

July 2026
Monday, July 13, 2026 7:00 PM

BOE Room
100 N Sycamore
Amherst, NE 68812-0008

Agenda

1. Call meeting to order
 - 1.1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Notice of adherence to the Open Meeting Law
3. Roll Call
 - 3.1. Excuse absent Board members
4. Approval of Minutes, Claims and Reports
 - 4.1. Review previous meeting minutes
 - 4.2. Review financial reports and monthly claims
 - 4.3. Board Action on consolidated motion for approving Minutes, Claims and Financial Reports
5. Public Comment
6. Reports and communications from board members.
7. Principal's Report
8. Superintendent's Report
 - + LB 596 — eliminates the requirement to publish notices in newspapers.
 - + Rock/crushed concrete gravel for parking lots
 - + New Policy Resolution in August
 - + Para educator update
 - + Transportation — Need to look into the purchase of a second Mini Van
9. Old Business
10. New Business
 - 10.1. Approve the Resolution of the Board of Education to Increase the base growth percentage by up to seven percent (7%).
 - 10.2. Set lunch prices for the 2026-27 school year.
 - 10.3. Approve 26-27 substitute teacher pay rate.
 - 10.4. Board Policy 2008 Meetings
 - 3003 Bidding for Construction, Remodeling, Repair, or Site Improvement
 - 3003.1 Bidding for Construction, Remodeling, Repair, or Site Improvement Federal Funds
 - 3004.1 Fiscal Management for Purchasing and Procurement using Federal Funds
 - 3048 Communicable Disease
 - 3061 ACH Originator
 - 4017 Relations with Employee Collective Bargaining Associations
 - 4019 Workplace Injury and Prevention and Safety Committee
 - 4052 Job References to Prospective Employers
 - 4053 Conflict of Interest
 - 4054 Reporting Child Abuse or Neglect
 - 4055 [Intentionally Left Blank]
 - 4056 Resignation of Certified Staff -Option 1
 - 4058 Confidentiality in Counseling and Guidance
 - 4060 School Vehicle Use

- 4061 Workplace or Non Workplace Injuries or Illness and Return to Work
- 4062 Locker Room Supervision
- 4063 Extra Duty and Extended Contract Payments
- 4064 Transporting Students in Employee Vehicles
- 4065 Staff Use of AI tools
- 5003 Admission of Part -Time students
- 5035 Student Discipline
- 5045 Student Fees
- 5048 Emergency Response to Life Threatening Asthma or Systemic Allergic Reactions
- 5052 Wellness
- 5054 Bullying Policy
- 5057 Title I Parent Involvement
- 6038 Student use of AI Tools
- 6045 Behavioral Intervention

- 10.5. Move forward with a bus Lease Option with Coach-Masters for a Route bus to be leased for the 2026-2027 school year to make the 2012 bus a back-up bus.
- 11. Miscellaneous or non-action items
 - 11.1. Superintendent Evaluation. 2nd evaluation year 1.
- 12. Executive Session
- 13. Adjourn

June 26
BOE Room
Monday, June 8, 2026 7:00 PM

Board Members Present: Jared Kenney, Casey Mitchell, Les Adelung, Karen Harmony, Justin Taubenheim

Visitors present: Mr. Roger Thomsen, Mr. Carter Blauvelt, Stacy Ringlein, Riley Adelung, Betsey Seger

Motion to excuse absent Board Member, Liz Klingelhofer. This motion, made by Justin Taubenheim and seconded by Jared Kenney, Passed.

Les Adelung: Yea, Karen Harmony: Yea, Jared Kenney: Yea, Casey Mitchell: Yea, Justin Taubenheim: Yea

Motion to approve minutes, claims and financial reports. This motion, made by Casey Mitchell and seconded by Les Adelung, Passed.

Les Adelung: Yea, Karen Harmony: Yea, Jared Kenney: Yea, Casey Mitchell: Yea, Justin Taubenheim: Yea

Motion to increase classified staff pay as presented. This motion, made by Jared Kenney and seconded by Casey Mitchell, Passed.

Les Adelung: Yea, Karen Harmony: Yea, Jared Kenney: Yea, Casey Mitchell: Yea, Justin Taubenheim: Yea

Motion to approve the two year co-op softball contract with Kearney Catholic. This motion, made by Les Adelung and seconded by Justin Taubenheim, Passed.

Les Adelung: Yea, Karen Harmony: Yea, Jared Kenney: Yea, Casey Mitchell: Yea, Justin Taubenheim: Yea

Motion to adjourn at 7:21 pm. This motion, made by Casey Mitchell and seconded by Jared Kenney, Passed.

Les Adelung: Yea, Karen Harmony: Yea, Jared Kenney: Yea, Casey Mitchell: Yea, Justin Taubenheim: Yea

President Adelung began the Regular Board Meeting in the BOE Room at 7:00 PM. President Adelung made known the location of the "Open Meetings Law" poster, which is hanging on the BOE's wall. Mr. Thomsen discussed the need for a daycare person and possibly paras.

