

Board of Education Regular Meeting
Monday, December 15, 2025 6:00 PM
Elementary School , 1003 Lilly Street, Wood
River, NE 68883

The regular monthly meeting of the Wood River Rural Schools Board of Education will be held on Monday, December 15, 2025 6:00 PM in the Elementary School , 1003 Lilly Street, Wood River, NE 68883. The Board of Education will attempt to adhere to the sequence of the published agenda, but reserves the right to adjust the order of items if necessary and may elect to take action on any of the items listed. The following items will be put before the Board of Education for consideration.

1. Routine Business
 - 1.1. Recognize the Nebraska Open Meetings Act
 - 1.2. Pledge of Allegiance
 - 1.3. Recognize Visitors
 - 1.4. Approval of Agenda
2. Presentations
 - 2.1. Activity Director Report
 - 2.2. Elementary Principal Report
 - 2.3. MS/HS Principal Report
 - 2.4. Superintendent Report
3. Consent Agenda
 - 3.1. Approval of Prior Minutes
 - 3.2. Approval of the Monthly Claims
 - 3.3. Approval of the Monthly Financial Reports
4. Discussions
 - 4.1. Career and Technical Education
 - 4.2. Profile of a Graduate

5. Regular Agenda - Business

- 5.1. Discuss, consider, and take all necessary action to set a date for the annual school board retreat.
- 5.2. Authorize district administration to take all necessary actions to declare the identified items as surplus and to sell and/or dispose of them immediately in accordance with board policy and applicable regulations.
- 5.3. Discuss, consider, and take all necessary action on accepting the resignation of Darin Waddington.
- 5.4. Discuss, consider, and take all necessary action concerning the 2026-2027 certified staff negotiations. (possible executive session)
- 5.5. Conduct the Evaluation of the Superintendent of Schools. (possible executive session)

6. Adjournment

7. Thank You Notes

The Board of Education reserves the right to enter into Executive Session.

An agenda reflecting any changes will be available for public inspection during normal business hours in the office of the Superintendent of Schools. Except for items of an emergency nature, the agenda will not be enlarged later than 24 hours before the scheduled beginning of the meeting. Individuals attending the meeting are invited to make comments during the "Recognition of Visitors" time allowed under agenda item B.

Board of Education Regular Meeting

Superintendent's Office
13800 W. Wood River Rd
Wood River, NE 68883

Monday, November 10, 2025 7:00 PM

The meeting was opened at 7:00 PM recognizing the Open Meetings Act. **Present:** Tyler Doane, Dylan Gill, Craig Huxtable, Jodi Rauert, Nick Rennau, Crystal Stutzman.

1. Routine Business

1.1. Recognize the Nebraska Open Meetings Act

1.2. Pledge of Allegiance

1.3. Recognize Visitors

Marcy Luth with AMGL presented their findings on the school district's annual audit. Mrs. Ludwig presented some statistics on special education numbers in the district and explained how we serve these students.

1.4. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda passed with a motion by Dylan Gill and a second by Jodi Rauert.

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

2. Presentations

2.1. Activity Director Report

Mr. Hirschert shared an update on the conclusion of fall sports. The LouPlatte choral clinic is coming up on Nov. 15. There are 4 girls and 2 boys out for for bowling. We have seen a steady increase in all activities participation over the last 3 years.

2.2. Elementary Principal Report

Mrs. Klanecky shared the data behind the recent school accreditation visit. We have seen steady progress in Math and Reading scores.

2.3. MS/HS Principal Report

Mr. Pietrzak presented on the results of the lighthouse review. Students did a phenomenal job leading the review, the reviewers from Franklin-Covey were impressed with many aspects of how the school is being ran. We have seen good growth in MAP scores year over year of almost 19%.

2.4. Superintendent Report

Mr. Zessin gave a building and grounds update. We will look into transferring QCPUF funds into the Nebraska Liquid Asset fund. There will be lunch meetings from 12:00-1:00 on November 11, 12, 14 which parents, community, and staff are invited to attend to discuss their thoughts on what our "Portrait of a Graduate" should look like.

