

November 10, 2025

The Crete Board of Education met on -Date- 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; Meagan Kershner, 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; Jodi Erickson Director of Nutrition Services; Melissa Frans, Director of Instructional Programs; Ryan Hinz, Director of Adult & Family Education; Justin Nickel, Director of Maintenance; Josh Littrell, Director of Transportation; Ross Louch, Director of Information Technology; Sarah Sell, Interim Elementary Principal; Janet Carriker, Interim Elementary Assistant Principal; Shannon Cole, Intermediate Principal; Brent Cain, Intermediate Assistant Principal; Perla Jaimes, Middle School Principal; Randy Newmyer, Middle School Assistant Principal; BT Kracl, Community Schools Coordinator; Cory Bohling, High School Principal; Marcy Harrifeld, High School Assistant Principal; Matt Martin, Director of Activities; Stan Croft President of CEA; 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 Pledge of Allegiance was recited by the room.

The Mission Statement was read by Dr. McDowell.

There was no public comment at this meeting.

Dr. McDowell highlighted claims of interest. Approving Policy 3132.

There was clarifying discussion about the consent agenda. Motion #77-25 Mr Greg Hollman moved to approve the consent agenda as published. 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: Absent  
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Crete High School Theatre leaders presented information about what they do as a club. This year CHS Theatre has started an honor troupe started in coordination with the International Thespian Society.

Dr. McDowell provided an update on the Project Rise construction project. There is a large concrete plan that needs to be completed before Mammoth's final 10% payment is released. The Board asked clarifying questions.

Dr. Hajek provided a recap of Wednesday's presentation on the Comprehensive Literacy State Development (CLSD) Grant, adding future goals.

Mrs. Beck provided a department update. Bus ridership has changed but bus fee collection has improved, At this time there are no major building facility projects taking place at this time. We will start seeking bids for summer projects soon, which were built into the current budget.

Mr. Hinz provided a finance department update, including: the Treasurer's report, current cash conservation, revenue projections, expenditure projections, Special Education Financial Report, State Aid recalculations, and the Audited Annual Financial Report.

Dr. McDowell's Superintendent report included:  
highlights from today's professional development  
Innive internal data system was launched today to the entire district  
KSO Auditors will not be auditing next year, the search for a new firm is ongoing  
Foundation Teacher Mini Grants were awarded last Friday  
Let's Talk transitioning to OnFlo; the tab now includes a chat bot

The next BOE meeting will be on Wednesday, December 3rd, at 6:30 pm in the Zoom Room.

Motion #78-25 Mr Greg Hollman moved to approve the adjournment of the regular board meeting at 6:57 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: Absent

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_ Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Secretary) (President)