

Auburn Public Schools
School District #29 Board of Education Regular Meeting
Monday, February 9, 2026 at 5:30 PM

Board of Education Meeting Room APS Central Office
1713 J St
Auburn, NE 68305

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

1. Call to Order

President Osborne 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 January 12, 2026 Regular 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 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

5. Excuse Absent Board Members (If Necessary)

6. Student Presentation

Tonia Griener, Afterschool Program Director, presented information about D.O.G.S. afterschool program to the Board.

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.

Seth Hawkin introduced himself to the Board.

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 (Davidson*, Crotty, Kernes-Krause)

8.1. 2026-2027 Driver's Education Rates

"I move to retain the current driver education rates for the 2026-2027 school year," Passed with a motion by Eli Davidson and a second by Beth Kernes Krause.

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. Auburn State Bank Authorization Resolution

"I move to approve the updated Authorization Resolution with Auburn State Bank," Passed with a motion by Eli Davidson and a second by Beth Kernes Krause.

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

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

8.3. 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 (Crotty*, Brueggemann, Jones)

10.1. 2026-2027 Negotiated Agreement

"I move to approve the 2026-2027 Negotiated Agreement as presented," Passed with a motion by Janny Crotty 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

10.2. 2026-2027 School Calendar

"I move to approve the 2026-2027 school calendar as presented," Passed with a motion by Janny Crotty 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

10.3. David Sharp Early Graduation Request

"I move to approve the early graduation request for David Sharp as presented," Passed with a motion by Janny Crotty 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

10.4. Abygail Boyer Early Graduation Request

"I move to approve the early graduation request for Abygail Boyer as presented," Passed with a motion by Janny Crotty 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

10.5. Aleigha Handley Early Graduation Request

"I move to approve the early graduation request for Aleigha Handley as presented," Passed with a motion by Janny Crotty 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

10.6. Ashlynn Johnson Early Graduation Request

"I move to approve the early graduation request for Ashlynn Johnson as presented," Passed with a motion by Janny Crotty and a second by Beth Kernes Krause.

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

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

10.7. Gretchen Paschal Early Graduation Request

"I move to approve the early graduation request for Gretchen Paschal as presented," Passed with a motion by Janny Crotty 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

10.8. Beau Thomas Early Graduation Request

"I move to approve the early graduation request for Beau Thomas as presented," Passed with a motion by Janny Crotty 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

10.9. Addition of 1 FTE Computer/Technology Education Teacher

"I move to approve the addition of one full-time Computer/Technology Education Teacher at secondary school beginning the 26/27 school year," Passed with a motion by Janny Crotty 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

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

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

11.1. Policy No. 5205 Graduation

"I move to approve policy number 5205 Graduation as presented," Passed with a motion by Grant Brueggemann and a second by Beth Kernes Krause.

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. Policy No. 5205-29 Graduation Requirement Regulation

"I move to approve policy number 5205-29 Graduation Requirement Regulation as presented," Passed with a motion by Grant Brueggemann and a second by Beth Kernes Krause.

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

12. Administration Report

Written and/or discuss only.

12.1. Samantha Wehenkel

12.2. Reva Siegel

12.3. Bristol Wenzl

12.4. Scott Siegel

12.5. Jason Palmer

12.6. David Patton

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

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 6:19 pm.

President

Superintendent