



Board of Directors' Regular School Board Meeting
Monday, September 22, 2025
6:00 p.m., Watertown City Hall

I. Opening of Meeting: Chair

- A.** Call to Order: (Time meeting called to order: ____ p.m.)
- B.** Welcome to all Visitors, Guests, and Media.
- C.** Roll Calls

School Board Roll Call:

Chair Hunter Feldt ____, Vice Chair Jim Burns ____, Clerk Katy Jo Danielson ____,
Treasurer Erika Schulz ____, Heidi Guetzkow ____, Lisa Neaton ____, Jeff Onell ____.

Administrative Roll Call:

Superintendent, Darren Schuler ____, High School Principal, Bob Hennen ____,
Middle School Principal, Nick Guertin ____, Elementary Principal, Katie O'Connell ____,
SPED Director, Rande Peyton ____, CE Director, Tim Dalton ____,
Director of Teaching & Learning, Joe Vieau ____, Activities Director, Paul Szymanski ____.

- D.** Pledge of Allegiance: (Meeting attendees will recite the Pledge of Allegiance.)
- E.** Public Comments

The Public Comment portion of the meeting enables community members to discuss present issues not on the board agenda.

1. Speakers will be asked to sign in with their contact information and the topic they plan to discuss at least 5 minutes before the published start time of the meeting.
2. Each speaker will be allowed no more than three minutes to address the board unless the time limit is waived by a majority of board members present.
3. The maximum time allotted for the open forum is 30 minutes unless the time limit is waived by a majority of board members present.
4. Undue interruption or other interference with the orderly conduct of school board business will not be allowed. Defamatory or abusive remarks are always out of order. Remarks that violate data privacy laws are out of order. The presiding officer may terminate the speaker's privilege of address if, after being called to order, improper conduct or remarks persist.
5. At a public meeting of the board, no person should orally initiate charges or complaints against individual district employees or challenge instructional materials used by the district. All such charges should be referred to the superintendent or school board chair for investigation.
6. The open forum is meant to be an opportunity for the school board and the superintendent to listen to community members. In most cases, the school board will not comment or respond to the speaker's remarks. However, the superintendent or the appropriate staff member will follow up with speakers after the meeting if necessary.
7. No action will be taken on any item not considered a part of the agenda on the same evening it is presented unless action is considered necessary by a majority of the board.

II. **Discussion/ Action:** Motion to approve the attached Agenda/ Addendum(s):

Motion made by: _____ Motion Seconded by: _____ Support: _____

III. **Consent Agenda:**

A. **School Board Minutes:**

Regular School Board Meeting - [August 25, 2025](#)

B. **Personnel Consent Agenda**

C. **Business Consent Agenda**

- [Budget Update for 6.20.25 as of 9.19.25](#)
- Contracts
- Overnight Stay Requests
- [Enrollment](#)

Motion made by: _____ Motion Seconded by: _____ Support: _____

IV. **Recognitions/ Presentations/ Showcase:**

A. **Special Education Program Review** - Rande Peyton- SPED Director

B. **Presentation to Board Members** - Board Member Recognition Month

V. **Action Items:**

A. **2025 Payable 2026 Levy Certification** - Commentary Darren Schuler, Superintendent. The board is asked to approve the certification of the 2025 Payable 2026 property tax levy at the 'MAXIMUM' amount permitted by law. The proposed levy is as follows:

2024 Pay 2025 Levy Limitation- \$7,848,386.54

2025 Pay 2026 Levy Limitation - \$7,944,405.43

This is an increase of \$96,018.89 /1.22%

Motion made by: _____ Motion Seconded by: _____ Support: _____

B. **Acknowledgement of Donation, Contributions, & Fundraising (Resolution 26.03)** - Commentary Superintendent Schuler. Board approval of this month's resolution accepting donations are requested at this time.

Motion made by: _____ Motion Seconded by: _____ Support: _____

C. **First and Only Read of District Policy Requiring Review** - Commentary Superintendent Schuler. The following District Policies reflect revisions recommended by the Minnesota School Boards Association and the Policy Committee. Request Board Approval of the first and only read of the following policies due to non-substantive and/or legal reference changes are requested at this time.

203	OPERATION OF THE SCHOOL BOARD- GOVERNING RULES	203.1	SCHOOL BOARD PROCEDURES; RULES OF ORDER
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203.2	ORDER OF THE REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING	203.5	SCHOOL BOARD MEETING AGENDA
203.6	CONSENT AGENDAS	204	SCHOOL BOARD MEETING MINUTES
205	OPEN MEETINGS AND CLOSED MEETINGS	206	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS/COMPLAINTS ABOUT PERSONS AT SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS AND DATA PRIVACY CONSIDERATIONS

Motion made by: _____ Motion Seconded by: _____ Support: _____

- D. First Read of District Policy Requiring Review** - Commentary Superintendent Schuler. The following District Policies reflect revisions recommended by the Minnesota School Boards Association and the Policy Committee. Because of significant changes, request Board Approval of the first of two reads at this time.

607.1	EARLY ENTRANCE INTO KINDERGARTEN
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Motion made by: _____ Motion Seconded by: _____ Support: _____

- E. Second and Final Read of District Policy Requiring Review** - Commentary Superintendent Schuler. The following District Policies reflect revisions recommended by the Minnesota School Boards Association and the Policy Committee. Request Board Approval of the second and final read is requested at this time.

503	STUDENT ATTENDANCE
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Motion made by: _____ Motion Seconded by: _____ Support: _____

VI. Review/ Information Items:

- A. [2024-2025 MCA Data Review](#)** - Joe Vieau- Director of Teaching & Learning
- B. Strategic Plan Update** - Darren Schuler - Superintendent

VII. Administrative Reports (except in July annually)

Bob Hennen	High School Principal
Nick Guertin	Middle School Principal
Katie O'Connell	Elementary School Principal
Tim Dalton	Community Education Director
Joe Vieau	Teaching and Learning Director
Rande Peyton	Special Education Director
Paul Szymanski	Activities Director
Darren Schuler	Superintendent

VIII. Board Member Reports

- Finance Committee
- Facilities Committee
- Personnel Committee

- Policy Committee
- Watertown-Mayer Education Foundation Board
- Technology Committee
- District Advisory Committee
- Marketing & Communication
 - Wed. September 24, 2025 @ 5:30 PM
- Community Education Advisory Committee
- SW Metro Intermediate Board
- Minnesota State High School League (MSHSL)

IX. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn the school board meeting at _____ p.m.

Motion made by: _____ Motion Seconded by: _____ Support: _____

Next Regular Scheduled Board Meeting Date:

Regular School Board

Monday, October 27, 2025

6:00 p.m. Watertown City Hall