

# Board of Education Regular Meeting

**Monday, May 11, 2026 7:00 PM**  
**Public School Library**  
**506 W. 9th Street**  
**Dorchester, NE 68343-0007**

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Matt Bolton: Present

Matthew Hansen: Present

Shelly Lehr: Present

Carol Schnell: Present

Matt Smith: Present

Steve Vyhnalek: Present

## 1. Call to Order and Announce Open Meetings Act Verification

The meeting was called to order by President Steve Vyhnalek. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

## 2. Roll Call

Also present were Superintendent Nick Mumm, Principal JJ Wagner, and Jen Bond.

## 3. Receive Visitors and Announce Open Forum for Public Comment

None of the visitors wanted to speak.

## 4. Request for Change of Agenda

No request for change of agenda.

## 5. Approval of the Minutes of the Last Meeting(s)

Motion to approve the reading of the last meeting minutes Passed with a motion by Matt Bolton and a second by Shelly Lehr.

Matt Bolton: Yea, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Matt Smith: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

## 6. Financial Report

Motion to approve the financial report Passed with a motion by Matthew Hansen and a second by Matt Smith.

Matt Bolton: Yea, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Matt Smith: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

## 7. Reports

### 7.1. Athletic Director's Report

There was no Athletic Director report.

### 7.2. Principal's Report

The school year is nearing completion. Both the elementary and high school had their music programs. Track is nearing the end of its season. State FBLA went well and the students did a great job representing Dorchester. The Threat Assessment Team had their first meeting. Eight students went to Criminal Justice Day at Peru State College. The students competed in a variety of events throughout the day. Dorchester had another successful trip to State Journalism. The students brought home many awards and one state champion.

### 7.3. Superintendent's Report

At the end of the legislative session, there were not many bills that had a major impact on our district. The reading bill did not pass, nor did the proposed two-percent cap on school budgets. Dr. Mumm told the board that a new law has been passed that all schools need to attend the joint public hearing, even if they are not on the "pink postcard" list. The hearing will now probably take place in July instead of September, so the budgeting timeline will move up.

## 8. New Business

### 8.1. Discuss and take all necessary action to approve the adjustment of the 2025-2026 school calendar to change the last student day to Tuesday, May 19th at 12 P.M..

Motion to approve the adjustment of the 2025-2026 school calendar to change the last student day to Tuesday, May 19th at 12:00pm Passed with a motion by Matt Smith and a second by Matt Bolton.  
Matt Bolton: Yea, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Matt Smith: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

### 8.2. Discuss and take all necessary action to approve the transfer of \$110,000.00 from the Bond Fund to the Special Building Fund.

Motion to approve the transfer of \$110,000.00 from the Bond Fund to the Special Building Fund Passed with a motion by Carol Schnell and a second by Matthew Hansen.  
Matt Bolton: Yea, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Matt Smith: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

### 8.3. Discuss and take all necessary action to approve the quote for the installation of the loft above the stage.

Motion to approve the quote for the installation of the loft above the stage Passed with a motion by Shelly Lehr and a second by Carol Schnell.  
Matt Bolton: Yea, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Matt Smith: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

### 8.4. Discuss and take all necessary action to approve the Elementary hallway carpet project.

Motion to approve the elementary hallway carpet Passed with a motion by Matt Smith and a second by Matthew Hansen.

Matt Bolton: Yea, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Matt Smith: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

8.5. Discuss and take all necessary action to approve the High School classroom carpet.

Motion to approve the high school classroom carpet Passed with a motion by Carol Schnell and a second by Matt Bolton.

Matt Bolton: Yea, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Matt Smith: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

8.6. Discuss and take all necessary action to approve the elementary playground and sidewalk project.

Motion to approve the elementary playground and sidewalk projects Passed with a motion by Matthew Hansen and a second by Matt Smith.

Matt Bolton: Yea, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Matt Smith: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

8.7. Discuss and take all necessary action to approve the classified work agreement for Jeremiah Sisteck for the 2026-2027 school year.

Motion to approve the classified work agreement for Jeremiah Sisteck for the 2026-2027 school year Passed with a motion by Shelly Lehr and a second by Matt Bolton.

Matt Bolton: Yea, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Matt Smith: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

9. Board Committee Report(s)

There were no committee reports.

10. Closed Session (as necessary per statute)

Closed Session not needed at this time.

11. Establish Future Board of Education Meeting Date(s) and Time(s)

The next scheduled board meeting date will be determined soon.

12. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 7:51pm Passed with a motion by Matthew Hansen and a second by Shelly Lehr.

Matt Bolton: Yea, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Matt Smith: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

Carol Schnell?(s) Carol Schnell, Secretary of the Board of Education

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## 2. Roll Call

Also present were Superintendent Nick Mumm, Principal JJ Wagner, and Jen Bond.

## 3. Receive Visitors and Announce Open Forum for Public Comment

Visitors present were Jessica Sherwood and Craig Bergmeyer.

## 4. Request for Change of Agenda

No request for change of agenda.

## 5. Approval of the Minutes of the Last Meeting

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## 7. Reports

### 7.1. Athletic Director's Report

Athletic Director, Brent Zoubek, gave the board a list of upcoming activities.

### 7.2. Principal's Report

Mr. Wagner informed the board that he attended IPG (Instructional Practice Guides) training in Beatrice. It is a new thing that will be required. Mr. Bird, Mrs. Ridpath, and Mr. Wagner attended CLSD (Comprehensive Literacy State Development) meeting. It focused on what our Tier I, Tier II, and Tier III should look like moving forward. The track season is off to a great start. The spring play was a success. Many members of the Threat Assessment Team attended a training via Zoom on March

19th. It focused on how to decide if a threat is credible and what steps to take if a threat is made. Mike Donahue came and talked to students, staff, and the public. He had a great message about valuing yourself and others.

### 7.3. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Mumm told the board that the junior class completed the ACT this past week. Students K-8 are currently working through the NSCAS State Assessments or MAP Growth testing. He also told the board that over the past seven months, district spending has increased by an average of 2.9% per month compared to last year.

## 8. New Business

### 8.1. Discussion and presentations by Ella Vyhnaelek and Sierra Sherwood.

- FBLA State Conference
- 2026-2027 proposed study hall schedule

Ella Vyhnaelek talked to the board about FBLA State Leadership Conference and what it is all about. Ella Vyhnaelek and Sierra Sherwood talked to the board about their concerns about possible changes to class schedules.

### 8.2. High Ability Learners Program Presentation from Mrs. Brenda Nerud.

Brenda Nerud talked to board members about the HAL (High Ability Learners) program. She thanked board members for their past support of HAL and giving the kids the opportunity to attend the Bright Lights program each year.

### 8.3. Discuss and take all necessary action to approve 2026–2027 certified teacher contracts.

Motion to approve the 2026-2027 certified teacher contracts passed with a motion by Carol Schnell and a second by Matthew Hansen.

Steve Vyhnaelek: Abstain (With Conflict), Matt Bolton: Yea, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Matt Smith: Yea

### 8.4. Discuss and take all necessary action to approve the update of board policy 6009, Grade Placement of Transfer Students.

Motion to approve the update of board policy 6009, Grade Placement of Transfer Students passed with a motion by Shelly Lehr and a second by Matt Bolton.

Matt Bolton: Yea, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Matt Smith: Yea, Steve Vyhnaelek: Yea

### 8.5. Discuss and take all necessary action to approve the First Student contract for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year.

Motion to approve the First Student contract for the remainder of the 2025-2026 school year passed with a motion by Matthew Hansen and a second by Matt Smith.

Matt Bolton: Yea, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Matt Smith: Yea, Steve Vyhnaelek: Yea

## 9. Board Committee Report

The Maintenance/Transportation Committee has been talking about several facilities projects that they would like to see within the next few years.

## 10. Closed Session (as necessary per statute)

Motion to go into closed session at 7:44pm passed with a motion by Carol Schnell and a second by Matthew Hansen.

Matt Bolton: Yea, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Matt Smith: Yea, Steve Vyhnaelek: Yea

Motion to go back into open session at 9:02pm passed with a motion by Carol Schnell and a second by Matthew Hansen.

Matt Bolton: Yea, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Matt Smith: Yea, Steve Vyhnaelek: Yea

11. Establish Future Board of Education Meeting Date and Time

The next scheduled board meeting is Monday, May 11th at 7:00pm

12. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 9:03pm passed with a motion by Shelly Lehr and a second by Matt Smith.

