

## Regular School Board Meeting December 8, 2025

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 32 was held on Monday, December 8, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Media Center.

Members present: Cynthia Nord, Jesse Carey, Jenna Gross, Tog Anderson, and Superintendent Peter Bahr.

Members absent: Jacob Lien and Grant Mistic

- I. The meeting was called to order by Cynthia Nord at 6:00 p.m.

Truth in taxation presentation was presented. No action taken.

II. Agenda Changes - none

III. Chairperson's Announcements

A. Good Things Happening

1. The Sr. High Choir will be singing at the Good Samaritan Nursing Home on Tuesday, Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>, at 2:15 p.m. and the 5-8<sup>th</sup> Grade Choir will follow at 3:15 p.m.

2. A small group of 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th graders accompanied by Mrs. Duquette attended the BSU Creativity Festival on 11-26-25. This was a one-day event designed to celebrate the arts, nature, science, creativity, and problem-solving for students in grades 5-8. The 2025-26 Creativity Festival will inspire young students in this hands-on event that encourages self-expression, critical thinking, and creativity. Everyone had a great day!

3. The November 8<sup>th</sup> Community Ed Holiday Craft & Vendor Show was a huge success with more vendors and shoppers than ever! Melanie Cleveland & Tammy Vernlund would like to thank everyone who lent a hand to make the day a success. Some very special thanks go out to Nei Bottling for the advertising banners, Jeremy Berg and his crew for making wooden backing for those banners, Randy Notermann and his crew, especially Shannon Muller and Jeremy Scheldrup for all their help the day of the show, the Lien family for our Christmas music and beautiful tree in the entryway, and the girls basketball boosters for breakfast items and the soup luncheon which was such a hit they sold out by 12:15 p.m. !! This event couldn't happen without each, and every one of you that helped us to make it a success.

B. Open Comments from General Participation - none

IV. Meeting Agenda

A. Consent Agenda

1. Approval of Minutes
2. Approve Treasurer's Report
3. Approve November bills
4. Approve donation.
5. Consider approving board agreements and open enrollments for the 2025/26 school year.

Motion was made by J. Carey, seconded by J. Gross to approve the consent agenda items.  
Motion approved unanimously.

#### B. Items for Individual Action

1. Motion was made by T. Anderson, seconded by J. Gross to certify the levy to the maximum as presented.
2. Motion was made by T. Anderson, seconded by J. Gross to approve the Resolution Establishing Combined Polling Places for Multiple Precincts. Motion approved unanimously.
3. Motion was made by J. Gross, seconded by T. Anderson to accept Renee Keeley's resignation effective 11/14/2025. Motion approved unanimously.
4. Motion was made by T. Anderson, seconded by J. Gross to hire Tim Bellew as the Head Baseball Coach for the 2025/26 season. Level 2, 9+ years, \$4,677. Motion approved unanimously.
5. Motion was made by J. Gross, seconded by T. Anderson to hire Dillon Lundin as the Asst. Baseball Coach for the 2025/26 season. Level 3, year 3, \$2,921. Motion approved unanimously.
6. Motion was made by J. Gross, seconded by T. Anderson to accept the revised 2026/27 school calendar. Motion passed 3-1 (J. Gross, C. Nord, T. Anderson in favor and J. Carey opposed).
7. Motion was made by T. Anderson, seconded by J. Carey to hire Sarah Kaasa as an Elementary SPED para effective 1/6/2026, para pay scale step 4, \$19 per hour. Motion approved unanimously.
8. Motion was made by J. Gross, seconded by T. Anderson to accept a MOU with the Blackduck Education Association in regards to the READ Act. Motion approved unanimously.

9. Motion was made by T. Anderson, seconded by J. Gross to accept a MOU with the ISD 32 Bus Driver's Assn., regarding the addition of a new full-time Utility Driver position. Motion approved unanimously.

10. Motion was made by J. Gross, seconded by T. Anderson to approve request from Nate Lien to spend up to \$50,000 on security camera upgrades. Motion approved unanimously.

C. Items for Discussion

1. HS Gym hoop orientation was discussed. No action taken

2. 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Enrollment cap was discussed. No action taken.

V. Reports

A. Elementary Principal Report provided by Susan Frank

B. Enrollment Reports

C. 7-12 Principal Report provided by Kelly Stultz

D. Superintendent Report provided by Peter Bahr

VI. Communications - none

VII. Future Meetings

1. Our next Regular School Board Meeting is on January 12, 2026.

VIII. Motion was made by J. Gross, seconded by T. Anderson to adjourn at 6:28 pm. Motion approved unanimously.

---

Chairperson

Date

---

Clerk

Date