3. Consent Agenda

Motion to approve consent agenda as presented passed with a motion by Nick Rennau and a second by Jodi Rauert.

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

3.1. Approval of Prior Minutes

- 3.2. Approval of the Monthly Claims
- 3.3. Approval of the Monthly Financial Reports
4. Discussions
 - 4.1. Superintendent Evaluation
5. Regular Agenda - Business
 - 5.1. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve the 2024-2025 audit.
Motion to approve the 2024-2025 audit. passed with a motion by Nick Rennau and a second by Dylan Gill.
Yea: 6, Nay: 0
 - 5.2. Discuss, consider, and take all necessary action to approve a bid for the replacement of the chiller at the elementary school.
Motion to approve Rutt's Heating and Air for the replacement of the chiller at the elementary school passed with a motion by Jodi Rauert and a second by Crystal Stutzman.
Yea: 6, Nay: 0
 - 5.3. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action concerning the 2026-2027 certified staff negotiations. (possible executive session)
6. Adjournment
Motion to adjourn passed with a motion by Dylan Gill and a second by Nick Rennau.
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

The meeting was duly adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

Dated the 10th day of November, 2025.

Attest:



Dylan Gill
Secretary

7. Thank You Notes

Wood River Rural Schools		
12/15/2025		
Vendor Name		Amount
ALMQUIST, MALTZAHN, GALLOWAY & LUTH, P.C		\$115.00
Amplify Education		\$60.48
Benjamin's Landscaping Co		\$1,609.25
Black Hills Energy E		\$875.18
Black Hills Energy H		\$1,514.30
Blacktop Chiropractic PC		\$70.00
BOOK SYSTEMS INC		\$390.00
BUSINESS TELECOMMUNICATION SYSTEMS INC		\$7,551.16
Capital Business Systems, Inc		\$750.69
Casey's Business Master Card		\$1,508.80
CENTRAL STATES LAB		\$2,609.66
City of Wood River		\$9,619.24
CLIPPER PUBLISHING		\$258.07
Cognia Inc		\$2,000.00
COOPERATIVE PRODUCERS, Inc.		\$2,286.41
DAS State Acctg-Central Finance OCIO		\$317.87
EAI Education		\$167.65
EDUCATIONAL SERVICE UNIT #10		\$61,022.19
Elan Financial Services		\$8,840.46
Flatwater Sales, Inc		\$148.68
Franklin Covey Client Sales Inc		\$12,943.75
GRONE'S OUTDOOR POWER		\$164.26
HD Supply, Inc		\$782.64
HEARTLAND DISPOSAL INC		\$905.03
Herman Plumbing Co., Inc.		\$557.47
HONEYWELL		\$5,330.61
JOSTENS INC		\$128.30
LINCOLN JOURNAL STAR		\$48.40
MENARD'S		\$104.86
MIDWEST DOOR AND HARDWARE		\$1,341.28
Moonlight Embroidery and Screen Print		\$48.00
MTM Recognition online store		\$128.30
NE ASS'N OF SCHOOL BOARDS		\$2,586.00
NEBRASKA SAFETY CENTER		\$395.00
Nebraska State Fire Marshall Agency		\$288.00

Omaha Marriott DTN Capital DIS	\$380.00	
PRESTO-X-COMPANY	\$475.48	
Pro-Vision	\$1,018.70	
QUILL CORPORATION	\$873.75	
Ron's Music	\$48.00	
Safety-Kleen Systems, Inc.	\$270.82	
Smith, Madeline	\$74.81	
Sport Safe Testing Service, Inc	\$575.00	
STUHR MUSEUM	\$1,304.00	
Surnali LLC dba Diversified Drug Testing, LLC	\$129.00	
US Bank	\$9,398.52	
Wood River Activity	\$2,261.18	
Wood River Board of Education	\$401.22	
Yanda's Music	\$173.32	
	TOTAL	\$144,850.79