FINANCIAL REPORT For June 30, 2026

Fund	Bank	Interest	Co. Treas	NSDLAF	Int.	TOTAL	Mo. Intr.	Balances
	06/30/26		05/31/26	06/30/26		06/30/26		06/30/25
General	1,028,881.71	2,473.48	131,856.61	4,368.89	12.09	3,065,409.15	8,525.07	2,590,781.82
General FiveP	2,032,158.55	6039.50						
Lunch	12,790.49	44.72				12,790.49	44.72	15,885.77
Petty Cash	4,911.51					4,911.51		4,613.08
Activity	255,029.64	681.57				255,029.64	681.57	237,275.20
Retirement	139.71					139.71		46,612.96
Spe. Bld.	86,795.13	165.70	1,440.69	277.35	0.77	87,072.48	166.47	43,002.39
Handicp/QCP	1,163.69	3.05		593.65	1.64	1,757.34	4.69	1,712.66
Deprec.	29,528.07	50.39		517.63	1.43	215,550.47	603.13	333,504.01
Deprec. FiveP	185,504.77	551.31						
Unemployment	5,962.56	9.66		2,622.50	7.26	8,585.06	16.92	11,578.44
Caf. Plan	2,909.31	8.56				2,909.31		9,157.24
Bond	266,444.04	466.38	25,936.23			486,378.90	1,229.07	382,490.61
Bond FiveP	219,934.86	762.69						
Construction	-	-		20.79	0.06	20.79	0.06	20.04
TOTAL	\$ 4,132,154.04	\$ 11,257.01	\$ 159,233.53	\$ 8,400.81	\$ 23.25	\$ 4,140,554.85	\$ 11,271.70	\$3,676,634.22

Interest rate = (3.00% = Activity) (3.00% = General) (2.15% = Bond) (2.20% = Special Building) (1.95% = Depreciation) (1.85% = Lunch)
 (3.4% = FNB Account) (3.32% NLAF)

	Budgeted	Spent to Date	Budget percentage
General Fund	\$ 6,100,000.00	\$ 4,743,132	5.58%
Lunch Fund	\$ 300,000.00	\$ 251,856	-0.62%

negative = over budget

Consolidated Check Listing

Direct Dep.	Check	Check Date	Payable To	Amount
01 - GENERAL FUND				
	00037394	07/10/2026	Am. Family Life Assurance Co	1,433.09
	00037395	07/10/2026	Country Partners Cooperative	575.10
	00037396	07/10/2026	Studies Weekly	1,682.69
	00037397	07/10/2026	Apptegy	10,830.50
	00037398	07/10/2026	DAS State Accounting - Central Finance	317.87
	00037399	07/10/2026	Axmann Heating & Air Conditioning	405.10
	00037400	07/10/2026	Heartland Bank	15.00
	00037401	07/10/2026	Blue Cross-Blue Shield	72,427.92
	00037402	07/10/2026	Buffalo County Election Commissioner	100.00
	00037403	07/10/2026	Cengage Learning	1,870.00
	00037404	07/10/2026	Coachmaster's Inc	2,182.38
	00037405	07/10/2026	Column Software PBC	122.20
	00037406	07/10/2026	Culligan of Kearney	292.00
	00037407	07/10/2026	Cummins Sales and Service	558.12
	00037408	07/10/2026	Dawson Co Pub Power	5,834.36
	00037409	07/10/2026	Eakes Office Plus	1,357.35
	00037410	07/10/2026	Ecolab Pest Elimination	174.69
	00037411	07/10/2026	Typing.com LLC	274.75
	00037412	07/10/2026	Engineered Controls	323.31
	00037413	07/10/2026	Equitable Financial Life Ins Co of America	220.67
	00037414	07/10/2026	ESU 10	23,677.68
	00037415	07/10/2026	Ewell Educational Services	390.00
	00037416	07/10/2026	FNBO	3,441.99
	00037417	07/10/2026	Frontier	114.23
	00037418	07/10/2026	Heartland Bank	46,887.55
	00037419	07/10/2026	Hometown Leasing	802.85
	00037420	07/10/2026	Horace Mann	24.66
	00037421	07/10/2026	Innovative Office Solutions	402.24
	00037422	07/10/2026	Island Supply Welding Co	30.94
	00037423	07/10/2026	Kearney Towing & Repair Center Inc.	2,117.00
	00037424	07/10/2026	KSB School Law	967.50
	00037425	07/10/2026	Lakeshore Learning	258.67
	00037426	07/10/2026	LIPS Printing Service	6.24
	00037427	07/10/2026	Matheson-Linweld Tri-Gas Inc	144.20
	00037428	07/10/2026	Mcgraw-hill School Education Holdings, LLC	1,265.46
	00037429	07/10/2026	Menards - Kearney	955.71
	00037430	07/10/2026	Mid-Nebraska Aggregate - Mindden Pit	1,345.14
	00037431	07/10/2026	Midwest Floor Specialists	25.78
	00037432	07/10/2026	Miscellaneous Cash Account	766.99
	00037433	07/10/2026	Mosyle Corporation	3,261.50
	00037434	07/10/2026	Ne Assoc Of School Boards	435.00

