

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
Aitkin Independent School District No. 1
Aitkin, Minnesota 56431
March 29, 2016

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. in the High School Auditorium by Chairman Dennis Hasskamp with all members present, including David Burgstaler via Skype.

A motion was made by Mr. Hoge, with a second by Mr. Welshons, to approve the purchase of Transfinder, a transportation software package, per the proposal presented to the Board. Mr. Janzen, Ms Hills, Mr. Welshons, Mr. Hoge, Mr. Burgstaler, and Mr. Hasskamp voted in favor of the motion. Mr. Chute voted against the motion. The motion carried.

The Community Task Force presented its facilities review process, along with its recommendations. The recommendations included:

- Give the community the opportunity to vote on the “new school” plan
- Consider an August election date
- Work with volunteers from the task force and FJJ to locate and secure a site with at least 60+ acres
- Renovate Rippleside where investments will fit into either plan
- Pursue strategic purchase agreements on property neighboring the high school, contingent on referendum election results

Questions were posed by members of the public.

Several visitors made comments regarding the recommendations.

A motion was made by Mr. Hoge, with a second by Ms Hills, to have administration work with FJJ on locating possible sites for consideration by the Board. All members voted in favor of the motion, and the motion carried.

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Janzen, with a second by Mr. Chute. The meeting adjourned at 8:44 p.m.

Tiffany Gustin
Secretary