WOOD RIVER RURAL SCHOOLS November, 2025

General Fund-Interest Rate: 3.56%		
Beginning Balance		\$4,747,039.44
Less Payroll	November, 2025	(\$312,150.82)
Less Payroll Bills	November, 2025	(\$378,264.04)
Less Monthly Bills	November, 2025	(\$332,150.00)
Heritage Bank	November, 2025	(\$30.00)
Hall County Treasurer	Taxes	\$89,189.73
\$118,903.40	Motor Vehicle Tax	\$24,689.92
	Fines & Licenses	\$5,023.75
State of Nebraska	MIPS Oct 2025	\$2,161.41
Nebraska Children & Families Foundation	Beyond School Bells	\$5.46
NCSA	refund fall ed tech conf	\$149.00
State of Nebraska	DS Sept 2025	\$2,161.41
State of Nebraska	Title IVB	\$12,531.00
State of Nebraska	IDEA	\$1,777.00
State of Nebraska	IDEA	\$1,891.00
State of Nebraska	Title I	\$38,261.00
Heritage Bank	Interest	\$10,764.47
Heritage Bank	Interest	\$0.04
Total Deposits		\$188,605.19
Ending Balance		
		\$3,913,049.77
GENERAL MMK- Interest Rate: 3.49%		
Beginning Balance		\$1,216,385.12
Cornerstone	Interest	\$3,256.58
Ending Balance		\$1,219,641.70
Ending Balance for General Fund & MMK		\$5,132,691.47
Less Payroll	December, 2025	(\$297,596.84)
Less Payroll Bills	December, 2025	(\$328,402.69)
Less Monthly Bills	December, 2025	(\$144,850.79)
Balance to date		\$4,361,841.15
DEPRECIATION MMK-CORNERSTONE Interest Rate: 3.49%		
Beginning Balance		\$726,238.96
Cornerstone	Interest	\$1,922.58
Ford Motor. Credit Company LLC Ck#1071	2-2026 Ford Transit Vans	(\$45,489.32)
	Sub-Total	\$682,672.22
Herman Plumbing Co., Inc Ck#1072	Hot water Heater Basement High School	(\$12,899.00)
Ending Balance		\$669,773.22
SPECIAL BUILDING-MMK-Interest Rate: 1.45%		
Beginning Balance		\$407,736.97
Hall Co Treasurer	Taxes	\$2,929.02
Engineering Technologies, Inc Ck#227	Chiller Construction Documents & Administration	(\$16,749.45)
Heritage Bank	Interest	\$475.96
	Sub-Total	\$394,392.50
Amax Contracting, Inc ck#226	Ceiling at Elementary	(\$49,185.00)
Engineering Technologies Inc Ck#228	Chiller Construction Documents & Administration	(\$5,695.85)
Ending Balance		\$339,511.65
EMPLOYEE BENEFIT FUND-MMK-Interest Rate: 0.20%		
Beginning Balance		\$3,673.14
Heritage Bank	Interest	\$0.61
Ending Balance		\$3,673.75
CAFETERIA FLEX PLAN-125		
Beginning Balance		\$10,131.53
Employee Contributions		(\$2,652.59)
Employee Distributions		\$6,671.95
Ending Balance		\$14,150.89
BOND ACCOUNT-Interest Rate: 0.60%		
Beginning Balance		\$43,395.89
Hall Co Treasurer	Interest	\$22.11
Ending Balance		\$43,418.00
OCPUF FUND		
Beginning Balance		\$393,607.71
Hall Co Treasurer	Taxes	\$3,101.81
BOK Financial ck# 1045	Interest	(\$12,917.50)
BOK Financial ck# 1045	Principal	(\$205,000.00)
BOK Financial ck# 1045	Agent Fee	(\$200.00)
Ending Balance		\$178,592.02

