

**Members of MSBA 2015 Delegate Assembly established the following resolutions (14 passed of the 20 submitted)**

SCHOOL FINANCE – STATE AID

**RESOLUTION NUMBER ONE**  
**REQUIREMENT FOR ANY EXPANSION OF EARLY EDUCATION**  
**(PASSED: YES - 93; NO - 4)**

Submitted by MSBA Board of Directors

**BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE MINNESOTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION URGES THE LEGISLATURE TO ENSURE THAT ANY EXPANSION OF THE EARLY EDUCATION PROGRAM ALLOW FOR FLEXIBILITY IN THE IMPLEMENTATION, STRUCTURE, STAFFING AND TIMING, AS WELL AS APPROPRIATING ADEQUATE AND EQUITABLE RESOURCES FOR ADDITIONAL AGE-APPROPRIATE CLASSROOMS AND FULLY FUND TRANSPORTATION COSTS IN ORDER TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THE LOCAL COMMUNITY.**

Recommend Passage

**RESOLUTION NUMBER ONE A**  
**FULLY FUND SCHOOL-BASED FOUR YEAR OLD PROGRAM**  
**(WITHDRAWN)**

Submitted by North Branch Area School Board

**BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE MINNESOTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION URGES THE LEGISLATURE TO FULLY FUND ANY ADDITIONAL SCHOOL-BASED FOUR YEAR OLD PROGRAMMING THAT INCLUDES COSTS FOR FACILITIES, TRANSPORTATION, STAFF, AND SUPPLIES.**

Recommend Opposition in Lieu of MSBA Board Resolution #1

**RESOLUTION NUMBER TWO**  
**SUPPORT FOR GUIDANCE COUNSELORS IN MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL**  
**(FAILED: YES - 53; NO - 63)**

Submitted by Red Wing School Board

**BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE MINNESOTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION URGES THE LEGISLATURE TO SUPPORT AND FUND ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE COUNSELORS IN THE HIGH SCHOOLS AND MIDDLE SCHOOLS TO MEET THE THREE GOALS OF THE WORLD'S BEST WORKFORCE LEGISLATION: 1) CLOSE THE ACHIEVEMENT GAPS AMONG STUDENTS, 2) PREPARE ALL STUDENTS FOR CAREER AND COLLEGE READINESS, AND 3) ENSURE ALL STUDENTS GRADUATE FROM HIGH SCHOOL.**

Recommend Opposition, in Lieu of Present Policy

SCHOOL FINANCE – STATE AID

RESOLUTION NUMBER THREE  
REVENUE FOR RESEARCH BASED PRACTICES TO CLOSE ACHIEVEMENT GAP  
**(FAILED: YES - 35; NO - 81)**

Submitted by Mahtomedi School Board

**BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE MINNESOTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION URGES THE LEGISLATURE TO ALLOCATE FUNDS FOR DISTRICTS TO DO ACTION RESEARCH ABOUT THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP AND APPLYING SOLUTIONS.**

Recommend Passage

RESOLUTION NUMBER FOUR  
GENERAL EDUCATION DISPARITY AID  
**(PASSED: YES - 101; NO - 15)**

Submitted by Farmington Area School Board

**BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE MINNESOTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION URGES THE LEGISLATURE TO PROVIDE GENERAL EDUCATION DISPARITY AID.**

Recommend Passage

RESOLUTION NUMBER FIVE  
FUNDING FOR EL STUDENTS  
**(PASSED: YES - 100; NO - 14)**

Submitted by Mankato Area School Board

**BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE MINNESOTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION URGES THE LEGISLATURE TO SUPPORT THE SEVEN-YEAR FUNDING TIMEFRAME FOR EL STUDENTS BASED ON THE NEED FOR ACQUISITION OF ACADEMIC PROFICIENCY.**

Recommend Passage

TAXATION – LEVIES

RESOLUTION NUMBER SIX  
EXPAND USE OF LONG-TERM FACILITIES MAINTENANCE REVENUE  
**(PASSED: YES - 111; NO - 6)**

Submitted by MSBA Board of Directors

**BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE MINNESOTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION URGES THE LEGISLATURE TO EXPAND THE ALLOWED USE OF LONG-TERM FACILITIES MAINTENANCE REVENUE.**

Recommend Passage

TAXATION – LEVIES

RESOLUTION NUMBER SEVEN  
ADJUSTMENT TAX BASE FOR FACILITIES MAINTENANCE  
**(PASSED, AS AMENDED: YES - 100; NO - 14)**

Submitted by Robert Moller, New London-Spicer School Board Member and Member of the Delegate Assembly

**BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE MINNESOTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION URGES THE LEGISLATURE THAT THE CALCULATION FOR SEASONAL/RECREATIONAL PROPERTY IN THE TAX BASE USED FOR THE LONG-TERM FACILITIES MAINTENANCE REVENUE PROGRAM BE REDUCED SO THAT DISTRICTS WITH HIGH CONCENTRATIONS OF SEASONAL/RECREATIONAL PROPERTY QUALIFIES FOR EQUALIZATION AID ADJUSTED TO COVER THE REMOVAL OF SEASONAL/RECREATIONAL PROPERTY FROM THE TAX BASE AND INCREASE THE EQUALIZATION FACTOR ENOUGH TO ENSURE OTHER SCHOOL DISTRICTS ARE NOT PENALIZED BY THE CHANGE.**

