

OFFICIAL MINUTES – WORK SESSION

Board of Education

Independent School District No. 423

January 26, 2026

CALL TO ORDER – Chair Garrett Luthens called to order the work session of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 423, Hutchinson, MN, at 5:30 pm in the District Office conference room.

ROLL CALL - Members present: Diane Jankowski, Erin Knudtson, Garrett Luthens, Michael Massmann, Danny Olmstead, and Sara Pollmann. Also present were Dan Deitte, Superintendent; Becky Boll, Director of Business Finance; Michael Scott, Director of Teaching and Learning; and Tina Vorlicek, recording secretary. Members absent: none.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Chair Garrett Luthens led the meeting in the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – No public comments were offered.

CLOSED SESSION - NEGOTIATION STRATEGIES - Moved by Erin Knudtson, seconded by Danny Olmstead, with all members present voting aye, to close the meeting per M.S. 13D.03, Subd. 1-b for negotiation strategies.

ADJOURN TO OPEN SESSION - The meeting was adjourned to open session.

RECESS - A recess was called to change meeting locations.

DEMOGRAPHY PRESENTATION - Jeff Howison, Senior Research Analyst in the Minnesota State Demographic Center, provided an overview of demographic information about Minnesota and McLeod County.

SCHOOL BOARD HANDBOOK - Moved by Michael Massmann, seconded by Erin Knudston, with all members present voting aye, to approve the 2026 School Board Handbook as presented.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING CHANGE - The regular meeting scheduled for February 23, 2026 will be changed due to strategic planning that is already scheduled for that date.

ADJOURN - Moved by Erin Knudtson, seconded by Danny Olmstead, with all members present voting aye, to adjourn the work session at 7:43 pm.



Garrett Luthens, Chair

2/23/2025
Date



Michael Massmann, Clerk

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