Matt Bolton: Yea, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Matt Smith: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

Shelly Lehr, Secretary of the Board of Education

**TREASURER'S REPORT  
DORCHESTER SCHOOLS  
Apr-26**

Beginning Funds Available:

Checking Account	\$	1,829,714.49	
Outstanding Checks	\$	(38,277.57)	
Certificates of Deposit	\$	-	
<b>Total beginning funds available</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,791,436.92</b>	<b>\$ 1,791,436.92</b>

Receipts for Month:

Local taxes - Saline County	\$	162,808.72	
Local taxes - Seward County	\$	10,999.38	
ESU			
GMS Grants - Title/IDEA			
GMS Grant - ESSER III			
Grant			
Apportionment 3400			
Medicaid MAPPS			
MIPS	\$	139.96	
Farmers Coop - Annual Refund			
HAL			
REAP			
State Aid	\$	50,832.00	
SPED SA FFR Reimbursement	\$	78,050.00	
SPED SA Transportation			
SECC - Sencap			
Other:	\$	6,167.93	
Interest Earned	\$	5,625.75	
<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>314,623.74</b>	<b>\$ 314,623.74</b>

Beginning balance plus receipts and adjustments: \$ 2,106,060.66

Adjustment: \$ (2,184.68)

Less: Expenditures for the month \$ (410,595.21)

Ending fund balance \$ 1,693,280.77

Represented by:

Checking Account	\$	1,782,321.63	
(Outstanding Checks)	\$	(89,040.86)	
Certificate of Deposit/MM	\$	-	
<b>Total District Funds:</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,693,280.77</b>	<b>\$ 1,693,280.77</b>

Bond Fund	\$	111,939.22	
Depreciation Fund	\$	250,927.02	
Activity Fund	\$	104,304.60	
Lunch Fund	\$	2,248.32	
Building Fund	\$	154,040.08	
<b>Total Other District Funds</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>623,459.24</b>	<b>\$ 623,459.24</b>

DORCHESTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS MONTHLY BOARD REPORT

2025-2026

	2025-2026	2024-2025
Sept. 2025 Expenditures Reported @ Board Mtg	\$ 74,201.96	\$ 125,309.31
Sept. 2025 Gross Payroll	\$ 319,991.59	\$ 334,620.51
Sept. 2025 EOM Expenditures	\$ 39,320.18	\$ 327,456.33
Total Sept. 2025 Expenditures w/adjustments	\$ 433,513.73	\$ 787,386.15
	9.51%	17.95%
Oct. 2025 Expenditures Reported @ Board Mtg	\$ 25,330.48	\$ 26,720.68
Oct. 2025 Gross Payroll	\$ 315,567.46	\$ 286,354.71
Oct. 2025 EOM Expenditures	\$ 11,304.08	\$ 20,803.46
Total Oct. 2025 Expenditures w/adjustments	\$ 352,202.02	\$ 333,878.85
Year to Date Total	\$ 785,715.75	\$ 1,121,265.00
	17.23%	25.56%
Nov. 2025 Expenditures Reported @ Board Mtg	\$ 46,316.16	\$ 12,353.29
Nov. 2025 Gross Payroll	\$ 307,199.92	\$ 294,818.21
Nov. 2025 EOM Expenditures	\$ 19,138.88	\$ 9,831.95
Total Nov. 2025 Expenditures w/adjustments	\$ 372,654.96	\$ 317,003.45
Year to Date Total	\$ 1,158,370.71	\$ 1,438,268.45
	25.40%	32.78%
Dec. 2025 Expenditures Reported @ Board Mtg	\$ 23,837.56	\$ 17,771.45
Dec. 2025 Gross Payroll	\$ 296,669.49	\$ 280,679.87
Dec. 2025 EOM Expenditures	\$ 22,172.89	\$ 12,540.99
Total Dec. 2025 Expenditures w/adjustment	\$ 342,679.94	\$ 310,992.31
Year to Date Total	\$ 1,501,050.65	\$ 1,749,260.76
	32.92%	39.87%
Jan. 2026 Expenditures Reported @ Board Mtg	\$ 78,884.85	\$ 80,769.83
Jan. 2026 Gross Payroll	\$ 291,453.53	\$ 278,966.02
Jan. 2026 EOM Expenditures	\$ 17,319.53	\$ 16,406.48
Total Jan. 2026 Expenditures w/adjustments	\$ 387,657.91	\$ 376,142.33
Year to Date Total	\$ 1,888,708.56	\$ 2,125,403.09
	41.42%	48.44%
Feb. 2026 Expenditures Reported @ Board Mtg	\$ 40,706.63	\$ 11,864.17
Feb. 2026 Gross Payroll	\$ 304,678.21	\$ 290,425.51
Feb. 2026 EOM Expenditures	\$ 24,059.50	\$ 21,454.64
Total Feb. 2026 Expenditures w/adjustments	\$ 369,444.34	\$ 323,744.32
Year to Date Total	\$ 2,258,152.90	\$ 2,449,147.41
	49.52%	55.82%

