

January 8, 2020, Special School Board Organizational Meeting

Our Mission Together

Empowering students with knowledge and skills to succeed.

Our Vision

To be the school district of choice, inspiring excellence in academics, arts, and activities.

NOTE: This review is authored by the Superintendent, intended as information for the District employees, to keep them informed of the important decisions made by the School Board. This review includes selected items as determined by the Superintendent, and does not include all items of business conducted by the Board. This review is not intended to replace the official minutes of the School Board. Additional information can always be obtained from the official Board minutes or by contacting Dale.

The School Board must hold an annual "Organizational Meeting" as soon after the first Monday in January as possible of each year to elect officers for the new calendar year as well as conduct other required business as part of "organizing" the school board for the year. The School Board held its organizational meeting on Wednesday, January 8, 2020.

At this meeting, newly elected and/or appointed Board members publicly affirm their Oath of Office. In our case this year, JoAnn Maloney publicly affirmed her Oath of Office following her appointment by the School Board at the November 18, 2019, School Board meeting to fill the Board position that became vacant in October due to Luke Routh's resignation. Mrs. Maloney's term will expire following the November 3, 2020, election, and a newly elected member will complete the remaining two years of the four-year term.

The following officer positions were elected.

Chair: Rick Schultz
Vice-chair: Dan Schmidt
Clerk: Karen Flatness
Treasurer: Travis Routh

Other Business conducted included:

- a. Assign School Board Committees (Appointed): Members were appointed to the following committees:
 - Finance Committee: Karen Flatness, JoAnn Maloney, Travis Routh
 - Policy Committee: Rich Mueller, Dan Schmidt, Rick Schultz
 - Building and Grounds Committee: Travis Routh, Neil Schlaak, Rick Schultz
 - Transportation Committee: Karen Flatness, Rich Mueller, Neil Schlaak
 - School Activities Committee: JoAnn Maloney, Travis Routh, Dan Schmidt
 - Paraprofessional Association Negotiations: Travis Routh, Rick Schultz
 - AFSCME Association Negotiations: Karen Flatness, Neil Schlaak, Rick Schultz
 - Certified Staff/Teacher Association Negotiations: Rich Mueller, Neil Schlaak, Dan Schmidt
- **b. Set the Depositories for 2020:** The State Bank of New Richland and the Minnesota School District Liquid Asset Fund were set as the Depositories for the District for 2020.
- c. Authorization of Investments/Electronic Funds Transfers 2020: Authorized the Superintendent of Schools to make appropriate investments and electronic fund transfers of district funds.
- **d.** Set the Official Newspaper for 2020: Approved the Star Eagle as the official newspaper for 2020.
- **e. Set the Regular Board Meeting Dates and Times:** The third Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. will continue for the monthly regular school board meeting with two exceptions: Tuesday, January 21 and Tuesday, February 18.
- **f. Set Board Member Compensation**: Board compensation is \$75 for regular/special meetings and \$125 for a full-day meeting or workshop. Additional compensation is \$200 for the Chair, \$150 for the Clerk, and \$100 for the Treasurer.