

Board of Education Regular Meeting

SPCS Administration Building
765 Main Street
Springfield, NE 68059

Monday, January 12, 2026 7:00 PM

Kyle Fisher: Present
Brenda Guenther: Present
Brett Kreifels: Present
Brian Osborn: Present
Michael Patera: Present
Lee Smith: Present

I. Finance Committee Meeting

The Finance Committee started at 6:32 p.m. Brian Osborn, Lee Smith and Michael Patera were present. Finance reports were reviewed by the committee. Discussion of the bills took place. The committee meeting adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

II. Call to Order and Roll Call

A meeting of the Board of Education of Springfield Platteview Community Schools in the County of Sarpy, in the State of Nebraska, was convened in open and public session at 7:00 p.m., Monday, January 12, 2026, at the SPCS Administration Building. Present: Kyle Fisher, Brenda Guenther, Brett Kreifels, Brian Osborn, Michael Patera, Lee Smith. Absent: none.

III. Notice of Open Meetings Act - Posted

Notice of the meeting and committee meetings were given in advance thereof by posting in at least five public places as shown by the certificate of posting notice attached to these minutes. Notice of this meeting was simultaneously given to all members of the Board of Education, and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda was communicated in the advance notice and in the notice to the Board of Education of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. Statute 84-1407 to 84-1414 require that the Open Meetings Act be posted in the meeting room. President Smith informed the board and the public that the Act is located on the west wall of the board room.

IV. Board Reorganization

Board Reorganization for 2026 was chaired by Superintendent Dr. Saunders.

IV.A. Nomination and Election of Board President for 2026

Nominations for Board President were opened. Osborn nominated Smith. There were no other nominations. Smith was elected Board President by a vote of 6-0.

IV.B. Nomination and Election of Vice President for 2026

Nominations for Vice President were opened. Guenther nominated Fisher. Smith nominated Osborn. Fisher was elected Vice President by a vote of 4-2.

IV.C. Nomination and Election of Secretary for 2026

Nominations for Secretary were opened. Osborn nominated Kreifels. There were no other nominations. Kreifels was elected Secretary by a vote of 6-0.

IV.D. Nomination and Election of Treasurer for 2026

Nominations for Treasurer were opened. Guenther nominated Patera. There were no other nominations. Patera was elected Treasurer by a vote of 6-0.

IV.E. Appoint Standing Committees for 2026

President Smith delegated Vice President Fisher to appoint members to the standing committees for 2026.

IV.F. Appoint SPCS Education Foundation Board Members for 2026

Board members appointed Guenther and Kreifels to serve on the SPCS Education Foundation Board for 2026.

IV.G. Discuss, consider, and take action to identify the Sarpy County Times, the Omaha World Herald, the Daily Record and any other newspaper that has general circulation within the district as the legal publications for Springfield Platteview Community Schools and to amend Policy 2008 - Meetings to reflect the same.

move that the board approve the Sarpy County Times, the Omaha World Herald, and the Daily Record as newspapers of general circulation within the school district for legal publications, amend Policy 2008 to reflect the same, and approve Policy 2008 as amended passed with a motion by Brenda Guenther and a second by Kyle Fisher.

Kyle Fisher: Yea, Brenda Guenther: Yea, Brett Kreifels: Yea, Brian Osborn: Yea, Michael Patera: Yea, Lee Smith: Yea

IV.H. Discuss, consider, and take action to identify Horizon Bank (Formerly known as Springfield State Bank) as the official depository and district financial institution in 2026.

Action to designate Horizon Bank (Formerly known as Springfield State Bank) as the official depository and district financial institution in 2026 passed with a motion by Brian Osborn and a

second by Kyle Fisher.

Kyle Fisher: Yea, Brenda Guenther: Yea, Brett Kreifels: Yea, Brian Osborn: Yea, Michael Patera: Yea, Lee Smith: Yea

IV.I. Appoint M.A.B.E. Representative for 2026

Board members appointed Guenther as the M.A.B.E representative for 2026.

IV.J. Appoint NASB Government Relations Network (GRN) 2026

Board members appointed Fisher as the NASB Government Relations Network (GRN) for 2026.

IV.K. Review Conflict of Interest Policies

Dr. Saunders asked the Board to review the conflict of interest policy as presented.

