

# NORTHFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## School Board Minutes

Organizational School Board Meeting  
January 11, 2016  
Northfield High School Media Center

I. Call to Order.

The Organizational meeting of the School Board of Independent School District 659 was called to order at 7:00 PM by Acting Chair Julie Pritchard for the purpose of organizing the Board for the 2016 calendar year. Present: Colangelo, Hardy, Iverson, Maple, Pritchard, Quinnell, and Stratmoen.

II. Organization of the Board.

A. 1. Election of Officers.

a. Election of Board Chair.

Ellen moved and Colangelo seconded that Julie Pritchard be nominated as Board Chair. Hearing no further nominations, Julie Pritchard was unanimously elected as Board Chair.

School Board Chair Julie Pritchard then chaired the remainder of the Organizational School Board meeting.

b. Election of Vice Chair.

Stratmoen moved and Maple seconded that Ellen Iverson be nominated as Board Vice Chair. Hearing no further nominations, Ellen Iverson was unanimously elected as Board Vice Chair.

c. Election of Clerk.

Hardy moved and Iverson seconded that Noel Stratmoen be nominated as Board Clerk. Hearing no further nominations, Noel Stratmoen was unanimously elected as Board Clerk.

d. Election of Treasurer.

Maple moved and Colangelo seconded that Rob Hardy be nominated as Board Treasurer. Hearing no further nominations, Rob Hardy was unanimously elected as Board Treasurer.

3. Set Stipends of Directors and Officers.

Iverson moved and Stratmoen seconded that the stipends for Board members be maintained at the current amount of \$190 per month for Directors and \$250 per month for the Board Chair. The motion was unanimously approved.

4. 2016 Committee Appointments.

Board Chair Julie Pritchard asked that Board members let her know if there are any committees of particular interest. She will bring to the January 25th meeting the list of committee appointments.

B. Items for Consent Grouping.

On a motion by Colangelo, seconded by Hardy, the Board unanimously approved the following items listed under the consent grouping.

1. Designated the Director of Administrative Services (Matt Hillmann) and Director of Finance (Valori Mertesdorf) as Deputy Clerk Treasurer.
2. Designated Christine Neset, Student Information Systems Manager, as the Identified Official with Authority for MN Department of Education (MDE) Secure Website Access.
3. Designated that the Regular meetings of the Northfield School Board will begin at 7:00 p.m. on the second and fourth Mondays of each month, except for June, July and December, when the Board will meet the second Monday of the month only.
4. The *Northfield News* was designated as the official newspaper of the Northfield School Board.

5. The School Board authorized that facsimile signatures of officers of the Board be utilized in signing school district checks and documents.
  6. The 2016 mileage reimbursement rate for use of private automobiles on School District business is 54 cents per mile effective January 1, 2016. This is the mileage rate established by the Internal Revenue Service.
- II. On a motion by Quinnell, seconded by Iverson, the Board adjourned the Organizational meeting at 7:05 PM.

Noel Stratmoen  
Clerk