

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT #2137 – January 12, 2021.

Please Note: Due to COVID-19, the board chair and superintendent will conduct teleconferencing with the remaining five (5) board members to mitigate exposure to COVID-19. Minnesota School Boards Association provided the following guidance (<http://www.mnmsba.org/COVID-19/MeetingsByConferenceCall>):

On Friday, March 13, Gov. Walz issued Executive Order 20-01, which declared a peacetime state of emergency pursuant to his powers under Minnesota Statutes Chapter 12: Emergency Management. This step allows school boards to meet by conference call or other electronic means under [Minnesota Statutes 13D.021](#).

The following conditions must be met for the board to meet by conference call:

1. The “presiding officer, chief legal counsel, or chief administrative officer” of the school board “determines that an in-person meeting...is not practical or prudent because of a health pandemic or an officially-declared emergency”;
2. All school board members can hear one another and hear all discussion;
3. The public present at the regular meeting location can hear all discussion and all votes, unless attendance at the regular meeting location is not feasible due to the health pandemic or emergency declaration;
4. At least one member of the school board, chief legal counsel, or chief administrative officer is physically present at the regular meeting location, unless unfeasible due to the health pandemic or emergency declaration; and
5. All votes are recorded by roll call ([Minnesota Statutes 13D.021](#)).

Note that items three and four have a disclaimer for a health pandemic.

Kingsland Public Schools adopted a resolution on Monday, April 6, 2020 allowing the school board to meet by conference (teleconference) call.

A duly posted special meeting of the Board of Education, Independent School District No. 2137 was held in the Kingsland Public Schools choir room on Tuesday, January 12, 2021.

Call to Order: Board Chair Jackie Horsman called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Roll call was taken. Present were Board Chair Jackie Horsman, Natasha Howard, Maranda Emig, Pamela Freet, and Kyle Rader. Gwen Howard was absent. Also in attendance were HS Principal/Superintendent James Hecimovich, ES Principal Scott Klavetter, and MSBA Director of Strategic Planning and Board Leadership Gail Gilman. All present via teleconferencing.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The purpose of the meeting was to finalize the Kingsland Public Schools Strategic Planning and Board Self-Evaluation.

Kingsland Public Schools Strategic Planning was reviewed and discussed including Belief Statements, the Mission Statement, and the Vision Statement as well as Goals, Objectives, and Action Plan Considerations.

Kingsland Public Schools School Board Self-Evaluation was reviewed and discussed including Framework for Governance: Aggregate Data and the 5 Standards (Conduct and Ethics, Vision, Structure, Accountability, and Advocacy and Communication).

Call for motion made by Horsman to adjourn the meeting at 7:59 p.m. Moved by Emig. Seconded by Freet. Roll call: Aye-5, Nay-0. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted.
Kyle Rader – Clerk