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Attorney for Personal Representative Court File No. 02-2025-PR-00065

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF BARNES COUNTY, STATE OF NORTH DAKOTA

In the Matter of the Estate of Robert C. McAllister, Deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

I, the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the said deceased are required to present their claims within three months after the date of the first publication of this notice or said claims will be forever barred. Claims must either be presented to the attorney listed above, to James M. McAllister as Personal Representative of the Estate at PO Box 145, Sanborn, ND 58480, or filed with the Court. Dated this 4th day of March, 2026. James M. McAllister Attorney for the Estate of Robert C. McAllister, deceased PO Box 145 Sanborn, ND 58480

(March 13, 20 & 27, 2026)

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Valley City Public School District #2 Regular Meeting Minutes Wednesday, February 11, 2026, at 7:00 AM

Call to Order: President Sherri Horsager called the regular school board meeting of the Valley City Public School District #2 to order at 7:00 AM on Wednesday, February 11, 2026. Attendees: -Board Members Present: Sherri Horsager, Darin Anderson, Ryan Mathias, Phil Hatcher, and Tommy Bergan -Others Attending: Superintendent Joshua Johnson, Business Manager Jackie Cordie, Jordyn Heck, Courtney Lyter, Becky Goven, Chad Lueck, Tara Glandt, Sarah Lerud, Matt Maresh, and Josh Lagein. Zoom: Allie Stevens, Kyle Kvamme, Heather Oliveieri - Icon Architectural Group. Lance Monson - Construction Engineers

Pledge of Allegiance: -President Horsager led the board and attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance. Public Comment: In accordance with North Dakota Century Code 15.1-09-33, the Board provided an opportunity for public comment. Community members were invited to address the Board on any topic from the current agenda or the preceding agenda. -No public comments. Approval of Agenda: -Mr. Johnson requested to add 8C to include Icon Architectural Group and Construction Engineers. -Motion: Mathias motioned to approve the agenda with the modification. -Second: Hatcher seconded the motion. -The board approved the agenda as set.

Consent Agenda: -Bills totaling \$138,381.49 (page 4) and the minutes from the January 21, 2026, regular meeting, 01.26 General Fund, and 01.26 Health Fund. -Motion: Mathias motioned to approve the consent agenda. -Second: Bergan seconded the motion. -The board approved the consent agenda.

School Facility Project 2028 - Presentation for Icon and Construction Engineers: -Allie Stevens from Icon reported on the progress of the school design, targeting 100% completion of CD by the end of February. They will issue the final design drawings to bidders on March 10, 2026. Bid day is April 2, 2026. Allie presented the VE alternatives, deduction options and recommendations to the board after bids are analyzed (April). Josh Lagein spoke on behalf the steering committee regarding the scope of the work and to focus the resources in the new school and to not have to make any concessions unless necessary. If there are concessions that need to be made, they do not want it to compromise the programming for students. It is a priority of the committee to not eliminate any classroom space. Darin Anderson, expressed concerns about not having a clear funded plan to demolish the current high school. Mr. Johnson said that the plan, if needed, is to review the deduction options as needed. Reports: -Transportation & Facility Committee - Discussions around the community member questions on existing high school, update on the School Facility Project 2028, review of the RFP on the school related equipment (Skid Steer),