OCPUF MMK #2 Interest Rate: 3.49%		
Beginning Balance		\$29,580.10
Cornerstone	Interest	\$78.61
Herman Plumbingck#1017	Secure entrance HVAC drain	(\$557.47)
Ending Balance		\$29,101.24
Island Glass Ck#1018	Front Office Transaction Window	(\$2,720.00)
Ending Balance		\$26,381.24
OCPUF Pmnt Schedule/Limited Tax & Refundina Bond \$2,100,000 Last Pmnt 12/15/2031		
		Total
12/15/2025	Principal: \$205,000.00 Interest: \$12,917.50	\$217,917.50
6/15/2026	Principal: \$0 Interest: \$11,482.50	\$11,482.50
12/15/2026	Principal: \$210,000.00 Interest: \$11,482.50	\$221,482.50
6/15/2027	Principal: \$0 Interest: \$9,907.50	\$9,907.50
12/15/2027	Principal: \$215,000.00 Interest: \$9,907.50	\$224,907.50
LUNCH ACCOUNT-Interest Rate: 0.05%		
Beginning Balance		\$215,857.58
RECEIPTS		
Student Lunch Deposits		\$8,991.85
Adults & a la carte		\$1,338.50
Federal Reimbursement-October 2025		\$26,250.98
Interest		\$8.76
	Total Receipts	\$36,590.09
DISBURSEMENTS		
RevTrak, Inc./Credit Card Fees-Monthly Fee		(\$19.95)
RevTrak, Inc./Credit Card Fees-Usage Fee		(\$172.53)
Shawna Fischer-2 coffee makers, to go containers		(\$36.00)
Midwest Restaurant Supply-repairs to steamer & coolers		(\$447.45)
OPAA! September 2025 Contract Service		(\$41,286.37)
OPAA! June SS 2025 Contract Service		(\$11,884.97)
US Bank-Kitchen Supplies		(\$1,693.56)
	Total Disbursements	(\$55,540.83)
	Sub-Total	\$196,906.84
Outstanding Bills		
Caryn Green-Lunch Reimb		(\$1.70)
December 2025 Deposits		
Federal Reimbursement-November 2025		\$20,156.49
December 2025 Bills		
OPAA! November 2025 Contract Service		(\$37,734.48)
OPAA! October 2025 Contract Service		(\$46,569.24)
Midwest Restaurant Supply-HS Kitchen ovens-elements		(\$2,678.37)
Midwest Restaurant Supply-Walk in Freezer HS door issues		(\$491.58)
Midwest Restaurant Supply-Convection Oven		(\$470.09)
Midwest Restaurant Supply-Winholt needs gaskets		(\$193.25)
US Bank-Amazon-Supplies for Kitchen		(\$905.55)
US Bank-HyVee-Supplies for Kitchen		(\$99.00)
	Total Disbursements	(\$68,986.77)
Ending Balance		\$127,920.07
Board of Education		
Beginning Balance		\$5,517.74
WR Board of Education	No Activity	\$0.00
Ending Balance		\$5,517.74
Student Fees		
Beginning Balance		\$839.60
Officials	FB Official	(\$360.00)
Ending Balance		\$479.60

