

MULLEN BOARD OF EDUCATION
MINUTES
May 11, 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, Michael Stichka, Patrick Wright. Patrick arrived at 7:02 Also present were 3 administrators, __ staff, __ students, and __ patrons

Motion by Casey Phillips, second by Dane Peterson to approve the minutes from the April 13, 2026 Regular Board Meeting. Motion carried.

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

yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

Motion by Casey Phillips, second by Michael Stichka to approve the 2026-2027 PowerSchool Service Agreement through ESUCC. Motion carried.

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

yes: 6, no: 0

Motion by Dane Peterson, second by Casey Phillips to approve the purchase of 45 Chromebooks through ByteSpeed using REAP Grant Funding. Motion carried.

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

yes: 6, no: 0

Motion by Patrick Wright, second by Michael Stichka to approve the claim from the Hooker County Tribune for \$245.67. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: Abstain (With Conflict), Liza Simonson: yes, Michael Stichka: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes

yes: 5, no: 0, Abstain (With Conflict): 1

Motion by Casey Phillips, second by Dane Peterson to Approval of the following May claims: Payroll \$322,663.10, General Fund \$46,313.69, Lunch Fund \$8,940.19, and April Activity Fund \$16,817.57. Motion carried.

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

yes: 6, no: 0

Motion by Dane Peterson, second by Casey Phillips to approve the amended 2026-2027 District Calendar for Mullen Public Schools. Motion carried.

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

yes: 6, no: 0

Motion by Dane Peterson, second by Michael Stichka to approve the coaching agreements for Janie Kuncl and Arla Kvanvig pursuant to Nebraska LB 1241. Motion carried.

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

yes: 6, no: 0

Motion by Mike French, second by Dane Peterson to approve the amended 2026-2027 Principal contract for Mr. Brett Mauler. Motion carried.

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

yes: 6, no: 0

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