



INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 719

4540 Tower Street SE
Prior Lake, Minnesota 55372

School Board Members: Lisa Atkinson, Julie Bernick, Amy Bullyan, Amy Crosby, Mary Frantz, Jessica Olstad, Enrique Velázquez

School Board Study Session Minutes

March 25, 2024
District Services Center
Large Conference Room

The study session of the Board of Education of Independent School District 719 was called to order by Board Chair Frantz, in the large conference room at the District Services Center on March 25, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

Board Members Present: Atkinson, Bernick, Bullyan, Frantz, Olstad

Board Members Absent: Crosby, Velázquez

Administrators Present: Superintendent Thomas, Executive Director of Business Services Fredrickson, Executive Director of Administrative Services Herman, Executive Director of Academic Services Edwards, District Administrators

Board Chair Frantz welcomed everyone.

No community members spoke during the public forum portion of the agenda.

Superintendent Thomas opened the meeting with the meeting purpose and agenda.

Board Chair Frantz mentioned the school board 2023-24 agenda and working document. This document is provided at most study sessions.

Executive Director of Business Services Fredrickson and Executive Director of Administrative Services Herman presented the following reports:

- 2024-25 Enrollment
- 2024-25 Class Size Projections
- 2024-25 Preliminary Budget
- 2024-25 Staffing Update

These were reports only. No board action was requested.

Board Director Bullyan read a proclamation recognizing National Assistant Principals and Dean of Students Appreciation Week, April 1-5, 2024. Executive Director of Academic Services Edwards spoke in appreciation of our Assistant Principals and Deans.

Board Director Bernick read a proclamation recognizing Media Specialists Appreciation Week, April 1-5, 2024. Executive Director of Academic Services Edwards spoke in appreciation of our Media Specialists.

Board Director Olstad read a proclamation recognizing Equity Services Staff Appreciation Week, April 8-12, 2024. In the absence of Director of Equity & Inclusion Ouk, Superintendent Thomas spoke in appreciation of our Equity Services Staff.

Board Director Atkinson read a proclamation recognizing National Occupational Therapists Appreciation Month of April 2024. Director of Student Support Services Cuka spoke in appreciation of our Occupational Therapists.

There were no policies to review at this time.

Superintendent Relations

Superintendent Thomas gave a strategic plan update. The core planning team has met and synthesized the data collected. The next phase involves more community cafés before bringing data gathered back to the core planning team.

Future Agenda Topics:

Topics were introduced that received full board approval to bring to a future study session.

- Read Act – will be a topic at a study session after legislation passes.
- Middle school Fastbridge scores will be provided at the April 22, 2024 study session.
- The board requested quarterly behavior updates.

The study session adjourned at 8:05 p.m. and transitioned into an open meeting.

Board Chair Frantz called the meeting to order at 8:12 p.m.

Board members present: Lisa Atkinson, Julie Bernick, Amy Bullyan, Mary Frantz, Jessica Olstad

Board members absent: Amy Crosby, Enrique Velázquez

A motion was made by Jessica Olstad, seconded by Julie Bernick, to approve the agenda.

Motion carried: 5 – 0

Executive Director of Business Services Fredrickson presented the 2024-26 transportation contract for approval.

A motion was made by Lisa Atkinson, seconded by Julie Bernick, to approve the contract, as presented.

Motion carried: 5 – 0

Executive Director of Administrative Services Herman presented a list of probationary teachers for non-renew.

A motion as made by Amy Bullyan, seconded by Julie Bernick, to approve the list, as presented.

Motion carried: 5 – 0

(Full list on file at the district office)

Executive Director of Administrative Services Herman presented benefit administration and rate changes.

A motion as made by Lisa Atkinson, seconded by Amy Bullyan, to approve the following, as presented:

- Health Insurance and Pharmacy Benefit Administration TPA
- Health Insurance Transparency and Accountability (HITA) 3 Year MOU
- Health Insurance Rates
- Dental Insurance Rates
- Ancillary Benefits

Motion carried: 5 – 0

A motion was made by Amy Bullyan, seconded by Jessica Olstad, to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried: 5 – 0

Meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Amy Bullyan, Board Vice-Chair/Clerk
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