

# Belcourt School District # 7 & 100-297 Grant School Minutes - Dec. 15, 2025

## Belcourt School District #7 Regular Board Meeting (Monday, December 15, 2025)

David Azure: Present  
Eric Dionne: Present  
Teri LaFountain: Present  
Allan Malaterre: Present  
Dr. Wanda Parisien: Present  
Allen Schlenvogt: Present  
Scotty Vandal: Present

proved wound healing and faster muscle recovery by stimulating the mitochondria within cells. This enhances cellular energy production, supports cell repair, and increases collagen synthesis, which contributes to healthier skin and reduced inflammation. Additional potential benefits include decreased muscle soreness and improved blood circulation.

**Others Present:** Dr. Shane Martin, Levi Gourneau, Duane Poitra, Connie Baker, Robin Day, Travis LaRocque, Kevin Brien, Earl Demery and Claudette Gourneau

**1. CALL TO ORDER:** Allan Malaterre called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

**2. OPENING PRAYER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Connie Baker and Teri LaFountain led the group in prayer and pledge of allegiance.

**3. OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT (BCBA):** Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time. A consent agenda is a bundle of items that is voted on, without discussion. It distinguishes between routine actions not requiring additional conversation and those matters of significant importance demanding each director's attention. A consent agenda requires administrators and directors to: Set the meeting agenda. BCBA - Public Participation at Board Meetings (1)

Allen S. stated he had a positive and negative note. He witnessed all the hard work of Leslie DeCoteau and her crew in the concession stand area during all the sporting events scheduled recently and his granddaughter worked in the concessions area as well. Negative Note: Allen S. overheard the Century Team Coaches talk about their arrival at the SkyDancer Hotel around 9:30 pm. They had reserved 8 rooms, upon check in the hotel had overbooked and the team had to leave and stay in Bottineau. The customer service was not good or helpful. So when, the Western Region Tournament is to take place, they cancel their rooms at SkyDancer and will stay somewhere other than locally. Allen S. stated he was impressed with the special Olympics Team recognized at the ball game. It is nice to see them get recognized for their accomplishments.

**4. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**  
**MOTION** to adopt the agenda as presented. This motion, made by Teri LaFountain and seconded by David Azure, Carried.

David Azure: Yes  
Eric Dionne: Y es  
Teri LaFountain: Yes  
Allan Malaterre: Yes  
Dr. Wanda Parisien: Yes  
Allen Schlenvogt: Yes  
Scotty Vandal: Yes  
Yes: 7, No: 0

**5. ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA**  
**MOTION** to approve the consent agenda items 5.A to 5.M as presented. This motion, made by Teri LaFountain and seconded by Dr. Wanda Parisien, Carried.

David Azure: Yes

Eric Dionne: Yes

Teri LaFountain: Yes

Allan Malaterre: Yes

Dr. Wanda Parisien: Yes

Allen Schlenvogt: Yes

Scotty Vandal: Yes

Yes: 7, No: 0

**A. Approval of Minutes for 11-12-25**  
11-12-25 RB BSD Minutes @ Noon

**B. Purchase Approval from JK Products & Services, Inc. \$40,995.00 - Dr. Shane Martin**

This purchase is for a PRO-IR Stand-Up Red Light Therapy Machine, designed to support an athlete's recovery. Red light therapy devices can promote im-

cations and net increases are outlined below:

### Title I

- **Original Allocation:** \$1,422,035
- **Revised Allocation:** \$1,684,430
- **Increase:** \$262,395

### Title II

- **Original Allocation:** \$124,940
- **Revised Allocation:** \$145,500
- **Increase:** \$20,560

### Title IV

- **Original Allocation:** \$45,590
- **Revised Allocation:** \$48,680
- **Increase:** \$3,090

### Rural Low-Income Schools (RLIC)

- **Original Allocation:** \$7,430
- **Revised Allocation:** \$8,600
- **Increase:** \$1,170

### Overall Summary

Across all four programs, the district will receive additional federal funding totaling \$287,215. These increases provide expanded opportunities to support student learning, professional development, and school-wide initiatives.

HS Grant Budget Revision 11.20.25

### L. Approve quote from Marco for 25% of Cybersecurity Grant \$174,303.59 - Travis LaRocque

#### Background

Belcourt School District #7 has been awarded a State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) award totaling \$731,149.11, consisting of \$511,804.38 in federal funds and a local match of \$219,344.73. This project funds comprehensive upgrades to the district's network switching and wireless infrastructure to enhance cybersecurity, reliability, and compliance.

Grant requirements include adherence to federal procurement laws (2 CFR 200), quarterly reporting, annual cybersecurity assessments (NCSR), and participation in vulnerability scanning through NDIT/CISA.

#### Procurement Requirements

- **Federal Procurement (2 CFR 200):** Requires open competition, documented procurement, and the use of compliant purchasing methods.

- **ND Century Code § 54-44.4-05:** Competitive bidding typically awards to the lowest responsible bidder.

- **ND Century Code § 54-44.4-13:** Authorizes political subdivisions, including school districts, to use State Cooperative Purchasing Contracts in place of issuing their own bids.