Recommend Passage, if amended

RESOLUTION NUMBER EIGHT  
SCHOOL TICKETS AND ADMISSIONS SALES TAX EXEMPTION MADE PERMANENT  
**(PASSED: YES - 109; NO - 4)**

Submitted by North Branch Area School Board

**BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE MINNESOTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION URGES THE LEGISLATURE TO MAKE PERMANENT THE SALES TAX EXEMPTION FOR ADMISSIONS TO ALL MINNESOTA STATE HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE (MSHSL) EVENTS. THE AMOUNT OF SALES TAX EXEMPTION WOULD BE TRANSFERRED TO A NONPROFIT CHARITABLE FOUNDATION TO ASSIST STUDENTS IN HIGH SCHOOL EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES.**

Recommend Passage

RESOLUTION NUMBER NINE  
AGRICULTURE PROPERTY TAX INEQUITY  
**(PASSED: YES - 100; NO - 11)**

Submitted by Worthington School Board

**BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE MINNESOTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION URGES THE LEGISLATURE TO PROVIDE LEADERSHIP IN ADDRESSING THE ISSUE OF SCHOOL BOND REFERENDUM ISSUES AND PROVIDE SOLUTIONS THAT WILL SUPPORT A MORE EQUITABLE APPROACH IN REFERENCE TO AGRICULTURAL TAXES.**

Recommend Passage

SCHOOL BOARD – EMPLOYEE RELATIONS

RESOLUTION NUMBER TEN  
MERGE THE TEACHER DEVELOPMENT AND EVALUATION AND ALTERNATIVE  
TEACHER PERFORMANCE PAY SYSTEM

**(PASSED: YES - 89; NO - 23)**

Submitted by MSBA Board of Directors

**BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE MINNESOTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION URGES THE LEGISLATURE TO MERGE THE TEACHER DEVELOPMENT (TDE) AND EVALUATION AND ALTERNATIVE TEACHER PROFESSIONAL PAY SYSTEM (ATPPS).**

Recommend Passage

RESOLUTION NUMBER ELEVEN  
SCIENCE TEACHER LICENSE ADJUSTMENT

**(PASSED: YES - 96; NO - 19)**

Submitted by Red Lake Falls and Red Lake County Central School Boards

**BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE MINNESOTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION URGES THE LEGISLATURE TO MAKE ADJUSTMENTS TO MINNESOTA RULE 8710.4770 TEACHERS OF SCIENCE ENDORSEMENT LICENSURE BY EXAMINATION, TO MAKE IT POSSIBLE UNDER THIS RULE FOR TEACHERS WITH A 9-12 SCIENCE LICENSE TO ADD BY EXAMINATION ADDITIONAL SCIENCE LICENSE FOR 7-12.**

Recommend Passage

RESOLUTION NUMBER TWELVE  
REMOVING A SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER

**(FAILED: YES - 27; NO - 84)**

Submitted by Art Johnston & Harry Welty Duluth School Board Members; Martha Van Denburgh, St. Francis School Board Members and Mike Line, Barnum School Board Member

**BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE MINNESOTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION URGES THE LEGISLATURE TO REPEAL M.S. 123B.09 SUBDIVISION 9, REMOVING SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS.**

Recommend Opposition

GOVERNANCE

RESOLUTION NUMBER THIRTEEN  
SCHOOL BOARD VACANCY  
**(PASSED: YES - 103; NO - 4)**

Submitted by MSBA Board of Directors

**BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE MINNESOTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION URGES THE LEGISLATURE TO REPEAL M.S. 123B.095 "VACANCY IN THE OFFICE OF SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER."**

Recommend Passage

RESOLUTION NUMBER FOURTEEN  
MINNESOTA STATE HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE (MSHSL) ACTIVITIES QUALIFY FOR GRADUATION CREDITS  
**(FAILED: YES - 24; NO - 89)**

Submitted by New London-Spicer School Board

**BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE MINNESOTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION URGES THE LEGISLATURE TO ALLOW A STUDENT PARTICIPATING IN A MINNESOTA STATE HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE (MSHSL) SPONSORED ATHLETIC OR FINE ARTS ACTIVITY MAY FULFILL A PHYSICAL EDUCATION OR ARTS CREDIT REQUIREMENT.**

Recommend Passage

RESOLUTION NUMBER FIFTEEN  
EXPANSION OF INNOVATION ZONE WAIVERS  
**(PASSED: YES - 88; NO - 21)**

Submitted by Farmington Area School Board

**BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE MINNESOTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION URGES THE LEGISLATURE TO PROVIDE THE EDUCATION COMMISSIONER MORE AUTHORITY IN EXEMPTING DISTRICTS FROM STATE STATUTES TO ACHIEVE INNOVATION ZONE GOALS.**

