

SCHOOL DISTRICT OF RHINELANDER
Regular Monthly School Board Meeting

Monday, May 19, 2025

6:00 p.m.

Superior Diesel Advanced Learning Center - Rhinelander High School
665 Coolidge Avenue, Rhinelander, Wisconsin
(715) 365-9750 (Superintendent's Office)

- I. Call to Order
 - a. Pledge of Allegiance
 - b. Roll Call
 - c. Declaration of Public Notice
- II. Citizens and Delegations – This is an opportunity for citizens/delegations to speak to the Board of Education (4-minute limit)
- III. Report Topics/Updates
 - a. School Board President’s Report (General District Information)
 - b. School Board Vice-President’s Report (General District Information)
 - c. Referendum Construction Project Update on Budget Status and Funding
 - d. Rhinelander Community Foundation Grant Winners – Mike Cheslock, Megan Cihla, and Andrew Seaman
 - e. Results from the Student, Family and Community Surveys – Mike Cheslock, Richard Gretzinger, and Brian Paulson
 - f. Committee Chair Reports
 - i. Instruction and Accountability Committee – did not meet in May
 - ii. Operations and Strategic Planning Committee – recommended agenda items e, h, i, and j to the Full Board for approval
 - iii. Employee Relations Committee – did not meet in May
 - iv. Capital Projects Ad Hoc Committee – did not meet in May
 - v. CESA 9 Representative Report – Merlin Van Buren
- IV. Discussion, Report/Update, and/or Action Topics
 - a. Consider Approval of the Minutes from the April 14, 2025, Regular Board Meeting.
 - b. Consider Approval of the Minutes from the May 12, 2025, Special Meeting/School Board Organizational Meeting.

- c. Consider the Approval of the April 2025 Payment of Claims in the Amount of \$1,154,279.58 and the April 2025 Payment of Contracted Services in the amount of \$542,314.36.
 - d. Consider Acceptance of Various Gifts/Donations Contributed to the District.
 - e. Discussion and/or Action on 2025-2026 Open Enrollment Applications for Student Enrollment Into and Out of the District.
 - f. Discussion and/or Action on Appointment of the 2025 CESA #9 Annual Convention Representative.
 - g. Discussion and/or Action on Appointment of Administrator for Board Treasurer.
 - h. Discussion and/or Action on 2025 – 2026 Chromebook Replacement Purchase, Including Licenses.
 - i. Discussion and/or Action on 2025 – 2026 District Staff Laptop and Docking Station Replacement Purchases.
 - j. Discussion and/or Action on Vehicle Replacement via Loan from the Bureau of Commissioners of Public Lands.
 - k. Discussion and/or Action on the 2025-2026 Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association (WIAA) Membership Renewal for Rhinelander High School.
 - l. Discussion and/or Action on the Second Reading of New Policies 5411 – Third Grade Promotion and Retention: At Risk Students and Policy 6630 – Cash Handling and Deposits.
- V. Superintendent’s Report – Staff and Student Recognitions and Accomplishments, Recent and Upcoming Events/Activities in the Schools; and District Information.
- VI. Enter Closed Session
- Enter closed session pursuant to
- a. Wis. Stats. 19.85 (1) (c), to consider employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.
 - b. Wis. Stats. 19.85 (1) (f) to consider financial, medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of charges against specific persons which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data, or involved in such problems or investigations.

More specifically, to address matters related to staff contracts, including the hiring of staff, staff layoffs, and/or resignations, and retirements, as well as to review an agreement concerning a specific individual and/or contracted service and/or to consider the histories and/or disciplinary data of specific individuals.

VII. Return to Open Session to Take Possible Action on Items Considered in Closed Session.

VIII. Adjourn.

This Board of Education meeting is held to conduct the school district's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. As indicated on the agenda, there is a time for citizens'/delegations' participation during the meeting.

Upon request to the Superintendent, submitted twenty-four (24) hours in advance, the District shall make reasonable accommodations for a disabled person to attend this meeting, including providing informational material in an alternative format.

The Notice/Posting of this meeting was emailed to all school district staff and Media sources and hand-delivered or sent via U.S. Mail to the Board of Education. It is also posted on the School District of Rhinelanders Website at www.rhinelanders.k12.wi.us/board/boardagendas.cfm

DECLARATION OF PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of this meeting was sent to the following locations for public posting:

- Central Elementary School
- Crescent Elementary School
- Pelican Elementary School
- James Williams Middle School (JWMS)
- Northwoods Community Elementary School (NCES)
- Rhinelanders High School (RHS)
- School District of Rhinelanders Administration Center
- School District of Rhinelanders Website: www.rhinelanders.k12.wi.us
- Rhinelanders District Library

Notice of the meeting was also sent via U.S. Mail, Facsimile, Email, or School District Website to the following media:

- Northwoods River News
- Northwoods Star Journal
- Coyote 93.7 WCYE
- NRG Media
- Radio Station WJJQ
- Radio Station WRJO
- WJFW-TV Channel 12
- WAOW-TV Channel 9
- WSAW-TV Channel 7

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MISSION OF THE BOARD

We will provide leadership, stewardship, communication, and support for our community while focusing on the district's vision of learning for our students

AS A BOARD, WE WILL

- Listen
- Respect
- Communicate
- Trust
- Inquire
- Accept
- Consider
- Collaborate
- Be Open
- Achieve
- Model
- Be Honest

DISTRICT LEADERSHIP WILL

- Be Open
- Advocate
- Include
- Communicate
- Care
- Invest
- Inform
- Lead
- Respect
- Be Clear
- Be Honest
- Trust