Fund: 05 ACTIVITY FUND

Chart of Account Number	Chart of Account Description	Beginning Balance	Expenses	Revenues	Balance Change	Balance
05 704 0100	Elementary Activity	(10.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	(10.00)
05 704 0105	Wellness Center	10.00	0.00	30.00	0.00	40.00
05 704 0115	Celebrate Wood River	12,615.70	2,064.91	0.00	0.00	10,550.79
05 704 0116	Education Qwest Grant	9,238.19	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,238.19
05 704 0120	Technology	55.23	0.00	0.00	0.00	55.23
05 704 0130	iPads	1,111.58	220.87	283.56	0.00	1,174.27
05 704 0200	Activity Account	115,888.22	26,970.90	937.14	0.00	89,854.46
05 704 0210	Activity - Student Activity Fee	496.33	0.00	50.00	0.00	546.33
05 704 0215	Activity Account- WRES Student Lighthouse	11,187.42	838.87	213.20	0.00	10,561.75
05 704 0220	Volleyball	7,625.16	442.02	0.00	0.00	7,183.14
05 704 0230	Girls Basketball	1,689.63	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,689.63
05 704 0240	Weight Room	1.37	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.37
05 704 0250	Cross Country	631.55	290.16	120.00	0.00	461.39
05 704 0260	Football	3,218.44	30.99	541.26	0.00	3,728.71
05 704 0265	Track	1,377.78	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,377.78
05 704 0266	JH Track	1,611.72	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,611.72
05 704 0280	Wrestling	2,432.89	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,432.89
05 704 0285	Girls Wrestling	1,951.46	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,951.46
05 704 0290	Boys Golf	1,521.23	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,521.23
05 704 0292	Girls Golf	76.13	0.00	0.00	0.00	76.13
05 704 0295	Boys Basketball	473.49	0.00	0.00	0.00	473.49
05 704 0300	Concessions	40,516.36	5,965.01	149.03	0.00	34,700.38
05 704 0302	Middle School Funds	427.43	0.00	0.00	0.00	427.43
05 704 0303	6th Grade Funds	316.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	316.75
05 704 0310	Student Council	1,272.94	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,272.94
05 704 0320	Yearbook	4,134.58	0.00	155.00	0.00	4,289.58
05 704 0330	FFA	21,990.29	10,099.49	9,660.88	0.00	21,551.68
05 704 0340	FCA	2,593.62	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,593.62
05 704 0350	FBLA	2,489.89	675.17	0.00	0.00	1,814.72
05 704 0355	Teammates	7,191.70	166.61	55.53	0.00	7,080.62
05 704 0360	Spanish Club	2,589.16	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,589.16
05 704 0365	Mult Cultural Club	4,208.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,208.10
05 704 0385	Close-up	9,609.87	0.00	98.60	0.00	9,708.47
05 704 0395	National Honor Society	2,272.27	118.46	0.00	0.00	2,153.81
05 704 0400	Vocal Music	851.78	0.00	0.00	0.00	851.78
05 704 0405	Show Choir	325.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	325.00
05 704 0430	All School Play	1,755.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,755.10
05 704 0440	Music Trip	3,330.59	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,330.59

Fund: 05 ACTIVITY FUND

Chart of Account Number	Chart of Account Description	Beginning Balance	Expenses	Revenues	Balance Change	Balance
05 704 0445	Music Booster	4,967.49	7.95	70.00	0.00	5,029.54
05 704 0450	Cheerleaders	1,722.38	35.04	295.00	0.00	1,982.34
05 704 0455	Dance	2,370.04	858.91	400.00	0.00	1,911.13
05 704 0460	Band	4,790.67	2,769.50	5,757.00	0.00	7,778.17
05 704 0593	Class of 2029	170.00	0.00	10.00	0.00	180.00
05 704 0594	Class of 2028	888.87	0.00	20.00	0.00	908.87
05 704 0595	Class of 2027	3,563.59	0.00	20.00	0.00	3,583.59
05 704 0596	Class of 2026	4,844.42	411.57	0.00	0.00	4,432.85
05 704 0598	Class of 2024	389.11	0.00	0.00	0.00	389.11
05 704 0610	Art	125.32	88.49	0.00	0.00	36.83
05 704 0615	Art Club	349.09	0.00	0.00	0.00	349.09
05 704 0620	Library	1,978.99	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,978.99
05 704 0625	Library Study Hall	22.11	0.00	0.00	0.00	22.11
05 704 0630	Shop	1,629.23	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,629.23
05 704 0650	MS/HS Teachers	2,888.13	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,888.13
05 704 0655	Elem Teachers	145.76	0.00	30.54	0.00	176.30
05 704 0700	Scholarships	33,234.96	0.00	5,000.00	0.00	38,234.96
05 704 0800	Projects	65,484.43	500.00	0.00	0.00	64,984.43
05 704 0801	FUND BALANCE- Youth Sports	26,224.34	2,989.45	0.00	0.00	23,234.89
05 704 0802	English Classes	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,000.00
05 704 0850	Apparel Store	41.78	1,328.00	191.00	0.00	(1,095.22)
05 704 0900	Booster Club	110,947.21	10,461.55	0.00	0.00	100,485.66
05 704 0910	Post Prom	5,427.62	0.00	140.00	0.00	5,567.62
05 704 0915	WRE PTO	10,677.88	1,929.49	25.00	0.00	8,773.39
Fund Total: 05		564,962.37	69,263.41	24,252.74	0.00	519,951.70