

MEETING MINUTES

Link to meeting details: <https://tinyurl.com/DCGSimbli>

Attendance

Voting Members

Ryan Carpenter, President
Monica Malmberg, Vice-President
Brandon McNace, Board Director
Nancy Baker Curtis, Board Director
Nick Fiala, Board Director
Shaylee Vander Velden, Board Director
Meg Dickinson, Board Director

Non-Voting Members

Scott Blum, Superintendent
Michelle Wearmouth, Board Secretary

1. Members Present/Acknowledge Quorum

Board President Ryan Carpenter called the special meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. A roll call was taken by the secretary and a quorum was acknowledged.

2. Approval of Agenda

Approve Agenda as published.

Motion made by: Monica Malmberg

Motion seconded by: Brandon McNace

Voting:

Unanimously Approved

3. New Business

a. Board Review of Appeal of Objection to Instructional Materials Decision

On 3/31/2025, the Board approved an appeal request to review the decisions of the superintendent following reconsideration committee meetings held on 2/19/2025 and 3/11/2025. This is the meeting to consider that appeal.

i. Review the reconsideration committee's recommendation and the list of materials considered

The Board reviewed the reconsideration committee's meeting minutes, the reconsideration committee's recommendations to the Superintendent, and the list of materials considered in each reconsideration committee meeting on both February 19, 2025 and March 11, 2025. Board president Carpenter asked if the Board had any questions on items included in this item. No one responded.

ii. Review the Superintendent's determination in relation to the reconsideration committee's findings

The Board reviewed the Superintendent's determination in relation to the reconsideration committee's findings. Board president Carpenter asked if the Board had any questions on items included in this item. No one responded.

iii. Mrs. Olson and Dr. Blum will be allotted up to 15 minutes to present on the procedural elements of the process as they relate to policy

Dr. Scott Blum and Director of Teaching and Learning Shana Olson presented to the Board regarding the procedural elements of the reconsideration committee's process as they relate to board policy.

iv. Appellant will be allotted up to 15 minutes to present the basis for the appeal.

Appellant Ms. Shellie Flockhart addressed the School Board regarding the basis for the appeal she has filed. Board president Carpenter asked if the board had any questions on items included in this item. No one responded.

b. Board action to affirm, modify or reverse the Superintendent's decision

Motion to affirm the Superintendent's decision of an objection to instructional materials specifically the books "American Born Chinese", "I was their American Dream", and "This is my America".

Director Brandon McNace stated that he appreciates the appellant for her review.

Motion made by: Nancy Baker Curtis

Motion seconded by: Meg Dickinson

Voting:

Ryan Carpenter - Yes

Monica Malmberg - Yes

Brandon McNace - Yes

Nancy Baker Curtis - Yes

Nick Fiala - No

Shaylee Vander Velden - Yes

Meg Dickinson - Yes

4. Written and Oral Communications

a. Next Regular Board Meeting,

Next regular board meeting is Monday, April 28, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.

5. Adjourn Special Meeting

Motion to adjourn special meeting. Time: 7:02 p.m.

Motion made by: Meg Dickinson

Motion seconded by: Shaylee Vander Velden

Voting:

Unanimously Approved