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The Crete Board of Education met on Monday, June 8, 2026, at 6:00 PM at the Cardinal Welcome Center for their Regular Meeting. Board members present were Justin Kuntz, President; Greg Hollman, Vice President; Vince Krejci, Secretary; Greg Mach, Scott Piening, and Michaela Conway. Also in attendance were Josh McDowell, Superintendent; Ryan Hinz, Chief Financial Officer; Brittany Hajek, Chief Academic Officer; Jenny Beck, Chief of Staff; Katie Bevins, Director of Student Services; Joel Bramhall, Director of Federal Programs; Melissa Frans, Director of Instructional Programs; Shannon Cole, Intermediate Principal; Perla Jaimes, Middle School Principal; Matt Martin, Director of Activities; Jennifer Banos, Executive Assistant; and interested members of the community.

The meeting, having been duly preceded by advance notice and conducted in accordance with the posted open meetings law, was called to order by President Kuntz at 6:00 p.m.

The Mission Statement was read by Dr. McDowell.

There was no public comment at this meeting.

Milk & Bread bids were included in tonight's agenda. The recommendations were reviewed at last Wednesday's working session. Dr. McDowell highlighted claims of interest.

Motion #48-26 Mr Greg Hollman moved to approve the Approve the consent agenda as published. Hollman abstains from NIFCO payment of \$245; Krejci abstains from Pinnacle Bank payments 29653.65. Seconded Mr Vince Krejci. On roll call: Motion Carried

Michaela Conway: Yea, Mr Greg Hollman: Yea, Mr Vince Krejci: Yea, Justin Kuntz: Yea, Greg Mach: Yea, Mr Scott Piening: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Nurse Jessie Herman shared her nomination letter for Nurse Carmen Hesser to receive the Nebraska School Nurse of the Year Award. Mrs. Carmen Hesser received this award last week at the School Nurse Conference.

Dr. Hajek provided a high-level overview of assessment data for the 2025-2026 School Year to the Board. Brief overviews of assessment purposes were given, as well as the number of times the assessments are given, followed by highlights of results by grade level.

Mrs. Becks provided the Board an End-of-Year Review of K-12 Transportation. A timeline for the 2026-2027 School year was presented as well. The report encompassed busing and fleet transportation.

Mr. Hinz provided revenue and expenditure comparisons through May. Tax collection comparisons of the 2025 calendar year and the 2026 year-to-date were presented. A timeline of finance department items that are ahead was shared with the Board.

The Superintendent's report included:

Construction update: The Official Certificate of Occupancy for the Cardinal Track has been received

CWC Panel in process of repair

MS Flooring project is up and running

Track repair and maintenance are in motion

IS Intercom system all parts are here, just need to complete

CWC has been busy with curriculum work and staff trainings

DLT had the first day of their summer retreat last Friday

New APs received an onboarding orientation this morning
Revision Action Grant was received (two years in a row)

Mr. Matt Martin, Activities Director, and Coach Ehlers presented the out-of-state travel request for basketball teams to holiday tournaments. The board asked clarifying questions Motion #49-26 Mr Greg Hollman moved to approve the approve out of state travel requests for boys and girls basketball as set forth in the materials.

Seconded Mr Vince Krejci. On roll call: Motion Carried

Michaela Conway: Yea, Mr Greg Hollman: Yea, Mr Vince Krejci: Yea, Justin Kuntz: Yea, Greg Mach: Yea, Mr Scott Piening: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

The next BOE meeting will be on Wednesday, July 8, 2026, at 6:30 PM.

Motion #50-26 Mr Greg Hollman moved to approve the adjournment of the regular board meeting at 6:51 PM. Seconded Mr Vince Krejci. On roll call: Motion Carried

Michaela Conway: Yea, Mr Greg Hollman: Yea, Mr Vince Krejci: Yea, Justin Kuntz: Yea, Greg Mach: Yea, Mr Scott Piening: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Attest: _____ Signed: _____
(Secretary) (President)