg with Meulebroeck, Taubert & Co, Corey Schlosser with Apex, Rob Krukoski with Apex & Rick Brown with Apex.

A motion was made by Buntjer and seconded by Lynn to approve the meeting agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Aurora Lewis presented these items for Student Council: Christmas Pep Fest & Winter Carnival.

Lisa Lynn presented these items for EPTO: Christmas Movie on December 8, Father-Daughter dance on April 26, & Dance Camp to be held during snow week. The next meeting will be March 11.

Bridget Borer presented information on the Nobles County Integration program.

Amy Mollberg with Meulebroeck, Taubert, & Co. presented the FY24 School District Audit. A motion was made by Harms and seconded by Buntjer to approve the FY24 Audit as presented. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Lynn and seconded by Lefdal to approve the Consent Agenda items:

- Minutes of the regular school board meeting on October 21, 2024
- Minutes of the special board meeting on November 11, 2024
- Student Activity Report
- Treasurer's Report
- Donations: \$25 from Barbara Engel

Motion carried.

Ms. Labat's report included: student count, Veteran's Day program, parent-teacher conferences, & Dakota Players performance.

Ms. Labat presented the Comprehensive Achievement & Civic Readiness Report. This report presented details on the MCA testing scores.

Mr. Strom presented an update on the building project.

Darcey Groen presented the bills with two additions. A motion was made by Buntjer and seconded by Lynn to approve the bills as presented with the two additions. Motion carried.

Ms. Labat presented a gym rental request for December 21. A motion was made by Harms and seconded by Buntjer to approve the gym rental request. Motion carried.

Rob Krukoski presented information on the bids for the building project. After some discussion it was decided to table this conversation and set a special meeting to discuss the options further. A motion was made by Harms and seconded by Lynn to hold a special meeting on Thursday, November 21 to further discuss the building project and bid options. Motion carried.

Ms. Labat presented the following contracts:

Kolbie Benson as Paraprofessional

Kim Dagele as Paraprofessional

Destiny Gibbens as Paraprofessional

Marge Simpson-Trupe as Head Cook

A motion was made by Buntjer and seconded by Harms to approve the contracts presented. Motion carried.

There being no further business Chairperson Ryan Heikes called for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made by Lefdal and seconded by Buntjer to adjourn. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Ellsworth District 514 School Board Clerk