

Auburn Public Schools
School District #29 Board of Education Regular Meeting
Monday, May 12, 2025 at 5:30 PM

Peru City Hall
614 5th Street
Peru , NE 68421

Grant Brueggemann: Present
Janny Crotty: Present
Eli Davidson: Present
Ryan Jones: Present
Beth Kernes Krause: Present
Laura Osborne: Present

1. Call to Order

President Osborn called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. Roll Call

3. Announce Open Meeting Act Posting and Location

4. Consent Agenda

At this time, any Board member may request that any item in the consent agenda be removed from the consent agenda and be considered and voted on separately.

4.1. Minutes of April 14, 2025 Americanism Committee Hearing and the Regular Board of Education Meeting
Section 79-805 of Nebraska Statutes calls for the District to publish in a legal newspaper a "concise summary" of the proceedings of the Board of Education. Section 84-1413 of Nebraska Revised Statutes calls for the District to maintain official minutes that contain "the substance of all matters discussed." Therefore, for each board meeting a concise summary of the minutes is published in the Auburn Newspapers and a detailed set of minutes is maintained in the superintendent's office. A copy of the official minutes is attached to the board agenda for each regular meeting and special meeting.

The official minutes may make references to attachments. These attachments are reproduced with the minutes attached to the board agenda only if such attachments are different from those presented at the meeting. The attachments, however, are in the record of official minutes maintained at the superintendent's office.

4.2. Agenda **

According to the Open Meeting Laws, the Board of Education may add to the agenda only those items of an emergency nature [see, Section 84-1411(1) of Nebraska Revised Statutes].

The order of agenda items may be changed so arrive at the beginning of the meeting.

The Board may enter into closed session at any time to discuss any matter for which a closed session is lawful.

The Board may take action on any item listed on the agenda.

The agenda for the meeting needs to be approved before the board can address the discussion and/or action items.

4.3. Approve Claims for the Month

4.4. Approve Financial Reports for the Month

"I move that the consent agenda be approved as presented," Passed with a motion by Beth Kernes Krause and a second by Ryan Jones.

Grant Brueggemann: Yea, Janny Crotty: Yea, Eli Davidson: Yea, Ryan Jones: Yea, Beth Kernes Krause: Yea, Laura Osborne: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

5. Excuse Absent Board Members (If Necessary)

6. Student Presentation

7. Recognition of Visitors*

The Board President may limit the time allotted to each individual or topic. A five-minute limit will apply for each speaker, unless otherwise specified, and no speaker may transfer their remaining time to any other speaker. According to Nebraska State Statute 84-1412, all speakers must identify himself or herself, including an address and the name of any organization represented by such person, unless the address requirement is waived to protect the security of the individual. Speakers are expected to address the Board when making presentations. If a group of patrons is presenting a single issue, the board requests that a spokesperson be appointed to address the Board, however, anyone may talk within the stated time limit. Speakers who feel a need to give more information than can be presented in that time frame may submit written materials for distribution to the Superintendent; such materials should be provided at least 24 hours before the meeting is to begin.

The Board of Education may make and enforce reasonable rules and regulations regarding the conduct of persons attending its meetings and regarding their privilege to speak.

7.1. General Comments - If a group of patrons is presenting a single issue, the board requests that a spokesperson be appointed to address the Board. However, anyone may talk within the stated time limits.

8. Budget, Finance & Claims Committee (Kernes Krause*, Crotty, Brueggemann)

8.1. Purchase Orders

"I move to approve the purchase orders for 2025-2026 in the amount of \$121,367.74" Passed with a motion by Beth Kernes Krause and a second by Janny Crotty.

Grant Brueggemann: Yea, Janny Crotty: Yea, Eli Davidson: Yea, Ryan Jones: Yea, Beth Kernes Krause: Yea, Laura Osborne: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

8.2. Budget, Finance & Claims Committee Report (Discuss only)

9. Building, Grounds & Transportation Committee (Jones*, Osborne, Davidson)

9.1. Building, Grounds & Transportation Report (Discuss Only)

10. Human Resources & Planning Committee (Jones*, Brueggemann, Davidson)

10.1. Non-Renewal of Personnel

"Discuss, consider, and take all necessary action to approve the non-renewal of Donna Dassel-Stuke's employment contract, effective at the end of the 2024-2025 school year" Passed with a motion by Ryan Jones and a second by Eli

Davidson.

Grant Brueggemann: Yea, Janny Crotty: Yea, Eli Davidson: Yea, Ryan Jones: Yea, Beth Kernes Krause: Yea, Laura Osborne: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

10.2. Speech Language Pathologist Contract

"I move to approve the Speech Language Pathologist contract with Madison Ukele for the 20205-2026 school year," Passed with a motion by Ryan Jones and a second by Grant Brueggemann.

Grant Brueggemann: Yea, Janny Crotty: Yea, Eli Davidson: Yea, Ryan Jones: Yea, Beth Kernes Krause: Yea, Laura Osborne: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

10.3. Human Resources & Planning Committee Report (Discuss only)

11. Policy, Curriculum & Americanism Committee (Kernes Krause*, Osborne, Crotty)

11.1. 2025-2026 Meal Prices

"I move to approve the 2025-2026 as presented," Passed with a motion by Beth Kernes Krause and a second by Grant Brueggemann.

Grant Brueggemann: Yea, Janny Crotty: Yea, Eli Davidson: Yea, Ryan Jones: Yea, Beth Kernes Krause: Yea, Laura Osborne: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

11.2. 2025-2026 Code of Conduct

"I move to approve the 2025-2026 code of conduct as presented," Passed with a motion by Beth Kernes Krause and a second by Grant Brueggemann.

