

Range Association of Municipalities and Schools

Board Meeting Agenda
Thursday, September 24, 2026, 6PM
Northeast Service Cooperative Building
5525 Emerald Avenue, Mt Iron, MN 55768
In person preferred – [Virtual Option](#)

- 1. Call to order, Board roll call**
- 2. Review and approve agenda** (Action)
- 3. Introductions and guests**
- 4. Consent Agenda** (Action)
 1. Regular Meeting Minutes: May 28, 2026
 2. RAMS Letters
 - a. Impaired Waters List
 - b. Gas Permitting
 - c. Virginia HRA Application
 - d. US Trade Representative petition regarding foreign steel dumping and beneficial tariff application
 - e. New Range Federal Application
 - f. RAMS Press Release Opposing Mining Ban
- 5. Finance Committee Report** (Action)
 1. Finance Committee Meeting held on June 24, 2026
 - A. Expenditures (May 28 – June 23, 2026)
 - B. Profit and Loss Budget vs Actual
 - C. Balance Sheet
 2. Finance Committee Meeting held on July 23, 2026
 - A. Expenditures (June 24 – July 22, 2026)
 - B. Profit and Loss Budget vs Actual
 - C. Balance Sheet
 3. Finance Committee Meeting held on August 27, 2026
 - A. Expenditures (July 23 – August 26, 2026)
 - B. Profit and Loss Budget vs Actual
 - C. Balance Sheet
 4. Finance Committee Meeting held on September 24, 2026
 - A. Expenditures (August 27 – September 23, 2026)
 - B. Profit and Loss Budget vs Actual
 - C. Balance Sheet
- 6. Appearance** - Shawntel Gruba and Staci Gilpin - the economic impact of the lack of childcare and its effects on the Taconite Assistance Area businesses and communities.
- 7. Executive Director Report**
- 8. Old Business**
- 9. New Business**
 1. Consider approval of 2025 RAMS Audit
 2. Consider sponsorship request for permanent school fund constitutional amendment campaign
 3. Consider approval of RAMS comments: Mile Post 7 West Ridge Railroad Relocation, Dam Progressions, and Stream Mitigation Project
 4. Consider approval of Letter of Support for City of Virginia housing application to IRRR

5. Consider approval of RAMS Board Resolution 26-02 “Childcare Tax Credit”
6. Consider sponsorship of Mineland Vision Partnership video project: “Reclamation”
7. Consider Motion to close session as permitted by section 13D.05, subdivision 3 for labor negotiations.

10. Board Member Updates: Around the table; Member floor privileges

11. Future Meetings and Notable Events

1. October 22 – Regular Board Meeting
2. November 19 - Regular Board Meeting
3. Thursday, December 3, 2026 - RAMS Annual Meeting and Dinner, ITMEC, Virginia

12. Other

13. Adjourn