

Board of Education Regular Meeting
Dundy County Stratton Public School
Benkelman NE 69021

The Dundy County Stratton Board of Education met on Monday, April 13, 2026 at Dundy County Stratton High School.

President Fries called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Attendance Taken at 6:00 PM. Jennifer Fries: Present, Steve Guernsey: Present, Ted Henderson: Present, Nick Ladenburger: Present, Kent Lorens: Absent, Cole Lutz: Present, Sandy Noffsinger: Present, Lindsay Stamm: Present, Shad Stamm: Absent. Present: 7, Absent: 2. Attendance Update taken at 6:19 PM. Shad Stamm: Present. Present: 8, Absent: 1. Attendance Update taken at 6:30 PM. Kent Lorens: Present. Present: 9.

Others present:

Alan D Garey, Superintendent
Sandy O'Neil, Secondary Principal
Kris Freeland, Elementary Principal
Ronda Sargent, Recording Secretary/Business Manager
Emma Baldeh, Student Board Representative

Pledge of Allegiance. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

President Fries stated that the board follows the Open Meetings Act Guidelines which are located in the meeting room. The Board of Education may enter closed session during the meeting when it determines that doing so is appropriate and is authorized by the provisions of the Open Meeting Act.

Awards and Recognitions

Stamm recognized Emma Baldeh for her performance at State Speech. Garey announced that Hasting College announced Emma Baldeh earned a National Gold Medal for her story, "The Best Companion," placing her among the top young writers in the country. Noffsinger recognized the Jr. High students for their exceptional behavior during the career day at Dundy County Hospital. Coach Mike Spargo was the author of an article in the Nebraska Coach Association. Stamm reported that Emily Trisdale was very appreciative of the support for the State Spelling Bee. Freeland thanked Noffsinger and Stamm for all their endless work and support with the childcare center.

Public comment

No public comment.

Reports

Technology report

In written form:

Elementary principal report

In written form:

Secondary principal report

In written form:

Transportation report

In written form:

Superintendent report

In written form:

Board and committee reports

Board information

Finance/Budget/Legislation committee

Transportation/Facilities/Grounds committee

Curriculum/Activities/Staff Development committee

Americanism committee

Negotiations committee

Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the consent agenda as presented passed with a motion by Noffsinger and a second by Guernsey. Ladenburger: Yea, Lorens: Yea, Lutz: Yea, Noffsinger: Yea, L Stamm: Yea, Stamm: Yea, Fries: Yea, Guernsey: Yea, Henderson: Yea. Yea: 9, Nay: 0. The consent agenda includes the verification of notice of the meeting by publication in the Benkelman Post & News Chronicle, a legal newspaper for Dundy County and to each member of the board, approval of the minutes from the March 9, 2026 regular meeting, the approval of the bills as presented in the amount of \$523,519.16 for the general fund \$20,634.56 for the activity fund; \$18,708.49 for the nutrition fund; \$30,065.95 for depreciation fund; \$185,000.00 for special building fund.

Business Meeting

Financial Report

Garey presented the financials with no concerns and the district is in great financial position.

Motion to approve the financial report as presented passed with a motion by Stamm and a second by Ladenburger. Lorens: Yea, Lutz: Yea, Noffsinger: Yea, L Stamm: Yea, Stamm: Yea, Fries: Yea, Guernsey: Yea, Henderson: Yea, Ladenburger: Yea. Yea: 9, Nay: 0.

New Teacher Contract

Motion to extend a contract with Jeff Gleisberg for the 2026-2027 school year passed with a motion by L Stamm and a second by Lorens. Lutz: Yea, Noffsinger: Yea, L Stamm: Yea, Stamm: Yea, Fries: Yea, Guernsey: Yea, Henderson: Yea, Ladenburger: Yea, Lorens: Yea. Yea: 9, Nay: 0

Surplus Property

Motion to decline the offer for the 1999 Chevy Mid-Bus passed with a motion by L Stamm and a second by Lorens. Noffsinger: Yea, L Stamm: Yea, Stamm: Yea, Fries: Yea, Guernsey: Yea, Henderson: Yea, Ladenburger: Yea, Lorens: Yea, Lutz: Yea. Yea: 9, Nay: 0.

NASB information

Garey, Freeland and Sargent attended the budget and finance meeting in Ogallala.

Legislation

LB824 passed.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 7:19 passed with a motion by Noffsinger and a second by Ladenburger. L Stamm: Yea, Stamm: Yea, Fries: Yea, Guernsey: Yea, Henderson: Yea, Ladenburger: Yea, Lorens: Yea, Lutz: Yea, Noffsinger: Yea. Yea: 9, Nay: 0.


Lindsay Stamm, Secretary