

**Clerk's Minutes of Regular Board Meeting
Madelia Board of Education
September 17, 2026
High School Conference Room**

Board Members Present: DeLaCruz, Hanson, Lais, Pace, Sorenson

Board Members Absent: Marquez, Odegard

Ex Officio Member Present: Superintendent Beck

Media Present: Michelle Van Hee

- 09-17-01 Chairperson Sorenson called the meeting to order with the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 09-17-02 Pace moved, DeLaCruz seconded to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of Item I. Pass 5-0
- 09-17-03 Rob Krukosi of inBYLT presented an update of the gymnasium/locker room/secure entrance and CTE renovation. The purpose was to inform the Board of Education of the progress designs and timeline for the upcoming projects.
- 09-17-04 Hanson moved, Lais seconded to accept the agenda as listed: Approval of minutes from the August 20, 2026 Regular Board Meeting and approval of bills. Pass 5-0
- 09-17-05 Pace moved, Lais seconded to adopt the proposed property tax levy at the maximum amount. Pass 5-0
- 09-17-06 Pace moved, DeLaCruz seconded the approval of the adoption of Hawkhead #2 with M chosen Logo and images beginning with the 2026-2027 academic year. Pass 5-0
- (Odegard Returned)
- 09-17-07 DeLaCruz moved, Lais seconded to accept the resignation of Anna Montoya as the Spanish Instructor for the 2026-2027 academic year. Pass 6-0
- 09-17-08 DeLaCruz moved, Hanson seconded to accept the resignation of Elena Payton as an Elementary Paraprofessional. Pass 6-0
- 09-17-09 Pace moved, Lais seconded to approve the hiring of Esther Ramirez as a Paraprofessional for Madelia High School at Schedule A, Year One wage. Pass 6-0
- 09-17-10 DeLaCruz moved, Lais seconded to approve the hiring of Kimberly Rice and Sayla Tauer as Paraprofessionals for Madelia Elementary at Schedule A, Year One wage. Pass 6-0
- 09-17-11 Pace moved, Odegard seconded to approve the hiring of Brad Laidig as the fulltime Director of Buildings and Grounds with his work agreement beginning September 5, 2026. Pass 6-0
- 09-17-12 Hanson moved, Lais seconded to enter into a second contract with Dehler Public Relations, LLC. The agreement start date is September 1, 2026 with 100 hours. Pass 6-0
- 09-17-13 DeLaCruz moved, Odegard seconded to approve the hiring of Mindy Arkell as Assistant Prom Advisor for the 2026-2027 school year. The Schedule C payment for this position is \$574. Pass 6-0
- 09-17-14 Pace moved, Odegard seconded to approve the request from Rylee Quandt for Parental Leave for a period of 24 weeks. Pass 6-0

The Madelia School District acknowledges and thanks the many organizations, churches, businesses and individuals who contribute school supplies and other items that make our back-to-school preparations and welcome for students, easier and richer.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

River Bend Education District Report - Lais reported
Community Education Advisory Committee Report -
Extra-Curricular Sub-Committee Report - None
Wellness Report - None
South Central Service Cooperative Report - Sorenson reported
Marketing Report -
Visions for Families Report - Pace reported

SUPERINTENDENT REPORT

Superintendent Karla Beck talked about the Permanent School Fund that will be on the upcoming ballot. She talked about how Workshop week went and the start of the school year. She discussed how she would like to begin a "Hawk Huddle" article in the weekly paper and also talked about the upcoming Family Engagement event that is being planned for September 25, prior to the homecoming game from 4-6:30 p.m.

PRINCIPAL REPORTS

Elementary School - Miranda Evenson reported
High School - Paul Lowry reported

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND COMMITMENTS

October Board Meeting - October 15, 2026
November Board Meeting - November 19, 2026
Board Work Session (2-3 hours) - November 5, 6-8:30 P.M.
Annual MREA Summit, November 15-17
Looking ahead: MSBA Conference - January 13-15, 2027

ADJOURN: 7:36 P.M.