

MSBO School Finance Committee Minutes
Online Zoom Meeting
May 15, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 12:31pm.

Mark Mesbergen, Chairperson, initiated a CREC icebreaker with the group.

Consensus Revenue Estimating Conference Debrief — *Noel Benson, House Fiscal*

Reviewed the May Consensus Revenue Estimating Conference. Some highlights are:

- GDP 2% growth
- State Revenue Estimates Summary
- School Aid Fund Summary
- School Aid Fund 25-26 Fund balance \$1.01 billion
- School Aid Fund 26-27 \$2.1 billion
- General Fund 25-26 Fund Balance (\$155 million) deficit
- General Fund 26-27 Fund Bund Balance (\$1 billion) deficit
- Pupil Membership Estimates down 13,000 from last year
- Questions

MSBO Update – Jason Helsen, MSBO Associate Executive Director of Business & Finance

- MSBO will post a CREC summary on the website.
- CREC documents are on the MSBO website
- Upcoming MSBO Events: Financial Statement Prep, CPA Workshop

Roundtable discussion was offered

- Mark Mesbergen opened up for roundtable.

Mark Mesbergen, Chairperson, gave thanks to all with a reminder that the next meeting will be held June 19, 2026, remote.

Meeting adjourned at 1:07 pm.

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