2024/2025  
\$ 4,387,519

	2025-2026	2024-2025
Mar. 2026 Expenditures Reported @ Board Mtg	\$ 24,058.85	\$ 16,617.01
Mar. 2026 Gross Payroll	\$ 304,483.54	\$ 276,249.65
Mar. 2026 EOM Expenditures	\$ 17,344.43	\$ 21,878.37
Total Mar. 2026 Expenditures w/adjustments	\$ 345,886.82	\$ 314,745.03
Year to Date Total	\$ 2,604,039.72	\$ 2,763,892.44
	57.11%	62.99%
April 2026 Expenditures Reported @ Board Mtg	\$ 91,072.77	\$ 57,997.33
April 2026 Gross Payroll	\$ 304,198.29	\$ 282,667.35
April 2026 EOM Expenditures	\$ 16,332.87	\$ 27,265.09
Total April 2026 Expenditures w/adjustments	\$ 395,271.06	\$ 367,929.77
Year to Date Total	\$ 2,999,310.78	\$ 3,131,822.21
	65.77%	71.38%
May 2026 Expenditures Reported @ Board Mtg	\$ 22,741.58	\$ 55,634.58
May 2026 Gross Payroll	\$ 305,760.11	\$ 281,669.82
May 2026 EOM Expenditures	\$ -	\$ 20,399.78
Total May 2026 Expenditures w/adjustments	\$ 328,501.69	\$ 357,704.18
Year to Date Total	\$ 3,327,812.47	\$ 3,489,526.39
	72.98%	79.53%
June 2026 Expenditures Reported @ Board Mtg	\$ -	\$ 34,044.06
June 2026 Gross Payroll	\$ -	\$ 281,076.63
June 2026 EOM Expenditures	\$ -	\$ 17,612.91
Total June 2026 Expenditures w/adjustments	\$ -	\$ 332,733.60
Year to Date Total	\$ 3,327,812.47	\$ 3,822,259.99
	72.98%	87.12%
July 2026 Expenditures Reported @ Board Mtg	\$ -	\$ 70,065.20
July 2026 Gross Payroll	\$ -	\$ 287,103.01
July 2026 EOM Expenditures	\$ -	\$ 33,106.96
Total July 2026 Expenditures w/adjustments	\$ -	\$ 390,275.17
Year to Date Total	\$ 3,327,812.47	\$ 4,212,535.16
	72.98%	96.01%
August 2026 Expenditures Reported @ Board Mtg	\$ -	\$ 140,837.54
August 2026 Gross Payroll	\$ -	\$ 266,916.57
August 2026 EOM Expenditures	\$ -	\$ 157,617.20
Total August 2026 Expenditures w/adjustments	\$ -	\$ 565,371.31
Year to Date Total	\$ 3,327,812.47	\$ 4,777,906.47
	72.98%	108.90%

2025/2026  
\$ 4,560,000

**Board Report - For Board**

Vendor Name	1	Fund: 01	GENERAL FUND	Amount	Vendor Total:
Checking					
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES INC	20260416		SUPPLIES	120.80	120.80
BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD OF NEBRASKA	20260427		HANSEN/BOLTON INS	4,384.21	4,384.21
EDUCATIONAL SERVICE UNIT #5	20260421		TRAINING	25.00	25.00
GRAINGER	9869837501		MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES	138.51	138.51
HAMPTON INN - KEARNEY	20260428-0001		ROOM-WAGNER	259.90	259.90
INNERSYNC STUDIOS	INV-SN-971		SCHOOLNOW WEBSITE	3,000.00	3,000.00
LAUTZENHISER, LISA	20260427		AR PARTY & MOTHERS DAY SUPPLIES	51.50	51.50
MID-AMERICAN RESEARCH CHEMICAL	0875306-IN		CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES	2,420.71	2,420.71
NE COUNCIL OF SCHOOL ADM.	20260417		MEMBERSHIP-MUMM	435.00	435.00
OMNIFY BENEFITS	1644182		FSA/HSA FEES	54.00	
OMNIFY BENEFITS	20260505		FSA FEES	88.11	142.11
PRESTO X COMPANY	94411572		PEST CONTROL	93.91	93.91
PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	20260417		LTD/STD INSURANCE	1,231.44	1,231.44
RIDPATH, KARMA	20260414		3RD QTR READING CLASSIC SUPPLIES	173.90	
RIDPATH, KARMA	20260414-0001		ELEMENTARY READING CLASSIC	77.06	250.96
RIXSTINE RECOGNITION	72436		SERVICE AWARDS	450.25	450.25
STATE OF NEBRASKA	1520563		DISTANCE LEARNING	317.87	317.87
TELLEZ, MIRIAM	20260420		CHAIR COVERS	100.00	100.00
WIEDEL, KURK	20260430		RULE 10 SAFETY AUDIT	652.00	

