

NORTHFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS School Board Minutes

March 6, 2026

District Office Board Room

1. Call to Order

School Board Chair Claudia Gonzalez-George called the special meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 659 to order at 6:00 p.m. Present: Butler, Epstein, Goerwitz, Gonzalez-George, Nelson, and Quinnell. Absent: Miller. This meeting was open to the public, live-streamed and recorded, and access to the recording was posted on the school district website.

On a motion by Quinnell, seconded by Goerwitz, the board approved the agenda.

Board Member Miller arrived at 6:03 p.m.

2. Discuss and decide superintendent search timeline, hiring criteria, stakeholder involvement, and procedures. Amy Jordan, associate director of leadership development and executive search with MSBA, reviewed the highlights of MSBA's Hiring the Right Superintendent workshop. The board reviewed the superintendent search timeline, hiring criteria, stakeholder involvement, and procedures. The board also considered the salary for the position of the superintendent and unanimously agreed on a salary range of \$200,000-230,000.

On a motion by Epstein, seconded by Butler, the board unanimously approved a motion to take a short recess at 8:22 p.m. and reconvene at 8:30 p.m.

On a motion by Goerwitz, seconded by Miller, the board unanimously agreed to continue the meeting past 9:00 p.m.

3. Discuss, decide, and schedule the steps necessary for the rest of the hiring process. The board reviewed the ground rules for the superintendent search, determined the school board spokesperson and in-district contact person, as well as chose two pre-screening questions to add to the superintendent application.

4. Adjournment

On a motion by Goerwitz, seconded by Quinnell, the board unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting at 9:23 p.m.



Maggie Epstein
School Board Clerk