

Minutes
Sleepy Eye ISD #84
Board of Education
July 16, 2025, 5:30PM

Call to order: Attendance: Dan Marti, Joleen Dittbenner, Brian Nelson, Darla Remus, Casey Coulson, Sheila Wurtzberger Absent: Adam Barka arrived at 5:40 p.m.

Good News Items: The Sleepy Eye FFA is off to a great start with our Summer Ag Program. Students have been participating in Leadership Camps, going on Ag. Tours, and helping with community service projects. We are currently in the middle of our Cooking, Baking, and Welding classes with 40 students attending between the 3 classes. Coming up will be our two more tour days, Party in the Park, our State Officer Day Camp, Farmfest, County Fair, and more. Sleepy Eye FFA has 244 students registered for the County and State Fair for Ag. Literacy, Ag. Mechanics, and Livestock Projects. We had a great retreat on Monday.

Recognition of visitors: Staff

Approve Agenda	M Joleen Dittbenner 2nd Brian Nelson M/C
Approve minutes of June 11, 2025	M Casey Coulson 2nd Dan Marti M/C
Approve financial transactions and reports	M Joleen Dittbenner 2nd Casey Coulson M/C

Reports

Board: Riverbend in need of teachers (3). Negotiations met and discussed language items and a tentative agreement was reached with MSEA. Policy met and we went over a few unchanged policies.

Principal: Revised the student handbook. Revised the faculty handbook. Preparing the rest of the materials for the mailing we plan to mail out on July 28th. Tomorrow is the last day for our summer school program. I will have a report on the summer school program at the next SB meeting. Before the next SB meeting we will have 3 days with staff in. Open house is on Tuesday, August 12th. We will also have meetings for 7th grade and new student orientation, 9th grade orientation, activities and seniors and parents of seniors on this night.

Elementary Principal: Had a good time at the retreat. 25-26 Student Handbook updates- Attendance policy, dates, names, new logo, new principal's letter, and editing for a better look Finalized special education caseloads for HS & Elementary with Shane (will share on August 4th with the case managers). Got a paraprofessional certified to be "highly qualified" - necessary for funding. reimbursement - SpEd dollars. 25-26 Building Goals document sent to school board. "Storm" logo, news story with reporter from MinnPost. Hired one paraprofessional - Moved into my new office. . Set up CPI training with Josh Walth at River Bend Ed District- nonviolent crisis intervention we use at Sleepy Eye. Workshop week schedule is done for August 11-14

Superintendent: Great board retreat on Monday July 14: thank you for the great conversation and thank you for all individuals that provided the information. Summary of financial impact of the legislative session: Roof projects part of LTFM, Compensatory: \$221,202 (we had this money but if the legislators don't fix it this would have been a loss; Library aid loss of \$20,000 (we received \$40,000 moving forward only \$20,000). Federal Government has frozen certain Title funds (Title II part A and Title IV) from public schools: potential loss of \$17,794. Reviewing rental fee schedule: We will bring back recommendations at the August meeting. We are looking at neighboring districts rates and language. We have a tentative agreement with MSEA

Designate Official Newspaper: Herald Dispatch M Adam Barka 2nd Joleen Dittbenner M/C

Designate official depository

Americana Bank, First Security Bank, South Point Federal Credit Union, Wells Fargo, MSDFLAF + and others as deemed appropriate and to delegate authority to make electronic transfer for the 2025-26 school year as presented; Superintendent, Finance Director, Board Treasurer.

M Joleen Dittbenner 2nd Brian Nelson M/C

Approve fees & rates schedule

M Casey Coulson 2nd Adam Barka M/C

Presentation: LTFM review: Tim Harbo LTFM is for big budget items that we levy our taxpeople for such as flooring and roofs. We will start this in 2027 some asbestos is left and there is no abatement at this time. The roofs are things that should be replaced right now. Track resurfacing has been finished and that was our big budget item for this year.

Action items:

Approve of the long term facilities maintenance 10 year Plan for FY2026-FY2035

Approve long term facilities maintenance projected revenue for FY2026-FY2035

Approve shared services agreement for LSN services for the 2025-26 school year

Approve Tina Cunningham to provide LPN services to Sleepy Eye Public School as an independent contractor for the 2025-26 school year

Approve Gabriela Rodriquez as elementary SPED paraprofessional for the 2025-26 school year at 6.5 hrs/day @\$16.52/hr

Approve Elementary handbook updates for 2025-26

Approve HS handbook updates for 2025-26

Approve 2025-26 School Board Meeting dates

Approve South Central Service Cooperative Membership agreement for 2025-26

Approve Jen Hinderman as Head Cheerleading Coach for the 2025-26 school year @\$872

Approve Shelby Trebesch as Assistant Cheerleading Coach for the 2025-26 school year @659

Approve one open enrollment out (New Ulm)

Approve the following mandatory policies: 410, 506, 524,722, 806,

Approve literacy lead Sharing agreement between St. James Public Schools and Sleepy Eye Public Schools

Approve MSBA Policy Services and Membership at \$4,478.00

Approve Kylie Koerner's resignation as JH Basketball coach

Approve Kylie Koerner as JV/Varsity Assistant Basketball coach at \$3,599.00

Approve Deb Reinarts resignation as YES! Team Coordinator

Approve EMC Insurance ISD 84 renewal as proposed

Addendum

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Action Items Continued:

Approve 1 year Leave of Absence request for Karlie Mathiowetz

Approve Purchase of Service Agreement between Sleepy Eye Public Schools and Greater Minnesota Family Services for School Family Mental Health Services.

Resolution adopting the school District's Fiscal Year (FY) 27 Long-Term Facilities Maintenance Ten-Year Plan for FY25-35.

Roll Call Yay: Dan Marti, Joleen Dittbenner, Brian Nelson, Darla Remus, Casey Coulson, Adam Barka, Sheila Wurtzberger Opposed: none M/C

Next meeting is August 13th, 2025 @5:30PM

Adjourn. Time: 6:30 p.m.

M Brian Nelson 2nd Casey Coulson M/C

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheila Wurtzberger/Clerk