**Board Report - For Board**

Posted - All; Batch Description 2026 APR GEN FUND EOM CKS; Fund Number 01; Processing  
Month 04/2026

Vendor Name	Transaction	Description	Amount	Vendor Total:	
					652.00
WINDSTREAM NEBRASKA INC	20260421	TELEPHONE	102.97	Vendor Total:	102.97
WOODRIVER ENERGY LLC	496769	NATURAL GAS	2,155.73	Vendor Total:	2,155.73
				Fund Total:	16,332.87
				Checking Account Total:	16,332.87

<u>Vendor Name</u>		<u>Invoice</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>	
Checking	1				
Checking	1	Fund: 01	GENERAL FUND		
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES INC		20260506	SUPPLIES	741.60	
				<b>Vendor Total:</b>	<b>741.60</b>
BARLEY'S SPECIALTIES		13768	BUS REPAIRS	533.01	
				<b>Vendor Total:</b>	<b>533.01</b>
BLUE RIVER ARTS COUNCIL		1098	AR MOVIE PARTY	518.15	
				<b>Vendor Total:</b>	<b>518.15</b>
CRETE ACE HARDWARE		20260506	SUPPLIES	435.45	
				<b>Vendor Total:</b>	<b>435.45</b>
CRETE NEWS		20260506	NOTICES	260.45	
				<b>Vendor Total:</b>	<b>260.45</b>
CUSTOM COUNTERTOP		167072	LAMINATE	54.71	
				<b>Vendor Total:</b>	<b>54.71</b>
DORCHESTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS LUNCH FUND		20260507	TRANSFER FROM GEN FUND	2,500.00	
				<b>Vendor Total:</b>	<b>2,500.00</b>
DRAGONFLY COFFEE HOUSE		2616	STAFF BREAKFAST	162.50	
				<b>Vendor Total:</b>	<b>162.50</b>
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS		20260506	SUPPLIES	88.91	
				<b>Vendor Total:</b>	<b>88.91</b>
EDUCATIONAL SERVICE UNIT #6		20260506	SERVICES	1,298.13	
				<b>Vendor Total:</b>	<b>1,298.13</b>
EGAN SUPPLY CO.		20260506	MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES	663.40	
				<b>Vendor Total:</b>	<b>663.40</b>
ELAN FINANCIAL SERVICES		20260506	SUPPLIES	2,507.92	
				<b>Vendor Total:</b>	<b>2,507.92</b>
FARMERS COOPERATIVE		20260507	GASOLINE	2,285.85	
				<b>Vendor Total:</b>	<b>2,285.85</b>
FIBER PLATFORM LLC		SI-26-028122	NETWORKING	321.24	
				<b>Vendor Total:</b>	<b>321.24</b>
GRAINGER		20260506	MAINTENANCE SUPPLIES	275.11	
				<b>Vendor Total:</b>	<b>275.11</b>
HOMETOWN LEASING		59	COPIER LEASE	708.53	
				<b>Vendor Total:</b>	<b>708.53</b>
KIDWELL INC		295664	CAMERA ISSUE-REMOTE SUPPORT	230.00	
				<b>Vendor Total:</b>	<b>230.00</b>
KSB SCHOOL LAW		21273	LEGAL SERVICES	832.00	
				<b>Vendor Total:</b>	<b>832.00</b>

