

REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

November 13, 2024

The Pelican Rapids Board of Education held a regular meeting on November 13, 2024 in the conference room at the high school at 6:00PM. Board members present: Greg Larson, Molly Welch, Anne Peterson, Staci Allmaras, Brenda Olson and Jon Karger (Microsoft Teams)

Board Members Absent: None

Student Representatives Present: Eduardo Sanchez

Student Representatives Absent: Maclain Hovland

Others Present: Brian Korf, Cary Haugrud, Becky Wontor, Laura Januszewski, Derrick Nelson, Doug Bruggeman, Rudy Martinez, Chris Hacker and PJ Breen

The meeting was called to order at 6:00PM and the pledge of allegiance was led by Vice Chair, Anne Peterson.

Greg Larson made a motion to approve the meeting agenda with two additional Acknowledge items. The motion was seconded by Molly Welch and carried upon a vote being taken. The following present board members voted in favor: Molly Welch, Brenda Olson, Jon Karger, Anne Peterson, Greg Larson, and Staci Allmaras.

Acknowledgements

School Board Candidates

Fall Advisors/Coaches & Athletes/Participants

All-State Fall Student Athletes

Boys Soccer All-State: Sidiiq Farah

Boys Cross Country All-Section, All-State, All-State Academic: Charlie Larson

Boys Cross Country All-Section, All-State Academic: Jack Welch

Boys Cross Country Team All-State Academic Gold Award

Girls Cross Country Team All-State Academic Gold Award

Varsity Volleyball Team All-State Academic Gold Award

All-State Academic Awards: Grace Backstrom, Hazel Haugrud, Anna Roisum

Presentations

A. Achievement & Integration Progress Report Mrs. Becky Wontor & Mr. Doug Bruggeman

Administrative Reports

A.	Elementary Principal	Mr. Derrick Nelson
B.	PRHS Principal Report	Mrs. Laura Januszewski
C.	Finance Director	Mr. Rudy Martinez
D.	Student Board Representatives	Mr. Eduardo Sanchez & Mr. Maclain Hovland
E.	Superintendent	Mr. Brian Korf

Consent Items

Molly Welch made a motion to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following items:

A. Approve board minutes - October 21, 2024 Regular School Board Meeting

B. Financial claims - October bills

C. Treasurer's report

D. Accept Donations

Student Accounts - \$80 - Laura Klimek

Viking Butikk - \$80 - Laura Klimek

E. Personnel

Approve the hire of Kraig Archembeau as Elementary Paraprofessional

Approve the hire of Teena Jessen as High School Paraprofessional

Approve the hire of Andrea Banton as Part-time Evening Custodian

The motion was seconded by Brenda Olson and carried upon a vote being taken. The following present board members voted in favor: Molly Welch, Brenda Olson, Jon Karger, Anne Peterson, and Staci Allmaras.

Brenda Olson made a motion to approve the 2025 Band Trip. The motion was seconded by Molly Welch and carried upon a vote being taken. The following present board members voted in favor: Molly Welch, Brenda Olson, Jon Karger, and Anne Peterson.

Anne Peterson introduced the Resolution Canvassing Returns of Votes of School District General Election.

RESOLUTION CANVASSING RETURNS
OF VOTES OF SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL ELECTION

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 548, as follows:

1. It is hereby found, determined and declared that the general election of the voters of the district held on November 5, 2024, was in all respects duly and legally called and held.
2. As specified in the attached Abstract and Return of Votes Cast, a total of 8409 voters of the district voted at said election on the election of (three) school board members for four year term vacancies on the board caused by expiration of term on the first Monday in January next following the general election as follows:

Jon Karger	2728
Molly Welch	2690
Andrew Sorum	2947
Write-ins	44

3. Jon Karger, Molly Welch, and Andrew Sorum having received the highest number of votes, are elected to four-year terms beginning the first Monday in January, 2025.
4. The school district clerk is hereby authorized to certify the results of the election to the county auditor of each county in which the school district is located in whole or in part.

Brenda Olson made a motion to approve the Resolution Canvassing Returns of Votes of School District General Election. The motion was seconded by Anne Peterson and carried upon a vote being taken. The following present board members voted in favor: Molly Welch, Brenda Olson, Jon Karger, and Anne Peterson.

The following voted against: None

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Anne Peterson introduced the Resolution Authorizing Issuance of Certificates of Election and Directing School District Clerk to Perform Other Election Related Duties.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES
OF ELECTION AND DIRECTING SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK
TO PERFORM OTHER ELECTION RELATED DUTIES

WHEREAS, the board has canvassed the general election for school board members held on November 5, 2024.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE School Board of Independent School District No. 548, State of Minnesota, as follows:

1. The chair and clerk are hereby authorized to execute certificates of election on behalf of the school board of Independent School District No. 548 to the following candidates:
 - a. Andrew Sorum
 - b. Jon Karger
 - c. Molly Welch

Who have received a sufficiently large number of votes to be elected to fill vacancies on the board caused by expiration of term on the first Monday in January next following the election, based on the results of the canvass.

2. The certificate of election shall be in substantially the form attached hereto.
3. After the time for contesting the election has passed and the candidate has filed all campaign financial reports required by Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 211A, the clerk of the school board is hereby directed to deliver the certificates to the persons entitled thereto personally or by certified mail.
4. The clerk is hereby directed to enclose with the certificate a form of acceptance of office and oath of office insubstantially the form attached hereto.

Brenda Olson made a motion to approve the Resolution Authorizing Issuance of Certificates of Election and Directing School District Clerk to Perform Other Election Related Duties. The motion was seconded by Molly Welch and carried upon a vote being taken. The following present board members voted in favor: Molly Welch, Brenda Olson, Jon Karger, and Anne Peterson.

The following voted against: None

Whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

Anne Peterson made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Molly Welch and carried upon a vote being taken. The following present board members voted in favor: Molly Welch, Brenda Olson, Jon Karger, and Anne Peterson.

Board Chair

Board Clerk
