

LAINGSBURG COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Approved MINUTES

Special Board Meeting

January 6, 2026

Laingsburg Middle School Media Center

The special meeting was called to order by President Michels at 6:01 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mark Burley, Renee Gutzman, Jason Michels, Christian Ragsdale,
Michael Rourke, Margaret Sayles

MEMBERS EXCUSED:

OTHERS PRESENT: Superintendent Matt Shastal

Election of Officers

Proposal # 33

Motion by Rourke to nominate Michels as President. Seconded by Sayles. No further nominations.
Motion carried unanimously.

Proposal # 34

Motion by Michels to nominate Rourke as Vice-President. Seconded by Ragsdale. No further nominations.
Motion carried unanimously.

Proposal # 35

Motion by Burley to nominate Gutzman as Secretary. Seconded by Sayles. No further nominations.
Motion carried unanimously.

Proposal # 36

Motion by Gutzman to nominate Burley as Treasurer. Seconded by Michels. No further nominations.
Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Sayles to close nominations. Seconded by Burley. No further discussion. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Sayles to approve the December 17, 2025, Regular board meeting minutes.
Seconded by Burley. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Ragsdale to approve the December 17, 2025, Closed board meeting minutes.
Seconded by Rourke. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

The board interviewed the candidate for the vacant board seat. The candidate's qualifications were discussed.

Proposal #37

Motion by Sayles to appoint Shane Brink to serve as a board of education member filling the vacancy until the November 2026 election. Seconded by Ragsdale. Motion carried unanimously.

FUTURE BUSINESS

Regular Board Meeting – January 6, 2026– MS Media Center

Motion by Sayles to go into executive session at 6:31 pm. Seconded by Rourke. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Rourke to move back into open session at 6:44 p.m. Seconded by Sayles. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Rourke to adjourn at 6:45 p.m. Seconded by Burley. Motion carried unanimously.

Renee Gutzman, Board Secretary