

MULLEN BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES
April 13, 2026

The regular meeting of the Mullen School Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Liza Simonson She announced that the Open Meetings Act is posted on the west wall. Board members in attendance were **Present:** Mike French, Dane Peterson, Casey Phillips, Liza Simonson, Patrick Wright, **Absent:** Michael Stichka. Also present were 3 administrators, __ staff, __ students, and __ patrons

Motion by Dane Peterson, second by Patrick Wright to approve the March 9,2026 Board Workshop Minutes, the March 9, 2026 Regular Board Meeting minutes and the April 7,2026 Board Workshop Minutes. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Michael Stichka: Absent, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes
yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

Motion by Casey Phillips, second by Dane Peterson to approve payment to JEO Consulting for design documents and construction documents. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Michael Stichka: Absent, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes
yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

Motion by Mike French, second by Casey Phillips to Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve the claim from the Hooker County Tribune for \$157.89. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: Abstain (With Conflict), Liza Simonson: yes, Michael Stichka: Absent, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes
yes: 4, no: 0, Absent: 1, Abstain (With Conflict): 1

Motion by Casey Phillips, second by Patrick Wright to Approval of the following April claims: Payroll \$331,145.08, General Fund \$57,130.10, Lunch Fund \$6,574.35, Special Building Fund \$118,200.00, Employee Benefit Fund \$200.00 and March Activity Fund \$17,911.75. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Michael Stichka: Absent, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes
yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

Motion by Patrick Wright, second by Mike French to approve the revised Policy 5052 School Wellness for 2026 Local Wellness Policy Triennial Assessment. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Michael Stichka: Absent, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes
yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

Motion by Patrick Wright, second by Casey Phillips to approve to accept the bid from Hackel Construction, Ord NE to complete the Mullen Public Schools Locker Room and Infill project and authorize the superintendent to enter into a contract with Hackel Construction for completion of the project. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Michael Stichka: Absent, Mike French: yes,

Patrick Wright: yes
yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

Motion by Casey Phillips, second by Dane Peterson to approve Mullen Public Schools to enter in a lease purchase agreement and other related matters with DA Davidson. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Michael Stichka: Absent, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes
yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

Motion by Mike French, second by Casey Phillips to approve the Summer Vehicle Usage Procedures. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Michael Stichka: Absent, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes
yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

As soon as the next month's meeting notice is posted on the Mullen Public Schools website, an agenda will be available for public inspection on both the school website and on the SPARQ meetings site.

Chris Kuncl, Recording Secretary