

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 196

This is a summary of the September 23, 2024 School Board meeting. The full text is available for public inspection at www.district196.org, at the District Office, or by standard or electronic mail.

Chairperson Johnson called the meeting to order at 6 p.m. at Dakota Ridge School in Apple Valley. Present: Gardner, Mohamed, Williams. Johnson was present remotely from Cleveland Marriott Downtown at Key Tower, 1360 W. Mall Drive, Cleveland, OH. Absent: Isaacs, Magnuson.

Motion by Williams, seconded by Gardner and carried with a 4-0 roll call vote to approve the agenda. Board members and the superintendent recognized students and staff.

A parent commented about the possibility of FIRST Lego League becoming a District 196-sanctioned activity.

Motion by Mohamed, seconded by Gardner and carried with a 4-0 roll call vote to approve the following consent items: Minutes of Sept. 9, 2024 Regular School Board meeting; Minutes of Sept. 16, 2024 Special School Board meeting; Gifts; Quarterly Gifts; Advertising Revenue; Quarterly Advertising Revenue; Grants; Treasurer's Report July 2024; Personnel; Equity Advisory Council Appointments; Joint Powers Agreement between the Dakota County and District 196 for the Provision of School Resource Officer Services; Service Agreements with the City of Apple Valley, City of Eagan, and City of Rosemount for School Resource Officer Services, and Principals and Assistant Principals Appreciation Week Oct. 7-11, 2024.

Motion by Mohamed, second by Gardner and carried with a 4-0 roll call vote to approve changes to Policy 506, Student Welfare, to update language and processes with regard to communicable diseases and the location of naloxone. Changes are proposed to better reflect Minnesota's Free School Meals Program and the name of the district's Nutrition Services Department.

Proposed changes to Policy 101, District 196 Mission and Beliefs, and Policy 201, General Organization, were presented to update both policies with the district's current mission statement and replace belief statements in Policy 101 with the district's current vision, core values, and strategic priorities.

The adjustment of elementary school attendance areas was presented for discussion.

Motion by Mohamed, second by Gardner and carried with a 4-0 roll call vote to adopt a proposed 2024 (payable 2025) property tax levy at the maximum amount allowed by the state. The board will be asked to approve a final levy at the Dec. 9, 2024 meeting. The district's Truth in Taxation Hearing will be held prior to the Dec. 9, 2024 meeting.

Motion by Mohamed, second by Gardner and carried with a 4-0 roll call vote in favor to approve a Resolution to accept an offer from MnDOT in the amount of \$222,093 to purchase 123,500 square feet of land owned by District 196 along Highway 3.

Superintendent and School Board members shared updates.

Motion by Mohamed, seconded by Gardner and carried with a 4-0 roll call vote to adjourn at 6:49 p.m.

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