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Invoice</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Amount</u>	
MATHESON TRI-GAS, INC.	20260506	SHOP SUPPLIES	542.47	
		<b>Vendor Total:</b>		<b>542.47</b>
SCHOOL SPECIALTY LLC	208136971082	ART SUPPLIES	321.41	
		<b>Vendor Total:</b>		<b>321.41</b>
SWEET TEA PRINTING	241086	LETTERHEAD	95.00	
		<b>Vendor Total:</b>		<b>95.00</b>
TRUCK CENTER COMPANIES	RA 105018436	BUS 17 REPAIRS	1,946.09	
		<b>Vendor Total:</b>		<b>1,946.09</b>
VERIZON WIRELESS	20260506	HOT SPOT	80.02	
		<b>Vendor Total:</b>		<b>80.02</b>
VERTICAL COMMUNICATIONS	2172738	TELEPHONE	86.15	
		<b>Vendor Total:</b>		<b>86.15</b>
VESTIS	20260506	MOP HEADS/RAGS	315.20	
		<b>Vendor Total:</b>		<b>315.20</b>
VILLAGE OF DORCHESTER	20260506	UTILITIES	4,735.23	
		<b>Vendor Total:</b>		<b>4,735.23</b>
WAGNER, JONATHON	20260506	MILEAGE	203.05	
		<b>Vendor Total:</b>		<b>203.05</b>
		<b>Fund Total:</b>		<b>22,741.58</b>
		<b>Checking Account Total:</b>		<b>22,741.58</b>

## **Principal's Report**

May 11th, 2026

### **Music Programs**

Both the Elementary and JH/HS Music Programs were held and all the kids sounded fantastic!

### **Sports**

The JH Track Season has come to an end. They did a great job and had some new school records broken. The HS Track Season comes to an end soon with Districts and the State Meet.

### **State FBLA**

I had the privilege of attending the State FBLA as the male chaperone. Our students did a great job of representing Dorchester. They paid close attention to the keynote speakers and applauded those that won awards.

### **Threat Assessment Team**

We had our first meeting.

### **Criminal Justice Day**

I took 8 students to Peru State for Criminal Justice Day. The students competed in a variety of events throughout the day. They brought home many awards. The students really enjoyed the experience.

### **State Journalism**

Dorchester had another successful trip to the State Journalism competition. The students brought home many awards and one state championship.

### **Athletic Banquet**

The athletic banquet was well attended

### **Honors Night**

Lots of our students received awards.

### **Upcoming Events**

5/13 - District Track @ Pawnee City 10 A.M.

5/15 - Elementary Field Day

5/15 - Family Bingo Night 7 P.M.

5/16 - JH Track @ State Meet @ Gothenburg

5/18 - Last Day of Preschool

5/19 - Last Day of School K-11

5/22 & 5/23 - HS Track @ State Meet in Omaha

5/23 - Alumni Banquet

5/26 - CRC Golf Outing @ Friend

5/29 - CRC All-Star Basketball Game

5/30 - Alumni Golf Tournament

6/1 - 6/5 - Bright Lights

6/1 - CRC All-Star Volleyball Game

6/8 & 6/9 - CLSD Grant Meeting

## Maintenance/Transportation

The maintenance department is preparing for summer cleaning and repairs following the school year. We are also getting ready to begin several projects immediately to ensure they are completed before summer school begins. At this time, there are no major maintenance issues to report.

In transportation, we are currently looking for a bus driver for next school year. We also still have a school van and a bus on order that should arrive soon. There are no other transportation issues to report at this time.

## Finances

The budget is looking good as we enter the latter part of the current budget cycle. Preparation for the new budget cycle will begin in late June. With the new law requiring all schools to attend the joint public hearing, I will need to begin the budgeting process earlier than usual. It sounds like the joint hearing will now take place in July instead of September, so the entire timeline will move up. More information will be shared in the coming months.

One item I would like to implement next year is ensuring that all students can attend field trips at no cost to families. After the PTO contributes to the field trip expenses, the district would cover the remaining balance. As a public school, we want to ensure these educational experiences are accessible to all students.

We will also discuss moving funds from the bond fund to the special building fund, where the interest rate is significantly higher. The bond fund currently earns 0.25% interest, while the special building fund earns 3.75%.

## New Bills/Policies

At the end of the legislative session, there were not many bills that had a major impact on our district. The reading bill did not pass, nor did the proposed two-percent cap on school budgets.

A few bills that did pass will impact school operations. All schools will now be required to attend the joint public hearing, even if they are not on the "pink postcard" list. In addition, some car line taxes will shift from the school budget to the county budget. Another change is that if a district accepts an option-enrolled student, the district must also accept that student's siblings without question.

There were also changes regarding student behavior policies. Schools now have slightly more flexibility when addressing certain behaviors in grades K–2, including the ability to send students home in some situations. More information on all of these legislative changes will be available once KSB updates district policies.

It has been a great school year, and our students have grown tremendously. I appreciate the support from the board, staff, and families throughout the year. We have wonderful people at Dorchester, and I look forward to the start of another great school year.

If you have any questions or feedback, please feel free to stop by or reach out at any time.

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