



## MEETING DETAILS

Wednesday | Jan 28, 2026 | 6:15<sup>PM</sup> | In-Person

9201 West Broadway | Suite 690 | Brooklyn Park, MN 55445

## JOINT POWERS BOARD MEMBERS

Anoka-Hennepin	Kacy Deschene	ISD 728	Sarah Hamlin
Brooklyn Center	Rich Zeck	Osseo	Tanya Prince
Buffalo-Hanover-Montrose	Amanda Lawrence	Rockford	Eric Gordee
Fridley	Nikki Auna	NWSISD	Heather Lyke   <i>ex-officio; Executive Director</i>

## MEETING AGENDA

### Call to Order

Approval of Agenda

Chair

### Organizational Items

1. Welcome New Board Members
  - a. Nikki Auna - Fridley
  - b. Sarah Hamlin - ISD 728
2. Recognition of Outgoing Board Members
  - a. Avonna Starck - Fridley
  - b. Mindy Freiberg - ISD 728
3. Board Officer Appointments
4. Organizational Items

Chair

Board Organization

### Informational Items

5. 2026 Calendar	2026 Calendar	Heather Lyke
6. Program Recognition Spotlight: SFC Empowerment	Programming Update	Keyana Felder [video]
7. Audit Report	Bound Docs + Slides	Aaron Nielsen
8. Financial Report	Financial Report	Dustin Reeves
9. Upcoming Important Dates	List of Dates	Heather Lyke
10. Executive Director Report	Director Report	Heather Lyke
11. Magnet Schools Lottery (Round 1) Update	Lottery Report	Heather Lyke



**Consent Agenda**

1. Approval ▾ of Nov 19, 2025 Meeting Minutes	November Minutes	
2. Approval ▾ of Nov. & Dec. Check Registers	Nov., Dec.	Chair
3. Approval ▾ of Policy Review - Annual Review	Annual Review	

**Action Items**

1. Discussion ▾ of Policy Review - 300 Series	300 Series	Chair
2. Discussion ▾ of Mid-year ED Eval		

**Additional Written Information / Resources**

1. 2026 Joint Powers Board Member Directory [DRAFT]
2. Forum: Cultivating the Whole Child — January 14, 2026
3. Black History Kickoff Event — February 5, 2026
4. IDP: Elevating Schools Through Student Voices — February 11, 2026
5. Shadow Day: Educators Rising Event — February 11 + February 26, 2026
6. What's Next Career Conference — March 5, 2026
7. IDP: Empowering Students to be Their Best — March 11, 2026
8. Every Meal: Essence Service Event — March 11, 2026
9. Base Camp: Essence Field Experience — March 26, 2026
10. Giving Voice Leadership Conference — April 9, 2026
11. Essence Middle School Conference — April 24, 2026

Heather Lyke

**Member District Celebrations / Items of Interest**

as pertain to Achievement & Integration; specifically,

<sup>A</sup>College & Career Readiness,

<sup>B</sup>Professional Development, and/or

<sup>C</sup>NWSISD Magnet Programs

Chair

**Adjournment**

Chair

**UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES**

Date	Event / Activity
Feb 16, 2026	NWSISD Office Closed [Holiday]
Feb 24, 2026	Superintendent Advisory Meeting [1:00pm]
Mar 12, 2026	Superintendent Advisory Meeting [9:00am]
Mar 18, 2026	Joint Powers Board Meeting [6:15pm]
March 30 - April 3	NWSISD Office Closed [Spring Break]



## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

[Joint Powers Board Foundational Information](#)

[Joint Powers Board Policy Review Schedule](#)

[Past Joint Powers Board Agendas](#)

NOTES: (A) these are also available on the NWSISD website, and (B) handouts shared at each meeting are hyperlinked within each agenda

[2025-26 NWSISD JPB and Superintendent Calendar](#)

[2025-26 NWSISD Magnet School Timelines](#)

[2025-26 NWSISD Staff Organizational Chart](#)

[2025-26 NWSISD Staff Directory](#)