Consolidated Check Listing

Arranged by:
Check Number

Direct Dep.	Check	Check Date	Payable To	Amount
	00037435	07/10/2026	NCS Pearson, Inc	2.94
	00037436	07/10/2026	NE Rural Community Schools Assoc.	850.00
	00037437	07/10/2026	NWEA	887.50
	00037438	07/10/2026	Paper 101	4,910.76
	00037439	07/10/2026	Parco Scientific Company	158.60
	00037440	07/10/2026	Principal Life	1,106.99
	00037441	07/10/2026	Pyramid School Products	1,356.43
	00037442	07/10/2026	Ravenna Sanitation	452.00
	00037443	07/10/2026	Realityworks	2,070.47
	00037444	07/10/2026	Renaissance Learning, Inc	3,492.65
	00037445	07/10/2026	Retirement	31,062.90
	00037446	07/10/2026	Heartland Bank	6,124.71
	00037447	07/10/2026	School Health Corporation	90.77
	00037448	07/10/2026	School Specialty, LLC	721.43
	00037449	07/10/2026	Black Hills Energy	691.69
	00037450	07/10/2026	Spracklin Chiropractic	100.00
	00037451	07/10/2026	Staples Advantage	69.16
	00037452	07/10/2026	Heartland Bank	4,229.97
	00037453	07/10/2026	Sunbelt Rentals	99.40
	00037454	07/10/2026	Teaching Strategies LLC	495.25
	00037455	07/10/2026	The Tire Guys	959.00
	00037456	07/10/2026	Todd's Auto Repair	456.20
	00037457	07/10/2026	Village Of Amherst Water Dept	1,156.15
01 - GENERAL FUND Totals:				249,863.40
06 - LUNCH FUND				
	00004986	07/10/2026	Heartland Bank	756.75
	00004987	07/10/2026	Miscellaneous Cash Account	43.82
	00004988	07/10/2026	Retirement	622.37
	00004989	07/10/2026	Heartland Bank	79.96
06 - LUNCH FUND Totals:				1,502.90
Report Total:				251,366.30

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO
INCREASE BASE GROWTH PERCENTAGE TO
DETERMINE ITS PROPERTY TAX REQUEST AUTHORITY**

WHEREAS, the Board of Education ("Board") for **Buffalo County School District 10-0119**, commonly known as **Amherst Public School** (the "School District"), is planning the School District's annual budget for the 2026–2027 school year; and

WHEREAS, the funding needed for the School District to meet its obligations to its students will require an increase in the base growth percentage used to determine the School District's property tax request authority under NEB. REV. STAT. § 79-3403; and

WHEREAS, Nebraska law authorizes the Board, upon an affirmative vote of at least seventy percent (70%) of the Board, to increase such base growth percentage by up to seven percent (7%).

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that, pursuant to NEB. REV. STAT. § 79-3405(2), the Board hereby increases the base growth percentage used to determine its property tax request authority for the 2026–2027 budget in an amount of 7%.

Said Resolution was adopted by the Board of Education by a vote of ____ to ____ on the 13th day of July 2026.

President of the Board of Education

ATTEST:

Secretary of the Board of Education

2024-2025 prices - updated 6-20-25							
	Breakfast			Lunch			F&R 23-24
	Elem	MS/H	Adult	Elem	MS/H	Adult	IN %
Amherst	\$2.40	\$2.40	\$2.85	\$3.35	\$3.50	\$4.75	21
Ansley	\$1.65	\$1.65	\$2.05	\$2.55	\$2.65	\$3.80	74
Axtell	\$1.90	\$1.90	\$2.60	\$3.25	\$3.55	\$4.80	33
Elm Creek	\$2.00	\$2.00	\$2.50	\$3.30	\$3.45	\$4.00	31
Litchfield	\$1.70	\$1.85	\$2.75	\$2.70	\$2.95	\$4.60	52
Loomis	\$1.45	\$1.45	\$2.70	\$2.45	\$2.45	\$4.80	39
Overton	\$2.70	\$2.70	\$3.00	\$3.70	\$4.20	\$4.50	50
Pleasanton	\$2.10	\$2.10	\$2.85	\$3.35	\$3.60	\$4.70	26
S-E-M	\$1.50	\$1.75	\$2.70	\$2.45	\$2.75	\$4.35	58
Wilcox-Hil	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2.80	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$4.95	41
SUGGEST 25-26	\$2.75	\$2.75	\$3.00	\$3.70	\$3.85	\$5.00	TBD
"JUST A GUESS"	UP 35	UP 35	UP 15	UP 35	UP 35	UP 25	
Daycare days - Lunch is Not charges - Needs to be							
After school Snack - who pays or how is it billed out							
Others????							

Others???