

Board of Education Regular Meeting

Monday, November 10, 2025 7:00 PM Central

HS CONFERENCE ROOM

705 N 9th Street

Arlington, NE 68002

1. OPENING PROCEDURES

1.1. Call Meeting to Order

Chase Kratochvil called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

1.2. Roll Call

Jason Arp: Present, Cassie Flesner: Present, Chase Kratochvil: Present, Brian Laaker: Present, Steve Slykhuis: Present, Shanon Willmott: Present.

Jacque Morgan Elementary Principal, Dawn Lewis, Superintendent, and recording Secretary Jennifer Arp were also present. Aaron Pfingsten and James Shada were unavailable due to hosting a JH Girls Wrestling meet this evening. Mr. Shada was present for a short time to present the scoreboard information and his Secondary Report.

1.3. Pledge of Allegiance

1.4. Approval of Regular Meeting Agenda

Motion to approve the regular meeting agenda as presented Passed with a motion by Steve Slykhuis and a second by Brian Laaker.

Jason Arp: Yea, Cassie Flesner: Yea, Chase Kratochvil: Yea, Brian Laaker: Yea, Steve Slykhuis: Yea, Shanon Willmott: Yea

2. WELCOME TO GUESTS AND PUBLIC FORUM

Lisa Flesner was present at tonight's board meeting and addressed concerns about the financials. She expressed her concerns about the funds in activity accounts and about the scoreboards- and the funding that is going towards the scoreboards. Mr. Kratochvil addressed Mrs Flesner's concerns and said he would respond at a later date with some answers.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the consent agenda as presented Passed with a motion by Chase Kratochvil and a second by Cassie Flesner.

Jason Arp: Yea, Cassie Flesner: Yea, Chase Kratochvil: Yea, Brian Laaker: Yea, Steve Slykhuis: Yea, Shanon Willmott: Yea

3.1. Minutes of the Previous Board Meeting(s)

3.2. Monthly Financial Reports

3.3.

Resignations:

Hires:

Reassignments:

4. CURRICULUM/INSTRUCTION REPORTS

- Social Studies

Helen Regier, Jeff Hallstrom, and Kyle Buckingham were all present at tonight's meeting to present the Social Studies and history curriculum and classes for the board. They are the teachers of the Middle School and High School classes.

5. PRINCIPALS REPORTS

5.1. Scoreboard Sponsor Update

Mr. Shada provided the board with an updated list of sponsors. He updated the board with a new sponsor that will be an anchor sponsor. The board asked a few questions about how active we are looking for sponsors and if we will still continue to seek or approach potential sponsors. They

wanted to be assured that sponsors would still continue to be looking for sponsors even though spots are filled or full.

5.2. Mr. Pfingsten's Secondary Report

5.3. Dr. Morgan's Elementary Report

5.4. Mr. Shada's Activity Report

6. SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT

Dr. Lewis updated the board with Legislative updates, AFR/Audit, and the state education conference. The third and final DLR focus group will meet and go over more of the planning process, discussing renovations and possible updates to the facility for the future.

Dr. Lewis also wanted to provide the board with some information with regard to an upcoming trip/meeting that she would have to be present at that would pull her away from the Board meeting in June 2026. She would like the board to begin thinking about what that board meeting might look like.

State Board of education conference Nov 20-21 — those board members registered will discuss plans and travel for that meeting.

6.1. Legislative Preview

6.2. Discussion of June 2026 Regular board meeting:

- Dr. Lewis Scheduled to be in Wash DC for NCSA on June 8

6.3. ESU 3 Annual Report

6.4. AFR/Audit Update

6.5. NRCSA and NASB Reports

6.6. Update on DLR Process

- Third Focus Group Meeting Nov 17 at 5:00pm

6.7. State Education Conference Nov 20-21

- Schedule and Transportation Arrangements

7. COMMITTEE AND REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS

7.1. Negotiations Committee

Negotiations committee met with the AEA for an initial meeting on Oct 28th- the second meeting will need to be rescheduled due to some conflicts with members. A new date will be set soon.

8. NEW BUSINESS

8.1. Discuss, Consider and Take Necessary Action to Approve Baseball Field Improvement For Legion Baseball to be Reimbursed

Motion to Approve Baseball Field Improvement For Legion Baseball to be Reimbursed by the Legion Passed with a motion by Steve Slykhuis and a second by Brian Laaker.

Jason Arp: Yea, Cassie Flesner: Yea, Chase Kratochvil: Yea, Brian Laaker: Yea, Steve Slykhuis: Yea, Shanon Willmott: Yea

Legion coaches made the improvements, and have the funds for the bill. They desire to run the expense through the activity fund at school, and reimburse us for the amount to save the tax money for further improvements at the baseball field.

Dr. Lewis provided the board with the updates of the expenses, she explained to the board the

reasons why they are asking to utilize the school for this project.

8.2. Review Policies 5416-5601:

- 5416- Student Fees Appendix and Policy
- 5417- School Wellness Policy and Administrative Regulation
- 5418- Homeless Student Policy and Forms
- 5419- Student Privacy Protection Policy
- 5420- Date Violence Policy
- 5421- Use of Restraints and Seclusion
- 5422- Pregnant and Parenting Students
- 5501- Bus Transportation
- 5503- Use of School Buses
- 5504- Special Education Transportation
- 5505- Safe Pupil Transportation Plan
- 5506- Safe Pupil Transportation
- 5507- Foster Care Student Transportation
- 5601- Asthma and Allergic Reaction Protocol and Physician Form

The board reviewed the attached policies as annual review required by the state.

The board had the opportunity to ask questions if necessary, but no new updates to any policies or changes are being presented this evening.

8.3. Discuss, Consider and Take Necessary Action to Approve Budgeted Transfer to Activities Fund for Athletics Account to Balance End of Fiscal Year 2024-2025 for the Amount of \$33,348.48

Motion to Approve Budgeted Transfer to Activities Fund for Athletics Account to Balance End of Fiscal Year 2024-2025 for the Amount of \$33,348.48 Passed with a motion by Chase Kratochvil and a second by Jason Arp.

Jason Arp: Yea, Cassie Flesner: Yea, Chase Kratochvil: Yea, Brian Laaker: Yea, Steve Slykhuis: Yea, Shanon Willmott: Yea

Mr. Kratochvil presented information to the board on the state of the funds for the activity account. Mr. Kratochvil spoke about the fact that our school, along with many other school districts, that the activity fund, is always at a loss due to the nature of the funding. Costs keep going up, and we do not ask our students to pay any fees to participate in any activities to make up for differences in the costs.

The transfer is to make up the negative that the account acquired throughout the year and will zero out the negative balance, making it easier to track the expenses and revenues for the year starting with a \$0 balance. This is just a better way to show the balance and has always been budgeted in the general budget each year, and a better way to get more eyes on it and easier to see the funding and how it flows each year.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Chase Kratochvil adjourned the meeting at 8:26 pm.

Chase Kratochvil, Board President

Dawn Lewis, Board Secretary

Date

Date