Grant Brueggemann: Yea, Janny Crotty: Yea, Eli Davidson: Yea, Ryan Jones: Yea, Beth Kernes Krause: Yea, Laura Osborne: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

11.3. 2025-2026 Elementary School Student/Parent Handbook

"I move to approve the 2025-2026 Elementary School Student Handbook as presented," Passed with a motion by Beth Kernes Krause and a second by Grant Brueggemann.

Grant Brueggemann: Yea, Janny Crotty: Yea, Eli Davidson: Yea, Ryan Jones: Yea, Beth Kernes Krause: Yea, Laura Osborne: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

11.4. 2025-2026 Secondary School Student/Parent Handbook

"I move to approve the 2025-2026 Secondary School Student/Parent Handbook as presented," Passed with a motion by Beth Kernes Krause and a second by Grant Brueggemann.

Grant Brueggemann: Yea, Janny Crotty: Yea, Eli Davidson: Yea, Ryan Jones: Yea, Beth Kernes Krause: Yea, Laura Osborne: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

11.5. Policy, Curriculum, & Americanism Committee Report (Discuss only)

12. Administration Report

Written and/or discuss only.

12.1. Samantha Wehenkel

May 12th Board Notes:

*All curriculums have been ordered for next school year

*I am working through the CLSD (Nebraska Comprehensive Literacy State Development) grant. This is a grant that will be used to enhance literacy skills

*Our last Continuous Improvement meeting will be this week

*I've set up some days this summer to work with teachers on curriculum

*I continue to work on updating all grants and information for the state

*Testing has completed or is almost complete for the school year. Scores are embargoed until November of next year

*Summer school letters have gone out to all High School families and will be sent to all Calvert families by the end of this week.

*Bristol and I have been working with DOGS to make sure everything is in place for the summer program

12.2. Reva Siegel

- Student Overview
- Performance Data
- Transitioning New Staff
- Summer Focus Areas

12.3. Bristol Wenzl

- Kindergarten sneak peek - May 2nd
- [May Data Document](#)
- Class lists and transition meetings completed
- Teacher summative evaluations completed
- Finishing para evaluations
- Preschool track and field day May 7th
- 4th Grade Social Studies Presentation Night at Calvert gym @ 5:30
- PBiS end of year celebration May 19th
- Preschool graduation May 19th at central office @ 5:00
- Sneak Peek end of day Tuesday, May 20th
 - Changed day and time due to state track

12.4. Scott Siegel

12.5. Jason Palmer

May Board of Education Report (Monday, May 12th, 2025)

Submitted by Jason Palmer Friday, May 9th, 2025

- **The District Music Contest was held on Friday, April 25th.**
 - **Auburn's mixed chorus and concert band both received a 1 for their rating.**
 - **Auburn also received five other 1s in solos / small groups.**

- Thank you to Mr. Hanika, Mr. Davis, and Mrs. Hanika for all they did in the organization and set-up.
- The dates for the musical were April 26th (6:30 PM) and April 27th (2 PM).
 - The kids did an excellent job performing the show. It was fun to see their hard work pay off.
- ECNC Honor Band is on Monday, May 12th at Elmwood-Murdock.
- Speech students are participating in the National Individual Events Tournament of Champions (NIETOC) in Kansas City on May 16th, 17th, and 18th.
 - Cuyler Aue
 - Gatlin Gerking
 - Nora Jacobitz
 - Solomon Jacobitz
- Spring Sports Update:
 - Soccer: Beat Nebraska City in the first round of districts and then lost to Pius on Monday.
 - Baseball districts are scheduled for May 8th - May 9th. The team defeated Holdrege in the first round of districts and will now play Wayne for the opportunity to play in the State Baseball Championships in Omaha.
 - Boys golf district competition will be on May 19th at Pioneers Golf Course in Lincoln, NE. Norris is the host school.
 - Track & Field districts will be at Waverly High School on Tuesday, May 13th.
 - JH Track & Field participated in the ECNC meet on Friday, May 9th. The team finishes up their season with the Auburn relays on Tuesday, May 13th.
- NSAA summer guidelines begin on Tuesday, May 27th, 2025.

Other: The schools within the ECNC conference are considering changing their scheduling platform from rSchoolToday to Bound. rSchoolToday (rST) has been purchased by Arbiter Sports. This is a period of transition for rST and many schools are sensing uncertainty in the future of the platform as Arbiter was not actively communicating with Nebraska schools for a long period of time after they purchased rST. Bound has been emerging as the main scheduling platform in other states such as Iowa. Bound has been presenting their product and what they offer to conferences across Nebraska. There is a growing number of conferences and schools that are moving away from rST / Arbiter to Bound. ECNC administrators will meet again on May 14th and will likely make a decision at this meeting on which platform to utilize moving forward.

12.6. David Patton

- Fuel Tank
- Foundation - Media Lab
- FBLA kids to Anaheim
- Graduation this year
- Water
- Graduation

13. Miscellaneous

The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is at .

A. Thank you notes & correspondence

13.1. Thank You Notes

13.2. Upcoming Meetings

June Board of Education Meeting
June 9, 2025, at 5:30pm
Julian Town Hall
111 West Street
Julian, NE 68379

14. Executive Session (Discuss Legal Matters, Personnel and Negotiations)

The Board may enter into closed session at any time to discuss any matter for which a closed session is lawful and appropriate.

We have legal matters that need to be handled in closed session.

Before the Board can enter closed session, a motion must be made in agreement with Statute 84-1410 by the Board to discuss topics such as personnel, negotiations, and legal matters.

15. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by President Osborne at 6:23 pm.

President

Superintendent