

**Cozad Community Schools  
Board of Education Special Meeting  
Monday, February 3, 2025 12:00 PM  
Office of the Superintendent**

Mission: Cozad Community Schools, in partnership with family and community, prepares students to be successful lifelong learners through quality education.

Vision: Cozad Creates Success

Values - Guiding Principles

Respect - Trust, appreciate, celebrate, value, act with urgency

Integrity - Do the right thing, deliver highest quality instruction and practice full accountability

Teamwork - Teamwork at all levels districtwide, recognize and celebrate, have fun and enjoy

Innovation - Positive attitude, open to new ideas,

Courage - Embrace change and take calculated risk, encourage others, communicate directly with respect

**1. BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL MEETING 12:00 P.M.**

**1.1. Call to Order, Roll Call**

**1.2. Pledge of Allegiance**

**1.3. Nebraska Open Meeting Law, Publication of Meeting**

This meeting has been preceded by advance notice and is hereby declared to be in open session. A current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted on the West wall of the meeting room.

Notice of this meeting was given in advance by publication in the Cozad Local and posted on the Cozad Community Schools website and at the District Office, Cozad Post Office and Wilson Public Library. Notice of this meeting was also given in advance to all members of the Board of Education. The order of agenda items may be changed when deemed necessary.

The board may choose to enter closed (executive) session to discuss any matter for which closed (executive) session is lawful and appropriate.

**1.4. Excused/Unexcused Board Member Absence**

**2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

This agenda item enables the board to validate if an item was added prior to the 24-hour period before the board meeting. If an item was added, the board may verify when the modifications were made and when the updated agenda was posted to the district website.

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT (AGENDA ITEM SPECIFIC)**

The Board of Education invites you to offer comments during the public comments portion of the agenda. This is the portion of the meeting when members of the public may speak to the board about matters on the agenda. The public will also have the ability to speak to the board on non-agenda items at the end of the meeting.

We have \_\_\_\_\_ speakers who have signed up to speak. We will allow \_\_\_\_ minutes per speaker for a total of \_\_\_\_\_ minutes.

During the public comment portion of this meeting, those who have signed up need to be allowed to speak without interruption for the time allotted by the Board. We understand that people may have strong feelings

about the issues they come to speak about. We ask that you respect the opinions of all who speak and that you refrain from applause, conduct that interferes with the Board meeting, or other outbursts during the presentations. Offensive language, vulgar personal attacks, or hostile conduct will not be tolerated. If the Board President determines any statement or comment constitutes offensive language, a vulgar personal attack, or hostile conduct, then the Board President will rule the person out of order, and the person forfeits any remaining time. You should be further advised that there is no legal protection for any comments that are made, including slanderous comments. Each person should choose their words carefully.

The Board is not obligated to respond to public comments or questions because such dialogue could violate the Open Meetings Act.

During the meeting, including during public comment, comments, outbursts, or interruptions from the audience will not be tolerated. After public comment, the Board will conduct its business. Remember that this is a public meeting, not a meeting of the public. Individuals wishing to speak must do so during public comment. Any attendee who chooses to interrupt Board business will be deemed out of order and may be asked to leave. Refusal to do so may result in removal.

The board needs to be allowed to conduct our business in this public setting uninterrupted. Any questions or concerns that arise from this meeting can be addressed via phone or email to the administration or Board after the meeting has concluded.

If the subject of your public comment is related to a particular student or staff member, we ask that you not mention the student or staff member by name in the public session. The Board has a complaint procedure in policy, and the Board will not respond to or consider any complaints unless and until an individual follows the complaint policy.

As a reminder, under the Open Meetings Act, the Board of Education is legally obligated to require any member of the public desiring to address the Board to identify himself or herself, including an address and the name of any organization you may represent. As a result, please state and spell your first and last name, state your current address, and let us know if you are here representing any particular organization before you begin your public comment.

It is now \_\_\_\_\_ p.m. Our first speaker \_\_\_\_\_

4. **DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND TAKE ALL NECESSARY ACTION IN REGARD TO THE FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS AND RANKINGS OF THE SELECTION COMMITTEE FOR THE POSITION OF CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AT RISK FOR THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL RENOVATION PROJECT**

## AGENDA

Discuss, consider and take all necessary action with regard to the Findings and Recommendations and Rankings of the Selection Committee for the position of Construction Manager at Risk for the elementary school renovation project.

MOTION

MOTION by \_\_\_\_\_ that the Board of Education of this School District should and does hereby approve and adopt the Resolution, as presented and attached hereto, with regard to the ranking and selection of Paulsen, Inc., as the top ranked construction manager at risk for the elementary school renovation project.

