OFFICIAL MINUTES – WORK SESSION

Board of Education
Independent School District No. 423
October 12, 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: 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 recording secretary Tina Vorlicek. Members absent: Diane Jankowski.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – No public comments were received.

CLOSED SESSION - PRELIMINARY CONSIDERATION OF ALLEGATIONS AGAINST A DISTRICT EMPLOYEE - Motion made by Michael Massmann, seconded by Erin Knudtson, with all members present voting aye to close the meeting pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 13D.05, subdivision 2(b) for preliminary consideration of allegations against a District employee.

CONSENT AGENDA - Motion made by Erin Knudtson, seconded by Danny Olmstead, with all members present voting aye to approve the consent agenda as follows: authorized employment and approved an extended field trip.

2025-2026 AND 2026-2027 STRIVING FOR COMPREHENSIVE ACHIEVEMENT AND CIVIC READINESS PLAN UPDATE (Scott) - Michael Scott reviewed the goals.

MCA PROFICIENCY DATA COMPARISON UPDATE (Scott) - Michael Scott reviewed the data.

REFERENDUM UPDATE - The mailer to all households is going out now. Referendum information includes the FAST FACTS flyer, coffee with the Superintendent meetings, public meeting scheduled for 10/19/26, radio spot during the 10/14/26 football game, power point presentations during school board meetings, the tax calculator is on the website, Superintendent's back to school message, presenting to the Chamber on 10/20/26, question if it's worthwhile doing an ad in the newspaper, and the Vote Yes Committee is doing videos, calls, a flyer to families, and Facebook information.

COMMITTEE UPDATE - Administrative team is open to doing committees differently. Need to know what committees and when they would meet. The Board should decide what committees are needed and when/how often they should meet. It may be beneficial to have two Administrators and two board members meet to discuss.

STRATEGIC PLANNING UPDATE - Dan has asked Julie, the consultant, to come back and help finish this process.

ADJOURN - Moved by Erin Knudtson, seconded by Danny Olmstead, with all members present voting aye, to adjourn the work session at 7:37 pm.

Garrett Luthens, Chair — 10/26/2026 Date

Michael Massmann, Clerk — 10/26/2026 Date