Cedar Mountain Public Schools – ISD 2754
School Board Regular Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, July 15, 2026 **Location:** Morgan, MN **Time:** 7:00 PM

1. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Cedar Mountain Public Schools School Board was called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Joe Sullivan.

Present:

- Joe Sullivan – In Person
- Jennifer Rose – Absent at call to order; arrived at 7:14 PM
- Brycen Christensen – In Person
- Ashley Heibel – In Person
- Jill Haala-Helget – Remote
- Christine Sherman – In Person
- Jeff Sorenson – Remote; abstaining
- Superintendent John Cselovszki – Remote
- Debora Ziller, HR – In Person

Others Present: Charlotte Hoffmann, Tony Miller, Julia Garms

2. Land Acknowledgment

The Cedar Mountain School District respectfully acknowledges that the areas in which our schools are located are the ancestral homelands of the Dakota people. We pay our respects to these stewards—both past and present.

3. Adoption of Agenda

The Board discussed moving Agenda Item 17, Presale Report for $4,000,000 General Obligation Facilities Maintenance Bonds, Series 2026A, to Item 5A for a presentation from Jen Clapman.

Motion by: Christine Sherman Second by: Ashley Heibel

Vote: Motion passed. All members present at the time of the vote voted YES. Jeff Sorenson had left the meeting prior to the vote.

4. Public Comment

No public comments were recorded.

5. Consent Agenda

The Board reviewed the following items:

- Minutes from the June 25, 2026 School Board Meeting
- Bills
- Financials
- Year-to-Date Expenditure Reports dated June 30, 2026 (FY2026) and the current FY2027 Year-to-Date Expenditure Report
- FY2026 year-end financial reports are preliminary and should not be considered final, as year-end state reporting is still in progress
- Check sequence: 45408 and 45455–45537, totaling $2,736,625.40
- Wire total: $242,609.51
- Donations

· Personnel Items – Terminations and New Hires, including one termination

Motion: To approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Motion by: Brycen Christensen Second by: Christine Sherman

Vote: Motion passed. Roll call vote; all members voting at the time of the vote voted YES.

5A. Presale Report for $4,000,000 General Obligation Facilities Maintenance Bonds, Series 2026A

Presentation by: Jen Clapman

The Board received an informational presentation regarding the presale of the $4,000,000 General Obligation Facilities Maintenance Bonds, Series 2026A. No action was taken.

6. Reports

Board Committees: Board members provided committee and building updates. Joe Sullivan provided building updates. Brycen Christensen provided an activities update, including discussion regarding the lack of a varsity boys basketball team for the fall season.

Superintendent: Superintendent John Cselovszki provided a report, which was included in the Board packet. He also discussed the fall bus schedule and changes to driver compensation intended to address concerns regarding employees working as bus drivers and also driving for activities.

MSHS Principal: Tony Miller reviewed updates to the MSHS Handbook. The handbook is ready for execution following Board approval.

Elementary Principal: Julia Garms reviewed the school calendar and discussed the Board's decision regarding meeting dates. She provided an update regarding the READ Act and reported that all staff have completed LETRS training. Grant opportunities were also discussed. The District is working with Lower Sioux on a partnership involving additional paraprofessionals; individuals will need to complete background checks through Cedar Mountain Public Schools. Julia also discussed Cougar Cub Daycare and indicated that she would provide an additional update in August once enrollment numbers are available. The use of Band software for communication with parents, athletes, coaches, and staff was also discussed.

Athletics Director: No July report was provided.

Facilities Maintenance: The Facilities Maintenance report was included in the Board packet. The Board discussed the purchase of a greenhouse for the agriculture program, which will be located behind the shop. A new head of maintenance from Dashir will be starting; Todd will serve in the interim. The Board also discussed mowing the grass inside the orange fence at the Franklin site.

Cougar Cub Daycare: The Cougar Cub Daycare report was included in the Board packet.

7. Second Reading of Elementary Handbook

Motion: To approve the Elementary Handbook as presented.

Motion by: Jennifer Rose Second by: Ashley Heibel

Vote: Motion passed. All voting members voted YES. Jeff Sorenson abstained.

8. Second Reading of MSHS Handbook

Motion: Approve the MSHS Handbook as presented.

Motion by: Brycen Christensen Second by: Christine Sherman

Vote: Motion passed. All voting members voted YES. Jeff Sorenson abstained.

9. Discussion and Approval of Board Meeting Days of Week and Time

Motion: To keep the regular meeting schedule as currently established, meeting on the third Wednesday of each month.

Motion by: Jill Haala-Helget Second by: Brycen Christensen

Vote: Motion passed. All voting members voted YES. Jeff Sorenson abstained.

10. Approve Automatic Adjustment of IRS Mileage Reimbursement Rate

Motion: To approve the District's mileage reimbursement rate to automatically adjust to match any future changes to the IRS standard mileage rate, effective on the date specified by the IRS.

Motion by: Ashley Heibel Second by: Jennifer Rose

Vote: Motion passed. All voting members voted YES. Jeff Sorenson abstained.

11. Approve Designee to Invest Surplus SY 2026-2027

Motion: To designate Seth Johnson to invest surplus District funds for the 2026-2027 school year.

Motion by: Jennifer Rose Second by: Christine Sherman

Vote: Motion passed. All voting members voted YES. Jeff Sorenson abstained.

12. Approve Fall Coaching Assignments

Motion: To approve the fall coaching assignments based on the 2025-2026 paid positions, maintaining the same structure and number of coaching positions.

Motion by: Jennifer Rose Second by: Brycen Christensen

Vote: Motion passed. All voting members voted YES. Jeff Sorenson abstained.

13. Approve PSEO Income Contract with Minnesota West Community & Technical College

Motion: To approve the PSEO Income Contract with Minnesota West Community & Technical College.

Motion by: Brycen Christensen Second by: Christine Sherman

Vote: Motion passed. All voting members voted YES. Jeff Sorenson abstained.

14. Education Identity and Access Management Board Resolution

Motion: To approve the Education Identity and Access Management Board Resolution.

Motion by: Jennifer Rose Second by: Ashley Heibel

Vote: Motion passed. All voting members voted YES. Jeff Sorenson abstained.

15. Approval of Bollig Engineering Services Agreement – Bus Lane Project

Motion: To approve the Bollig Engineering Services Agreement related to the Bus Lane Project.

Motion by: Christine Sherman Second by: Jennifer Rose

Vote: Motion passed. All voting members voted YES. Jeff Sorenson abstained.

16. Approve Technology Items for Recycle / Disposal

Motion: To approve technology items identified for recycling or disposal.

Motion by: Jennifer Rose Second by: Ashley Heibel

Vote: Motion passed. All voting members voted YES. Jeff Sorenson abstained.

17. Presale Report for $4,000,000 General Obligation Facilities Maintenance Bonds, Series 2026A

This item was moved to Agenda Item 5A and addressed earlier in the meeting as an informational presentation by Jen Clapman.

18. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:04 PM by Chairman Joe Sullivan.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, August 19, 2026, at 7:00 PM **Location:** Franklin, MN