The ND State Procurement Office has established STAGENet Contract #110, a competitively bid statewide contract for network equipment and related services. This contract includes vendors such as:

- o Marco Technologies
- o AVI Systems
- o CompuNet
- o Corporate Technologies
- o Wesco/Anixter

Purchasing under this contract satisfies both state and federal competitive procurement requirements.

#### Why Not a Local Bid?

While the district values local businesses, the scale and technical complexity of this project—including district-wide replacement of enterprise-grade Cisco Catalyst and Meraki switches and Wi-Fi 6E access points—far exceeds the capabilities of local vendors.

Issuing a local RFP would carry risks such as:

- o Receiving non-compliant or technically insufficient proposals
- o Delays from re-bidding or bid rejection
- o Potential violation of federal procurement standards
- o Increased project and cybersecurity risk

Using the State Contract avoids these risks and ensures compli-

ance.

### Vendor Recommendation:

#### Marco Technologies

Although multiple vendors are available under STAGENet #110, the Administration recommends Marco Technologies based on:

- **North Dakota presence** (Bismarck office) offering timely support

• Extensive experience with K-12 network modernization projects across ND

- Familiarity with Belcourt School District's existing network environment

• A comprehensive proposal totaling \$697,214.39, aligning with the grant scope and budget

- Full compliance with State Contract procurement requirements

Marco's scope of work includes equipment replacement, configuration, installation, testing, documentation, and knowledge transfer.

Marco Network Refresh Cybersecurity Grant

#### M. TMHS Close-Up Trip (Washington D.C.) \$34,536.00 - Brad LaRocque

### 6. OLD BUSINESS

#### A. NONE

### 7. NEW BUSINESS

#### A. HR/Assistant Superintendent Report - Levi Gourneau

#### INFORMATION ONLY

This report summarizes hiring, resignations, reassignments, and additional duties from November 12th, 2025, to December 9th, 2025.

#### Positions Hired:

All employment offers are contingent upon the candidate's formal acceptance of the position, successful completion of the required background check, and board approval when applicable.

#### \*All teacher hires require board approval.

#### Turtle Mountain Community Elementary School:

- o No new hires.

#### Turtle Mountain Community Middle School:

- o No new hires

#### Turtle Mountain Community High School:

- o Long-term Sub: until the end of the school year

#### □ Mary Blue

#### □ Peggy Azure

#### Turtle Mountain Community School Bus Drivers:

- o No new hires

#### • Ojibwa Indian School:

- o No new hires

#### • Preschool Special Needs:

- o No new hires.

#### • Tiny Turtles Preschool Program:

- o No new hires

#### Turtle Mountain Community Schools:

#### • St. Ann's Catholic School Reading Intervention Teacher

- o Cindy Gillis

#### □ Only qualified applicant

#### P o s i t i o n s Advertised/Unfilled/Pending

- o None

#### Resignations

- o None

#### Reassignments

As outlined in BSD Policy DFC, all reassignments are made in the best interest of the Belcourt School District and require approval from the staff member, their supervisor, the building principal, the TMCS Assistant Superintendent, and the TMCS Superintendent.

#### o TMCHS: Mr. Dawson Zerr

Relocated from the Event Center to the TMCHS. Remains in an Event Staff position.

#### B. Permission to Hire St. Ann's Reading Intervention Teacher - Levi Gourneau

In the packet is the rating sheet for this position. There was one applicant who applied. She was interviewed. The recommendation is to hire Cindy Gillis as the St. Ann's Reading Intervention Teacher as presented.

#### MOTION to hire Cynthia Gillis as the St. Ann's Reading Intervention Teacher. This mo-

tion, made by Teri LaFountain and seconded by Dr. Wanda Parisien, Carried.

David Azure: Yes

Eric Dionne: Yes

Teri LaFountain: Yes

Allan Malaterre: Yes

Dr. Wanda Parisien: Yes

Allen Schlenvogt: Yes

Scotty Vandal: Yes

Yes: 7, No: 0

**2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:** Allan Malaterre moved to adopt the agenda as presented. Seconded by Dr. Wanda Parisien. Roll call vote taken, all were in favor. Motion carried.

### 3. ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA

#### 3.A. Approval of Minutes 11-25

#### 3.B. Superintendent/Athletic Director Report - Dr. Shane Martin

#### 3.C. Approval of Accounts Payable - Earl Demery

The accounts payable for November 2025 are in the packet for review and approval. Vouchers totaled \$731,696.04, HS Grant totaled \$174,287.29, and Payroll totaled \$1,927,695.21 for a total of \$2,833,678.54. Check # 244616 - 244931 Checking Account #1 Check # 15992 - 16014 Checking Account #2 - Turtle Mountain State Bank Check # N/A Checking Account #3

The recommendation is to approve November 2025 accounts payable for \$1,077,465.92 as presented.

#### 3.D. Approval of FY26 TMHS Grant Budget Revision - Duane Poitra/Earl Demery

The High School Grant has received updated allocations for Title I, Title II, Title IV, and RLIC. All programs experienced increases over the original budgeted amounts. The revised allocations and net increases are outlined below:

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