

**MADRELIA ISD 837**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**  
July 16, 2026  
6:30 pm  
High School Conference Room

**AGENDA**

**1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

- 2. ROLL CALL** (Summer DeLaCruz, Jane Hanson, Ryan Lais, Veronica Castro, Ben Odegard, Julie Pace, Steve Sorenson)

**3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**4. PUBLIC RECOGNITION TIME PERIOD**

*Any person may raise a question to the Board of Education. The Board will not act on any item presented to them that is not on the agenda. Every attempt should be made by individuals to remedy a complaint or issue of concern with the staff involved, the building level Principal, and/or Superintendent before addressing the Board of Education. Also, the Board would like persons to limit themselves to five minutes, with a maximum of 15 minutes per topic. These limitations are needed for the Board to run a timely and orderly Board meeting. Persons are requested to identify themselves before speaking.*

**5. COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIRPERSON**

ACTION: \_\_\_\_\_

**6. CONSENT AGENDA**

**a. Approval of Minutes from June 18, 2026.**

*The minutes for the Regular Board meeting follow the agenda.*

**b. Approval of Minutes from June 30, 2026.**

*The minutes for the Special Board meeting follow the agenda.*

**c. Financial Report (Business Manager)\***

*This report provides the current status of the District's finances. A summary will be provided by the Business Manager. If questions exist, please call the business office prior to the meeting.*

**d. Approval of Bills\***

*School Board members have an opportunity to review bills prior to the Board meeting. If you have questions on any bill, please check with the business office prior to the meeting so they have the opportunity to answer your questions with the data is available.*

ACTION: \_\_\_\_\_

**7. ACTION ITEMS**

**a. Approval of the Resolution Calling for an Election**

It is recommended to approve the attached resolution relating to the election of school board members and calling the school district general election.

ACTION and ROLL CALL VOTE : \_\_\_\_\_

**b. Approval of Art Teacher**

It is the recommendation of Paul Lowry, high school principal, to approve the hiring of Alyana DeLaCruz as the high school art teacher for the 2026-2027 school year. Alayna is currently a Tier 1 teacher who is applying for Tier 2 status.

ACTION: \_\_\_\_\_

**c. Approval of High School Special Education Teacher**

It is the recommendation of Paul Lowry, high school principal, to approve the hiring of Kinsey Meyer as the high school special education teacher.

ACTION: \_\_\_\_\_

**d. Approval of Employee Agreements**

It is the recommendation of the Board of Education Support Staff Negotiations Committee to approve the following agreements for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 academic years:

Secondary Liaison  
Elementary Liaison  
School Nurse  
Support Staff - 10, 11 and 12 Month Positions  
Business Office Assistant  
Head Custodian

ACTION: \_\_\_\_\_

**e. Approval of Employee Agreements**

It is the recommendation of the Board of Education Administration Negotiations Committee to approve the following agreements for the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 academic years:

Secondary Principal  
Elementary Principal

ACTION: \_\_\_\_\_

**f. Approval of Hiring Coaches and Advisors**

**BOYS BASKETBALL**

|               |                          |
|---------------|--------------------------|
| HEAD:         | Jeff VanHee              |
| ASSISTANT:    | Kris DeMaris             |
| ASSISTANT:    | Brian Borkenhagen        |
| ASSISTANT: JH | Kurt Lugo (1.0)          |
| ASSISTANT: JH | Russell Nagel (1.0)      |
| ASSISTANT:    | Tim Bergeman (Volunteer) |

**GIRLS BASKETBALL**

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| HEAD:         | Tylor Duerksen |
| ASSISTANT:    | Open           |
| ASSISTANT: JH | Lisa Lee (1.0) |

**WRESTLING:**

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| HEAD:      | St. James                  |
| ASSISTANT: | Darren Gifferson (Madelia) |
| ASSISTANT: | St. James                  |
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**ONE-ACT PLAY:**

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| HEAD: | Open |
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**SPEECH:**

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| HEAD: | Chalina Forstner |
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**g. Approval of the Additional Coaching Positions**

It is the recommendation of Landis Froehling, Activities Director, to approve the following additional positions:

- Varsity Assistant Football Coach: \$3,342.00
- Junior High Volleyball Coach: \$2,869.00

ACTION: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **h. Approval of Credit Recovery Teacher**

It is the recommendation of Paul Lowry, high school principal, to approve the hiring of Clarrisa Meyer as the Credit Recovery teacher for the final two weeks of the program in July, 2026.

ACTION: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **i. Approval of Religious and American Indian Observance Annual Notice**

Per Minnesota Statute 120A.35, the Madelia Public School Board of Education is required to provide annual notice to parents of the school district's policy on absence from school for religious observance or American Indian cultural practice, observance or ceremony.

Madelia Public Schools respects a parent/guardian's right to excuse their child/ren for religious or American Indian observances. These absences will be recorded as excused absences.

ACTION: \_\_\_\_\_

#### **j. Acceptance and Acknowledgement of Donations**

- City of Madelia for \$1,000 for Summer T-Ball

ACTION: \_\_\_\_\_

### **8. ITEMS FOR REVIEW**

- a. District Road Map and Strategic Plan

### **9. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- a. River Bend Education District Report
- b. Community Education Advisory Committee Report
- c. Extra-Curricular Sub-Committee Report
- d. Wellness Report
- e. South Central Service Cooperative Report
- f. Marketing Report
- g. Other Committee Report

### **10. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT - Karla Beck**

- a. Starting and welcome
- b. Public Relations
- c. Baseball Commemoration
- d. Admin Team Retreat
- e. Para Negotiations
- f. Schedule

## **11. PRINCIPAL REPORTS**

- a. Elementary School - Miranda Evenson
- b. High School - Paul Lowry

## **12. ADJOURN**

**Elementary Principal's Report**  
**July 2026**  
**Submitted by Miranda Evenson**

**High School Principal's Report**  
**July 2026**  
**Submitted by Paul Lowry**