



## MTCS Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 25th, 2026 at 4:30 PM  
Minnesota Transitions Charter School District Office,  
2872 26th Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55406

Some members of this board may participate in this meeting by interactive technology

[Digital Meeting Link](#)

1. Call to Order at 4:36 pm
2. Land Acknowledgement Statement  
*The Minnesota Transitions Charter School Board of Directors wishes to acknowledge and pay respect to the Dakota and Ojibwe people, upon whose ancestral lands our school sites, district office, and boardroom are located.*
3. MTCS Mission Statement  
*We are a student-centered learning community that inspires and supports all learners to achieve excellence through equitable, relevant learning experiences.*
4. Roll call and noting of the quorum (Roll by Voice - 7 current members, 4 constitutes a quorum) - Roll call and Voting to be completed in the following order:
  1. Tyler Frankhouse- present
  2. Zahra Farah- present
  3. Nikki Reinardy- present
  4. Belle Thompson- present virtually
  5. Matt Edgar- present
  6. Sam Trojan - absent
  7. Lisa Beck- present
5. Conflict of Interest ([Policy 210.1](#))  
Are there any members of the board possessing a conflict of interest on any of the agenda items listed? Please specify which item where a conflict of interest exists.
6. Approval of the Agenda  
*Additions to the agenda include the agenda 10D waiver for nepotism and 10F bios of potential board member candidates added to the agenda*  
  
*Motion to approve the agenda by Tyler*  
*Motion seconded by Lisa*  
*Discussion*  
*Roll Call Vote:*

- Tyler- aye
- Zahra- aye
- Nikki- aye
- Belle- aye
- Matt- aye
- Lisa- aye

*Motion carries 6-0-0*

#### 7. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of minutes here
- b. Approval of May 2026 Accounts Payable and Wires
- c. HR resignations, terminations, and new hires
- d. Approval of minor policy changes

*Motion to Approve the consent agenda by Zahra*

*Motion seconded by Tyler*

*Discussion*

*Roll Call Vote:*

- Tyler- Aye
- Zahra- Aye
- Nikki- Aye
- Belle- Aye
- Matt- Aye
- Lisa- Aye

*Motion carries 6-0-0*

#### 8. Open forum/public comment

No one was present in person or virtually for public comment

#### 9. Reports

- a. Board Chair Report- Matt's last meeting is today due to moving to Canada
- b. Finance Report- given by Scott
- c. Policy Committee Report - did not meet (end of school session)
- d. Superintendent's Report
  - i. Strategic planning will begin with MSBA in the fall of 2026

#### 10. Action Items

- a. 2nd read MTCS Policy 409 Employee Publications, Instructional Materials, Inventions and Creations
  - i. 409 Current Version
  - ii. 409 Updated MSBA Version
  - iii. Changes
    1. Shorter but makes the same points, protecting MTCS's investments and intellectual property rights
- b. MTCS Policy 501 - Weapons - 2nd read
  - i. 501 Redlined Policy
  - ii. 501 Potential Final Policy
  - iii. Changes
    1. Adds a definition for "Dangerous Weapon"
    2. Rearranges the order of the definitions'
    3. Under Consequences V.C.

- a. Requires referral to criminal justice in some cases
- 4. Section VII Reports of Dangerous Weapons is added
- 5. Additions to references
- c. MTCS Policy 504 - Student Dress - 2nd Read
  - i. 504 Redlined Policy
  - ii. 504 Potential Final Policy
  - iii. Changes
    - 1. Removes Item II.D. Which bans hats from MTCS buildings in opposition to Item II.B.5, which expressly allows hats or head coverings
- d. Waiver of Policy 426 - Nepotism
  - i. MNCA would like to hire Amanda Bauer as a Special Ed Para
    - 1. No direct supervision by her relative, Sister-in-Law Annika Maus
    - 2. The position was posted for the requisite 20 days

Motion to waive Policy 426 for MNCA to hire Amanda Bauer as a Special Education Para as a general education paraprofessional by Matt

Motion seconded by Nikki

*Further Discussion*

*Roll Call Vote:*

- Tyler- Aye
- Zahra- Aye
- Nikki- Aye
- Belle- Aye
- Matt- Aye
- Lisa- Aye

*Motion carries 6-0-0*

- ii. MNVE would like to hire Kelsay Neron-Kloss as a general ed para
  - 1. In a different program from her mother, Nicole Neron-Kloss
  - 2. The position was posted for the requisite 20 days

Motion to waive Policy 426 for MNVE to hire Kelsay Neron-Kloss as a general education paraprofessional by Nikki

Motion seconded by Zahra

*Further Discussion*

*Roll Call Vote:*

- Tyler- Aye
- Zahra- Aye
- Nikki- Aye
- Belle- Aye
- Matt- Aye
- Lisa- Aye

*Motion carries 6-0-0*

- e. Approval of a copier contract with Coordinated Business Systems

Motion to approve the copier contract with Coordinated Business Systems by Matt

Motion seconded by Zahra

*Further Discussion*

*Roll Call Vote:*

- Tyler- Aye
- Zahra- Aye
- Nikki- Aye
- Belle- Aye
- Matt- Aye
- Lisa- Aye

*Motion carries 6-0-0*

- f. Appointment of a New Board Member for the Vacant Teacher Position (Effective July 1, 2026)
  - i. Jennie Stumpf - Teacher at MN Virtual Schools
  - ii. Melanie Fox - Teacher at MN Virtual Schools
  - iii. Hannah Simon - Teacher at Banaadir Elementary

Motion to appoint Jennie Stumpf for a board position for the 1 position for the 2026-2027 school year, beginning July 1, 2026 (or after training has been completed), by Matt

Seconded by Tyler

*Roll Call Vote:*

- Tyler- Aye
- Zahra- Nay
- Nikki- Abstain
- Belle- Aye
- Matt- Aye
- Lisa- Aye

*Motion carries 4-1-1*

- g. Superintendent Evaluation

11. Discussion

No further discussion

12. Announcements

- a. Next Regular Meeting is Thursday, July 23rd, 2026 @ 4:30 pm

13. Adjournment at 5:37 pm