Recommend Passage

EDUCATION PROGRAMS

RESOLUTION NUMBER SIXTEEN  
EXPAND THE TEACHER LOAN FORGIVENESS PROGRAM  
**(PASSED: YES - 74; NO - 32)**

Submitted by MSBA Board of Directors

**BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE MINNESOTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION URGES THE LEGISLATURE TO EXPAND THE TEACHER LOAN FORGIVENESS PROGRAM TO HELP ADDRESS THE LONG-TERM TEACHER SHORTAGE.**

Recommend Passage

**Amendment to Resolution #17**

RESOLUTION NUMBER SEVENTEEN  
CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT  
**(PASSED AS AMENDED: YES - 92; NO - 11)**

(Submitted by Park Rapids Area)

~~**BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE MINNESOTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION URGES THE LEGISLATURE TO HALT ESTABLISHMENT OF A POLICY WHICH WOULD REQUIRE CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT TEACHERS TO HAVE A MASTERS DEGREE IN THE CONTENT AREA OR 18 GRADUATE CREDITS IN THE SUBJECT AREA THEY ARE TEACHING.**~~

**WHEREAS, MINNESOTA PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS HAVE AN EXEMPLARY HISTORY OF PRODUCING STUDENTS WHO ARE COLLEGE OR CAREER READY, AND**

**WHEREAS, THE CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT/COLLEGE IN THE CLASSROOM (CE/CIS) PROGRAMS IN MINNESOTA PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS CONTINUE TO PROVIDE A HIGH STANDARD OF EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINNESOTA STUDENTS,**

**BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE MINNESOTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION URGES THE LEGISLATURE TO ENGAGE THE HIGHER LEARNING COMMISSION (HLC) IN DISCUSSIONS TO EXPLORE AND FIND ALTERNATIVE APPROACHES TO THE CURRENT HLC POLICY RELATED TO HIGH SCHOOL CE/CIS INSTRUCTORS AND TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO MITIGATE THE EFFECT OF THE POLICY REQUIREMENTS PUT FORTH BY THE HLC TO MAINTAIN THE STRUCTURE AND HIGH STANDARDS FOR CE/CIS INSTRUCTORS.**

EDUCATION PROGRAMS

RESOLUTION NUMBER EIGHTEEN  
REGIONAL TASK FORCES TO RESOLVE HIGHER LEARNING COMMISSION (HLC)  
FACULTY QUALIFICATIONS FOR CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT  
**(PASSED: YES - 71; NO - 27)**

Submitted by Mahtomedi School Board

**BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE MINNESOTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION URGES THE LEGISLATURE TO CREATE A REGIONAL TASK FORCE TO RESOLVE THE FACULTY REQUIREMENTS FOR CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT PROGRAM.**

Without Recommendation

RESOLUTION NUMBER NINETEEN  
COMPREHENSIVE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES  
**(FAILED: YES - 30; NO - 74)**

Submitted by Faribault School Board

**BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE MINNESOTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION URGES THE LEGISLATURE TO PROVIDE SUPPORT FOR THE TRAINING OF SCHOOL STAFF ON MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES, COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL-BASED MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AND BUILDING LINKS BETWEEN SCHOOLS AND THE COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM. CHILDREN AND YOUTH WITH MENTAL ILLNESS SHOULD GET THE CARE THEY NEED TO KEEP THEIR LIVES ON TRACK AND TO ULTIMATELY LEAD INDEPENDENT AND PRODUCTIVE ADULT LIVES.**

Recommend Opposition

**Amendment to Resolution #19**

**(FAILED: YES - 38; NO - 57)**

**BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE MINNESOTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION URGES THE LEGISLATURE TO INCREASE FUNDING TO THE SCHOOL-LINKED MENTAL HEALTH GRANT SO THAT AGENCIES CAN PROVIDE ON-SITE MENTAL HEALTH PRACTITIONERS IN EACH MINNESOTA PUBLIC AND CHARTER SCHOOL. REIMBURSE THE ACTUAL COST OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES PROVIDED THROUGH CHILDREN'S THERAPY SERVICES AND SUPPORTS (CTSS) AND PAID BY MEDICAL ASSISTANCE (MA) TO THE ACTUAL COST OF THE SERVICES RATHER THAN HALF OF THE MA ALLOWABLE RATE. IN ADDITION, REQUIRE PRIVATE INSURANCE TO PAY FOR THE SERVICES PROVIDED THROUGH CTSS.**

EDUCATION PROGRAMS

RESOLUTION NUMBER TWENTY  
**RESCIND SEAT TIME REQUIREMENTS**  
**(FAILED: YES - 26; NO - 79)**

Submitted by Farmington Area School Board

**BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE MINNESOTA SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION URGES  
THE LEGISLATURE TO RESCIND SEAT TIME REQUIREMENTS FOR  
MINNESOTA HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS.**

Recommend Opposition in Lieu of Present Policy