V. Consent Agenda

Action to approve the Consent Agenda as presented passed with a motion by Kyle Fisher and a second by Brett Kreifels.

Kyle Fisher: Yea, Brenda Guenther: Yea, Brett Kreifels: Yea, Brian Osborn: Abstain (With Conflict), Michael Patera: Yea, Lee Smith: Yea

V.A. Minutes of the Previous Month's Meetings

V.B. Treasurer's Report

V.C. Statement of Activity Fund Accounts

V.D. Recommendation for Bill Payment

VI. Items From Patrons

There were no items from patrons.

VII. Old Business

VII.A. Discuss, consider, and take action to renew the Interlocal Agreement with Papillion- La Vista Community Schools regarding the Adjustment of School District Boundaries

Action to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Papillion-La Vista Community Schools as presented passed with a motion by Brian Osborn and a second by Michael Patera.

Kyle Fisher: Yea, Brenda Guenther: Yea, Brett Kreifels: Yea, Brian Osborn: Yea, Michael Patera: Yea, Lee Smith: Yea

VII.B. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action with regard to approving the architect agreement for the potential Platteview high school additions, renovations and expansions project and a new PK-6 elementary school.

Action that the Board of Education of this School District should and does hereby approve the architect agreement between the School District and Alley Poyner Macchietto Architecture, Incorporated for the proposed Platteview high school additions, renovations and expansions project and a new PK-6 elementary school, such agreement in the form on file with official School District records and as presented at this meeting or with such changes as are deemed necessary and in the best interest of the School District and approved by the Board President or Superintendent of Schools, and further hereby delegates authority to and authorizes and directs the Board President, or designee, to sign, execute and deliver the architect agreement, to sign, execute and deliver any documents called for in the architect agreement, any amendments thereto, to pay the architect fees and expenses, and to take all other action necessary to carry such architect agreement into effect passed with a motion by Kyle Fisher and a second by Brett Kreifels.

Kyle Fisher: Yea, Brenda Guenther: Yea, Brett Kreifels: Yea, Brian Osborn: Abstain (With Conflict), Michael Patera: Yea, Lee Smith: Yea

VIII. New Business

VIII.A. Approval of the contract for Jack Fritch for the 2026-2027 School Year.

Action to approve the contract of Jack Fritch for the 2026-27 School Year passed with a motion by Brett Kreifels and a second by Brenda Guenther.

Kyle Fisher: Yea, Brenda Guenther: Yea, Brett Kreifels: Yea, Brian Osborn: Yea, Michael Patera: Yea, Lee Smith: Yea

VIII.B. Resignation of Jordan Daum

Action to accept the resignation of Jordan Daum at the conclusion of the 2025-26 School Year passed with a motion by Brenda Guenther and a second by Michael Patera.

Kyle Fisher: Yea, Brenda Guenther: Yea, Brett Kreifels: Yea, Brian Osborn: Yea, Michael Patera: Yea, Lee Smith: Yea

VIII.C. Resignation of Kelli Haynes

Action to approve the resignation and cancelation of contract for Kelli Haynes effective January 5th, 2026. passed with a motion by Brett Kreifels and a second by Kyle Fisher.

Kyle Fisher: Yea, Brenda Guenther: Yea, Brett Kreifels: Yea, Brian Osborn: Yea, Michael Patera: Yea, Lee Smith: Yea

IX. Reports

IX.A. 2024-2025 District Annual Report

Dr. Saunders shared the 2024-2025 District Annual Report with the Board.

IX.B. Legislative Calendar and Bills Report

Dr. Saunders updated the Board on the current Legislative session and bills impacting education.

IX.C. Bond Information Report

Dr. Saunders shared updates on the upcoming bond, bond information mailers, and ballot timeline.

IX.D. Attendance Report, Student and Staff Successes

Building Principals gave an update to the Board on student attendance and successes for the first semester.

X. Advance Planning

Board members reviewed their upcoming schedule of meetings, trainings, and conventions. Significant school calendar items were also discussed.

XI. Adjourn

Action to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 p.m. passed with a motion by Brian Osborn and a second by Michael Patera.

Kyle Fisher: Yea, Brenda Guenther: Yea, Brett Kreifels: Yea, Brian Osborn: Yea, Michael Patera: Yea, Lee Smith: Yea