review additional district equipment, update on the Bus Shop project, discussion on Summer Maintenance Projects (2026), update on Appraisals/CMA of Washington and parking lot. The district is moving forward with the Appraisal of Washington Elementary, and the CMA for the district office came in around \$250K and the parking lot was between \$9,000 and \$13,000.00. Recommendation: No action on the RFP for the Skid Steer equipment until committee and/or school board discusses district budgets for 2026-27. Superintendent Report: -Mr. Johnson provided the board an update on the Collaboration with Barnes County Museum, ND Special Legislative Session (January 2026), School Safety and Security Report for 2025-26, Best in Class Grant Application for Pre-Kindergarten, Barnes County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Planning, Superintendent Evaluation, Employment Posting for the 2025-26 School Year, and the Enrollment Report. Items for Discussion and Possible Action: -District Policies (Second Readings): -Motion: Hatcher motioned to move to adopt the four listed policies as presented. AACA - Section 504 BAA - Employing Board Members BAB - Board Conflict of Interest FDE - Education of Special Education Students/Students with Disabilities The policy adoption date is June 12, 2025. -Second: Mathias seconded the motion -Vote: Upon poll, all present approved, motion carried -2026-2027 District Calendar (Second Reading): -Motion: Mathias motioned to approve the 2026-2027 district calendar as presented on the second reading. -Second: Bergan seconded the motion -Vote: Upon poll, all present approved, motion carried -Request for Proposals on School District Facility and Grounds Equipment -No action -Petition for Recognition of Appropriating Negotiating Unit from VCEA: -Motion: Anderson motioned that the VCPS Board recognized the submitted petition for an appropriating negotiating unit and grant recognition as presented. -Second: Hatcher seconded the motion -Vote: Upon poll, all present approved, motion carried - Establish the Date/Time/Location for the School Board Election: -The 2026 School Board Election will be held on Tuesday, June 9, 2026, at the Central Admin Building from 9:00AM to 7:00PM. We have two school board seats open: one (1) At Large and one (1) Rural. -Motion: Hatcher motioned to set the School Board Election for Tuesday, June 9, 2026, at the Central Admin Building from 9:00AM to 7:00PM. -Second: Bergan seconded the motion -Vote: Upon poll, all present approved, motion carried -Recommendation for the Board to Determine Scope of Reduction-In-Force: -Motion: Anderson motioned based on the uncertainty of the school district - lack or uncertainty of funds and declining enrollment, to eliminate one (1) .78 FTE English Language Learner (ELL) teaching position and instruct the Superintendent to identify the individuals for RIF based on the Reduction Procedure in the Negotiated Agreement. -Second: Hatcher seconded the motion -Vote: Upon poll, all present approved, motion carried -Motion: Anderson motioned to table adding the comments to the superintendent review. -Second: Hatcher seconded the motion. -Vote: Upon poll, all present approved, motion carried. Teacher Negotiation Strategy (Executive Session Per NDCC44-04-19.1 (9)): -President Horsager Read the Following Statement: - The next item on the agenda is the teacher negotiation strategy. This item may be discussed in an executive session only when an open meeting would have an adverse fiscal effect on the bargaining or litigating portion of the board. The legal authority for closing this portion of the meeting is NDCC Section 44-04-19.1(9). The topic or purpose of this executive session is teacher negotiation strategy. At this time, a motion would be in order to discuss the next item in executive session rather than in an open meeting. Is there such a motion? Mathias motioned, Bergan seconded. Any discussion on the motion? All present polled, motion carried. The executive session will be recorded. All members of the governing body are reminded to limit their discussion during the executive session to the announced topic. The prohibition on taking final action during the executive session does not apply to providing guidance or instruction to our negotiators. We will now ask the members of the public who are attending the meeting to leave the room. We anticipate adjourning the executive session and reconvening the open portion of the meeting at approximately 7:30 PM. The minutes will show that the executive session began at 5:51 PM and was attended by: Sherri Horsager, Phil Hatcher, Darin Anderson, Ryan Mathias, Tommy Bergan, Josh Johnson, and Jackie Cordie. Executive Session to discuss Teacher Negotiation Strategy The minutes will show that the executive session was adjourned at 7:29 PM. The public has been invited to return to the meeting room, and we are now back in open session. Adjournment: -Time: Horsager declared the meeting adjourned at 7:29 PM. Signatures: President Business Manager Date

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-Second: Hatcher seconded the motion -Vote: Upon poll, all present approved, motion carried Next Meetings Date/Time: - Regular School Board Meeting - Wednesday, March 18, 2026, at 5:30 PM Adjournment: -Time: Horsager declared the meeting adjourned at 8:31 AM Signatures: President Business Manager Date

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Valley City Public School District #2 Special School Board Meeting Minutes Tuesday, March 3, 2026, at 5:30 PM

Call to Order: President Sherri Horsager called the special school board meeting of the Valley City Public School District #2 to order at 5:32 PM on Tuesday, March 3, 2026. Attendees: - Board Members Present: Darin Anderson, Ryan Mathias, Phil Hatcher -Tommy Bergan arrived at 5:40 PM Others Attending: Superintendent Joshua Johnson, Business Manager Jackie Cordie, and Sarah Lerud. Out of State Travel Request - DECA: -Motion: Hatcher motioned to approve the out of state travel request for DECA students to travel to Atlanta, GA. -Second: Anderson seconded the motion. -Vote: Upon poll, all present approved (Bergan was absent), motion carried. Open Enrollment / District Tuition Agreement: -Motion: Anderson motioned to approve the following: 2025-26 Tuition Agreement - Student from BCN 2026-27 Open Enrollment (Out of District) - Two students to Jamestown (currently attend Jamestown); One to Yellowstone 2026-27 Open Enrollment (Come to District) - Student from BCN -Second: Hatcher seconded the motion. -Vote: Upon poll, all present approved (Bergan was absent), motion carried. Spring 2026 Superintendent Evaluation: -President Horsager read the following statement: Upon review of the individual evaluations, all board members have rated the Superintendent as satisfactory in the performance areas of Goal and Vision Setting, Board Relations, Human Resources, Curriculum and Student Support Services, Community Relations, and Operations and Resources. Given the Consensus, do I have a motion and a second to approve each of these performance areas as satisfactory? -Motion: Hatcher motioned to approve -Second: Mathias seconded the motion - President Horsager: Is there any discussion? I will have the business manager call roll once the discussion is complete. -Vote: Upon poll, all present approved (Bergan was absent), motion carried. Superintendent Individual Comments: -There was discussion around individual comments, if they are attached to the evaluation they become a board comment. It was decided to table adding the comments, until there is clarification on them becoming a board comment vs an individual comment. -Motion: Anderson motioned to table

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