

Mandan School Board Proceedings

MANDAN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT MANDAN, NORTH DAKOTA AUGUST 17, 2026 SCHOOL BOARD RETREAT MINUTES

A school board retreat of the Mandan Public School Board was held on Monday, August 17th, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in the Veterans Conference Room at Mandan City Hall, 205 2nd Ave NW. Members present: Rick Horn, Lori Furaus, Darren Haugen, Ashley Jacobchick, Jill Miller, Tom Peters, Amy Schandore, Jake Schmidt, and Sheldon Wolf. Others present: Dr. Carly Retterath; Superintendent of Schools; Mr. Wade Meschke, Assistant Superintendent of Schools; Ryan Lagasse, Business Manager, and Kevin Utz, Morton County News Journal

Members absent: None

President Horn called the meeting to order.

Ryan Lagasse reviewed the 2026-2027 budget to include expenditure budget, revenue budget (mill levies) and possible MHS building tax credit.

The Board was updated on the old MHS lots.

The Board reviewed the following topics: Conflict of interest procedures, MPS governmental relations, Legislative session priorities and monitoring, and reviewed applications for com-

mittee positions.

Policy & Personnel will continue working on monitoring Health Insurance Usage and Rates, Review Sections I (Instruction Program), J (Students), and others as needed, and release of Contract and Penalties (BGAA). Monitor Certified and Classified staff focusing on recruitment and retention.

Student Achievement will continue to monitor Graduation rates for all students, monitor STARS and NDSA data, and monitor 8th grade to 9th grade transition.

Facilities & Finance will adopt and monitor the 2026-2027 budget and carryover, monitor health insurance usage and rates, monitor the sale of District property, monitor elementary school attendance boundaries, monitor district safety and capital improvement plans, and monitor Mandan enrollment.

The Board discussed students first training, NDSBA board book and evaluation services, and Board member school visits.

The Board reviewed the Board member handbooks/materials.

The board retreat adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

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