Board member \_\_\_\_\_ seconded the Motion and Resolution. After discussion and on roll call vote, the following Board members voted in favor of passage and adoption of the above Motion and Resolution:

\_\_\_\_\_.

The following Board members voted against the same:

\_\_\_\_\_.

The following Board members were absent or not voting:

\_\_\_\_\_.

The above Motion and Resolution having been consented to by a majority of the members of the Board of Education of this School District, were declared as passed and adopted by the Board President at a duly held and lawfully convened meeting in full compliance with the Nebraska Open Meetings Law.

DATED this 3th day of February, 2025.

DAWSON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 24-0001, A/K/A COZAD COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
President

## RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED by Dawson County School District 24-0001, a/k/a Cozad Community Schools, a Class III School District under the laws and statutes of the State of Nebraska, at this meeting of its Board of Education, ("School District"), the Findings and Recommendations and Rankings of the Selection Committee of the Board of Education with regard to the ranking and recommendation of the construction manager at risk for the elementary school renovation project ("Project"), in the form on file with official School District records, should be and is hereby received, adopted and approved;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, based upon the Findings and Recommendations and Rankings of the Selection Committee, the Board of Education of this School District should and does hereby rank the firms submitting proposals in order of preference for the position of the construction manager at risk for the Project as follows:

1st: Paulsen, Inc.

2nd: Meyers-Carlisle-Leapley Construction Company, Inc., d/b/a MCL Construction

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education of this School District should and hereby does authorize, direct, and delegate to the President of the Board of Education, Superintendent of Schools, or other designee, and legal counsel to negotiate a contract with the highest ranked firm identified above for the Project according to Board of Education policy, on terms and conditions deemed in the best interest of the School District, and then, upon completion of such negotiation and all other terms, conditions, and requirements of law, policy, and practice or the request for proposals requisite to entering into a contract, present all appropriate contract documents for contract adoption and approval by the Board of Education.

5. **DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND TAKE ALL NECESSARY ACTION IN REGARD TO AUDITORIUM RENOVATION SEATING BIDS**

**BID TABULATION FORM**  
**Cozad Community Schools**  
**Auditorium Renovation**

Wilkins Architecture Design Planning  
 2204 University Drive, Suite 130  
 Kearney, NE 68845

January 21, 2025, at 2:00 p.m.

GC	BASE BID Fixed Audience Seating	BASE BID Theatrical Lighting	ALT-E1 New Line Array	ALT-E2 Moving Lights	Alt- E3 Pipe	ALT 3 Grade 10 Fabric	ALT 4 Armrest	ALT 5 Aisle Arm	ALT 6 Donor Plates	Addendum (1)
Mid-States School Equipment Co. Inc.	\$135,775.00					\$17,231.00	\$6,755.00	\$1,760.00	\$6.28 ea	√
Carroll Seating	\$151,609.75					\$9,086.00	\$3,776.00	\$4,840.00	\$6.35 ea	
Carroll Seating						Vol Alt Grade G Fabric Deduct \$17,500				
Walter Electric		\$711,600	\$28,000	\$68,000	\$9,500					

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6. **DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND TAKE ALL NECESSARY ACTION IN REGARD TO AUDITORIUM RENOVATION THEATER LIGHTING AND SOUND BIDS**

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7. **DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND TAKE ALL NECESSARY ACTION IN REGARD TO ENTERING INTO NEGOTIATIONS WITH PAULSEN'S CONSTRUCTION TO SERVE AS OWNER'S REPRESENTATIVE FOR AUDITORIUM LIGHT, SOUND AND SEATS RENOVATION PROJECT**
8. **DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND TAKE ALL NECESSARY ACTION IN REGARD TO SECURITY CAMERA UPGRADES RELATED TO THE CURRENT CONSTRUCTION PROJECT**
9. **DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND TAKE ALL NECESSARY ACTION IN REGARD TO HIRING A PRINCIPAL FOR COZAD MIDDLE SCHOOL**
10. **DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND TAKE ALL NECESSARY ACTION IN REGARD TO HIRING A DIRECTOR OF TEACHING AND LEARNING/ELEMENTARY ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL FOR THE DISTRICT**
11. **AGENDA SETTING AND FUTURE MEETINGS**
12. **ADJOURNMENT**

\* **Closed Session:** If, during the course of the meeting, discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in a closed meeting, the board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Nebraska Open Meetings Law.

\*\***Sequence of Agenda:** The sequence of agenda topics is subject to change at the discretion of the board. Please arrive at the beginning of the meeting.

\*\*\***Action Item:** The board reserves the right to take action on any item on the board agenda.