

**Minutes of the Regular/Organizational Meeting
Joint Powers Board
January 17, 2024**



**NORTHWEST SUBURBAN
INTEGRATION SCHOOL DISTRICT**
A Global Community Learning and Growing Together

Call to Order

Chair Gordee called the regular/organizational meeting of the Joint Powers Board to order at 6:15 PM on Wednesday, January 17, 2024. The meeting was held virtually via Zoom with the following members present: Kacy Deschene, Aubry Woksonsommers, Nikole Auna, Mindy Freiberg, Jackie Mosqueda-Jones, Eric Gordee, and ex-officio Heather Lyke. Also in attendance: Brenda Lewis, Fridley Public Schools Superintendent; Chelcie Johnson, NWSISD; and Aaron Nielsen, MMKR auditor.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Woksonsommers, seconded by Freiberg, to approve the agenda as presented for January 17, 2024. Upon roll call, all voted in favor, none voted against. Motion carried.

Board Representation

- Welcome new board members: Ross Meisner, Fridley; Kacy Deschene, Anoka Hennepin
- The board recognized former board members Abdisalam Adam (Fridley) and Erin Heers-McArdle (Anoka Hennepin) with sincere thanks and appreciation for their service and time dedicated to the NWSISD collaborative.

2024 Organizational Action Approvals

Motion by Mosqueda-Jones, seconded by Freiberg, to approve the NWSISD organizational items as presented. Upon roll call, all voted in favor, none voted against. Motion carried.

Officer Appointments

- **Chair:** Eric Gordee
- **Vice Chair:** Jackie Mosqueda-Jones
- **Treasurer:** Ross Meisner
- **Clerk:** Bob Sansevere

Joint Working Group Appointments: Board members Eric Gordee and Jackie Mosqueda-Jones will serve on the committee with Superintendents to be determined. This committee will meet on an as-needed basis.

Organizational Items

- Designation of Official Newspaper - Sun Post
- Designation of Official Depositories for District Funds - MSDLAF
- Authorization of Payments for Goods and Services in Advance of Board Approval
- Authorization of Procedures for the Investment of Excess Cash
- Authorization Relating to Negotiable Safekeeping
- Designation of Identified Official with Authority for the MDE External User Recertification
- Adoption of 2024 Board Meeting Dates

NWSISD Programs and Other Reports

1. **NWSISD Financial Audit:** Aaron J. Nielsen, Principal with MMKR, presented the audit report and findings for FY 2022-23. MMKR completed two audits this year, the regular single NWSISD audit, and the federal MSAP grant. Nielsen reported it was a good audit and thanked NWSISD staff for their assistance.
2. **NWSISD Financial Report:** Lyke presented the monthly financial report, including the high school grant update and federal grant update.

3. Executive Director Report: Lyke provided a written report giving details on magnet schools, college & career readiness, family & community engagement, and professional development.
4. NWSISD Magnet Schools Update: Lyke presented a report on the comparison for the total number of applications received. Notification letters have been completed and mailed to families.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Mosqueda-Jones, seconded by Deschene, to approve the Consent Agenda of routine action items including: Check register for November – December 2023; Minutes from the regular Joint Powers Board meeting, held on November 15, 2023. Upon roll call, all voted in favor, none voted against. Motion carried.

Adjournment

Motion by Mosqueda-Jones, seconded by Gordee, to adjourn the meeting at 7:08 PM.

Bob Sansevere
Board Clerk