

August 20, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes

Minutes of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 630. Red Lake Falls, MN. The Board of Education held their regular meeting on Wednesday, August 20, 2025 Members present: Mike Swendra, Linda Schultz, Andy Knott, Lacey Konickson, Josiah Hoefler, Beth Keller, Chris Cardinal and ex officio Superintendent Greene. Absent: none. Also in attendance: Principal Brad Kennett, Principal Chris Bjerklie, Gary Casavan, Kayler and Aubrey Knott.

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Hoefler moved, Keller seconded the following MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the agenda for Wednesday, August 20, 2025 as with the following addition: I. Latchkey Fees. MC

Schultz moved, Cardinal seconded the following MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED that the regular board minutes of the July 16, 2005 meeting as presented. MC

Keller moved, Konickson seconded the following MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the money transfers, the total Payroll and other EFT transfers in the amount of \$422,927.45, the Treasurer's Report \$2,163,560.55, Student Activities reports for June in the amount of \$187, 449.99 and July in the amount of \$189, 843.01 and approve the payment of checks 77325-77429 in the amount of \$139,106.02 and 77203-77244 in the amount of \$278, 648.63 for claims submitted and properly approved by the board.

Knott moved, Cardinal seconded the following MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED to hire Gary Casavan as a custodian at Lafayette High School. MC

Konickson moved, Hoefler seconded the following MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED to hire Jeff Battles as a building custodian at J.A. Hughes Elementary School. MC

Schultz moved, Knott seconded the following MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the contract for Heather Wallace as a night cleaner at Lafayette High School. MC

Schultz moved, Knott seconded the following MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the contract for Allie Jo Altendorf as a night cleaner at Lafayette High School. MC

Keller moved, Cardinal seconded the following MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the contract for Megan Olsen as a paraprofessional at Lafayette High School beginning August 25, 2025. MC

Hoefler moved, Cardinal seconded the following MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED to hire Karolyn Clifton as a paraprofessional beginning August 25, 2025. MC

Hoefler moved, Cardinal seconded the following MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the lane change for Rachel Wooten from BA, 2 to BA +10, 2. MC

Knott moved, Konickson seconded the following MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the lane change for Aubrey Knott from BA 10, 8 to BA 20, 8. MC

Cardinal moved, Hoefer seconded the following MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the lane change for Amanda Swendra from BA 20, 3 to MA, 3. MC

Hoefer moved, Keller seconded the following MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED to pay \$60.00 an hour to Pennington & Red Lake County Public Health & Home Car to cover the time spent in the school

giving direct services to students. MC

Konickson moved, Knott seconded the following MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED to add Superintendent Tony Green and Business Finance Jenn Derosier to the signatures at Unity Bank allowing Access to all Independent School District #630 accounts. MC

Knott moved, Konickson seconded the following MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the contract with Troy Mercil Construction, LLC for snow removal at the bus garage, and both schools as submitted. MC

Knott moved, Schultz seconded the following MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED to pay \$1,500 towards state rings for the RLC Baseball Team. For: Cardinal, Keller, Schultz, Swendra, Knott, Hoefer. Against: Konickson. MC

Knott moved, Cardinal seconded the following MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED to accept the donation in memory of Ruth Gackstetter from Bev Phillion for books for the elementary library in the amount of \$20.00.

Hoefer moved, Cardinal seconded the following MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED to purchase a golf cart for \$1,500 from Thiberts Chevrolet, insure for 3 months and then sell back to them for the original fee. MC.

Knott moved, Cardinal seconded the following MOTION: BE IT RESOLVED to change the fee for Latchkey from \$7.00 to \$8.00 starting September 2, 2025. MC

Principals Reports: Principal Kennett gave his report on the teachers' in-service days, para employed for bus, 9/24/25 evacuation drill, the READ Act, math standards, student account for tournament bills. Principal Bjerklie gave his report on the READ Act, pre-school funding, Latch key increase, and open house August 27th.

Superintendent Report: Superintendent Greene gave his report on Aluma funding, softball field road, storm damage- (lights dugouts, goal posts, batting cage.), buildings & cyber grant, HVAC- 2 units are out, sprinkler testing, and up 5 students.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Mike Swendra- Chairman Linda Schultz - Clerk

