

School Board Meeting Minutes

March 18, 2026 – Morgan, MN

1. Call to Order

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Joe Sullivan.

Roll Call

Present: Joe Sullivan, Ashley Heibel, Brycen Christensen, Christine Sherman, Jill Haala-Helget

Absent: Jeff Sorenson, Jennifer Rose

Also Present: Kelly Fisk-Wanzek, Tony Miller, Julia Garms, Debora Ziller

A quorum was confirmed.

2. Land Acknowledgment

A land acknowledgment was given recognizing the Dakota ancestral homelands.

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Heibel, seconded by Christensen.

Roll Call: Sullivan – Yes; Heibel – Yes; Christensen – Yes; Sherman – Yes; Haala-Helget – Yes.

Motion carried.

4. Public Comment

None.

5. Consent Agenda

Motion by Heibel, seconded by Sherman.

Roll Call: Sullivan – Yes; Heibel – Yes; Christensen – Yes; Sherman – Yes; Haala-Helget – Yes.

Motion carried.

Recognition

The Board recognized Joel Christensen for his long-standing service.

6. Reports

Board Committees

Ongoing advisory committee work and community engagement discussed; no formal reports submitted.

Superintendent – John Cselovszki

Provided updates on district operations, staffing and enrollment trends, facility planning, and financial considerations. Highlighted community engagement efforts, Cedar Mountain Daycare updates, construction progress, and upcoming implementation of Bound software.

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MSHS Principal

Enrollment 196 students; Tech Day at Minnesota West; band earned superior rating. Discussed upcoming activities, MCA/ACT testing after spring break, and cell phone policy survey for potential handbook revisions.

Elementary Principal

Stable enrollment; strong early childhood registration; committee work ongoing. Achievement & Integration Grant submitted; Book Blast program ongoing (provides at least five books per student).

7. New Business – Staffing & Operational Actions

7.1 Fischer, Kayla – Non-Renewal

Motion by Sherman, seconded by Haala-Helget.

Roll Call: Sullivan – Yes; Heibel – Yes; Christensen – Yes; Sherman – Yes; Haala-Helget – Yes.
Motion carried.

7.2 Foy, Keegan – Non-Renewal

Motion by Heibel, seconded by Christensen.

Roll Call: Sullivan – Yes; Heibel – Yes; Christensen – Yes; Sherman – Yes; Haala-Helget – Yes.
Motion carried.

7.3 Lazatin, Angela – Non-Renewal

Motion by Heibel, seconded by Sherman.

Roll Call: Sullivan – Yes; Heibel – Yes; Christensen – Yes; Sherman – Yes; Haala-Helget – Yes.
Motion carried.

7.4 Riser, Molly – Non-Renewal

Motion by Heibel, seconded by Haala-Helget.

Roll Call: Sullivan – Yes; Heibel – Yes; Christensen – Yes; Sherman – Yes; Haala-Helget – Yes.
Motion carried.

7.5 Stupke, Emma – Unrequested Leave

Motion by Sherman, seconded by Heibel.

Roll Call: Sullivan – Yes; Heibel – Yes; Christensen – No; Sherman – Yes; Haala-Helget – Yes.
Motion carried.

7.6 Seifert, Samantha – Non-Renewal (Tier 2)

Motion by Christensen, seconded by Sherman.

Roll Call: Sullivan – Yes; Heibel – Yes; Christensen – Yes; Sherman – Yes; Haala-Helget – Yes.
Motion carried.

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7.7 Samantha Seifert – Hire .30 FTE Tier 2 Teacher

Motion by Heibel, seconded by Haala-Helget.

Roll Call: Sullivan – Yes; Heibel – Yes; Christensen – Yes; Sherman – Yes; Haala-Helget – Yes.

Motion carried.

7.8 Suszette Hoffbeck – Termination (.53 FTE HR Trainer)

Motion by Haala-Helget, seconded by Sherman.

Roll Call: Sullivan – Yes; Heibel – Yes; Christensen – Yes; Sherman – Yes; Haala-Helget – Yes.

Motion carried.

7.9 Suszette Hoffbeck – Hire (.20 FTE Payroll Accountant)

Motion by Christensen, seconded by Heibel.

Roll Call: Sullivan – Yes; Heibel – Yes; Christensen – Yes; Sherman – Yes; Haala-Helget – Yes.

Motion carried.

7.10 2026–2027 School Calendar

Motion by Sherman, seconded by Christensen.

Roll Call: Sullivan – Yes; Heibel – Yes; Christensen – Yes; Sherman – Yes; Haala-Helget – Yes.

Motion carried.

7.11 Elimination of One Bus Route

Motion by Heibel, seconded by Sherman.

Roll Call: Sullivan – Yes; Heibel – Yes; Christensen – No; Sherman – Yes; Haala-Helget – Yes.

Motion carried.

7.12 Achievement & Integration / Daycare

Motion by Christensen, seconded by Sherman.

Roll Call: Sullivan – Yes; Heibel – Yes; Christensen – Yes; Sherman – Yes; Haala-Helget – Yes.

Motion carried.

7.13–7.14 Policy Review

The Board reviewed Policy 625 and Policies 517–535.

7.15 Facilities Maintenance Bonds

Motion by Christensen, seconded by Sherman.

Roll Call: Sullivan – Yes; Heibel – Yes; Christensen – Yes; Sherman – Yes; Haala-Helget – Yes.

Motion carried.

9. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:32 PM.

Next Meeting: April 15, 2026, 7:00 PM, Franklin, MN