

SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1
Board of Education

June 2, 2020

Resolution to Terminate the Contract for Services with the Minneapolis Police Department for the Services of School Resource Officers

WHEREAS, Special School District No. 1, Minneapolis Public Schools (District) is responsible for all interactions students have with adults in our school buildings in order to promote a positive school climate; and

WHEREAS, recent actions of officers in the Minneapolis Police Department run directly counter to the values the District seeks in partners; and

WHEREAS, the District has decided the current contract and any continuing contract for services with the Minneapolis Police Department do not align with the priorities of the District's equity and social emotional learning goals; and

WHEREAS, District policy 1304 states, "Minneapolis Public Schools is committed to identifying and correcting practices and policies that perpetuate the achievement gap and institutional racism in all forms in order to provide all of its students with the opportunity to succeed...the elimination of bias, particularly racism and cultural bias, as factors affecting student achievement and learning experiences, and to promote learning and work environments that welcome, respect and value diversity."

SO, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors, Special School District No. 1, terminates the Contract for Services with the Minneapolis Police Department for the services of School Resource Officers, and directs the Superintendent to take action necessary to terminate the contract.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors, Special School District No. 1 directs the Superintendent to cease any further negotiations with the Minneapolis Police Department for the services of School Resource Officers.

FINALLY, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors, Special School District No. 1 directs the Superintendent to provide the Board of Directors with recommendations on how the students of the District will be served and safety maintained by August 18, 2020.

Signed by:

Kim Ellison
Board of Education Chairperson

Date

Josh Pauly
Board of Education Clerk

Date

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