

Board of Education Workshop  
Monday, May 11, 2026  
4:30 PM  
Tatanka Elementary STEM School  
703 – 8<sup>th</sup> St NE  
Buffalo, MN 55313

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## REPORT

Present: Bob Sansevere, Amanda Lawrence, Sheila Smude, Matt Hoffman, Mike Honsey, Adam Bjorklund, Angie Greig (arrived at 4:52)

Absent: none

1. Presentation: Tatanka Elementary STEM School  
Principal Andrée Iden with teachers Ashley Feehan-Kapsner and Kristine Johnson presented to the Board. Tatanka Touchstones test the strength and authenticity of our work. They keep us true to our values, united in purpose, and focused on creating the best possible future for every student. Ms. Johnson and Ms. Feehan-Kapsner talked about LEAD 877 synopsis of learning, student impact, self-reflection, and extended impact goals. Tatanka's Big Picture: prioritize math standards, IC gradebook expectations, screener expectations, summative assessment expectations.
2. Out-of-State Field Trip Preliminary Approval  
Danielle Kelm, Quest Teacher  
Trio made it to 3<sup>rd</sup> place, but one of the teams opted out so we have the opportunity to go. Performance about Columbine shooting.
3. Winter Season Activities Review
  - a. Buffalo Community Middle School  
John Hayden, BCMS Activities Director  
Mr. Hayden gave an overview of the winter activities which had almost 500 participants.
  - b. Buffalo High School  
Nick Guida, BHS Activities Director  
Mr. Guida gave an overview of winter activities which included 21% of BHS enrollment – at highest level for winter.
4. Nutrition Services Report/Budget  
Kim Hinrichs, Director of Nutrition Services  
Ms. Hinrichs shared a year in review for the Nutrition Services Department. Mission Statement: The Nutrition Services Department is dedicated to providing all students with healthy meals while supporting learning and lifelong wellness through access to quality nutrition.
5. Quarterly Cash and Investment Report

Ryan Tangen, Director of Finance and Operations

Mr.Tangen gave a quarterly report on the estimated cash and investment position of the district as of April 30, 2026, and the OPEB Trust as of April 30, 2026. The district's estimated cash and investment balance is \$26,959,974. The OPEB Trust balance is \$15,466,328.

6. Quarterly Financial Update

Miranda Kramer, Controller

“Happy Hostess Cupcake Day” Ms.Kramer shared a quarterly report on revenues and expenditures.

7. Committee Reports

AG: Safe Schools – Rockford bomb threat, opioid settlement

SM: AMSD – permanent school fund has grown

SM: Construction Committee, bond project review

AL: NWISD update – exec director search – interviewing final few

BS: WTC – down 40 students from last year

ST: AMSD – School trust lands money can't be spent on anything other than public education. Established in 1700s. 1800s states were forming, set aside public land to fund public schools. MN sold off some but 2.3B still set aside. Probably only area where we will see additional education funding.