

Minutes

Sleepy Eye ISD #84

Board of Education

September 10, 2025, 5:30PM

Conference Room

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Call to order: Attendance: Dan Marti, Joleen Dittbenner (virtual), Brian Nelson, Darla Remus, Casey Coulson, Adam Barka, Sheila Wurtzberger

Good News Items: Fall sports have kicked off their seasons. FFA State Fair Results: 247 Students submitted roughly 1050 projects in the following areas, Crops, Ag Literacy, Ag Mechanics and Livestock Entries. Students made a total of \$3818 at the county fair in premium money and \$4272 at the State Fair. Congratulations to all

Recognition of visitors: Staff and Press

Approve Agenda M Brian Nelson 2nd Adam Barka M/C

Approve minutes of August 13, 2025 M Dan Marti 2nd Adam Barka M/C

Approve financial transactions and reports M Adam Barka 2nd Joleen Dittbenner M/C

Reports

Board: BCPH met and went over policies and went through the updated vaccine mandate that Governor Walz signed. Facilities met the track is done, there is a robot that paints the lines on the fields that we are considering purchasing. HVAC updates are being done, rebranding was talked about. We put the tennis courts shed on the list of things to be updated. Rental agreements are being upgraded for the computer. Negotiations met and we are still negotiating. Riverbend met and they are short a teacher. CAT committee just got an email about the Social Studies Curriculum that they will proceed on as it received positive feedback.

Elementary Principal: IEP meetings are being conducted and we have defined a process for them. Kicked off our fall fundraiser where the top seller from each grade will be able to slime the principal, students are very excited for this. Early dismissal on Friday for the first PLC meeting of the year Tricia from SWWC will be here for our functional phonics program and observing our teachers. Homecoming week will see dress up days and a pepfest. We had some new enrollments and we hired a new para but we still are in need of another one. BCPH (Erin) will conduct lunchtable / health chats in the school, students have been very receptive to these. A Riverbend student may be returning to school at the end of the month. The first lockdown and fire drill took place, they went very well.

High School Principal: It's been a good start to the school year. I started Independent Growth and Development meetings with teachers. High school teachers will be reviewing data (FAST, MCA, NWEA) to help inform instruction during our early out this Friday. Coronation will be Sunday, September 21st at 6:00. Homecoming pest fest will be Friday, September 26th at 1:00 Homecoming game will be at 7:00

that night. The musical will be the following week. Six, Teen Addition will perform the following performances Thurs 10/2 at 7 PM Saturday 10/4 2 PM and 7 PM Sunday 10/5 2 PM and our first lockdown and fire drill went well.

Superintendent: Updated enrollment numbers: K-6 279; HS 229 Total 508; last year: K-6 286; HS 242 Total 528. Negotiations update: 2nd meeting with SEEA; also working on non-union support agreement. Phone conversation with Rep. Torkelson about advocating for mascot replacement related costs. Funding. Met with Sandy Brinkman and reviewed proposed rental fees (on the agenda). Teachers attended Hamish Brewer Presentation in Redwood Falls: Excellent program

Action items:

Certify 2025 payable 2026 levy for maximum amount "pending information becoming available from MDE"

Approve open enrollment requests 10 in: 4 (New Ulm), 4 (GFW), 1 (Comfrey) 1 (Springfield)

Approve Alyssa Romberg as JH volleyball coach based on participation for the 2025-26 school year @\$2,093

Approve Jaclyn Nessett as Yearbook Advisor for the 2025-26 school year @\$1,771

Approve Amber Borth as elementary SPED paraprofessional 6.5hrs @\$16.52

Call for snow removal quotes for 2025-2026 school year

Approve Adult meal prices for the 2025-26 school year: Breakfast \$2.50, Lunch \$5.05, Salad Bar: \$4.00

Approve resignation from Sheri Okerman as One-Act Play Director

Approve Laura Petersen as Prom Advisor @ \$1,109

Approve Rental Fee Schedule

M Casey Coulson 2nd Adam Barka M/C

Next meeting is Wednesday, October 8th, 2025 @5:30PM

Adjourn. Time: 6:19 p.m.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Sheila Wurtzberger/Clerk