

## Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Education of Elwood Public School

A meeting of the Board of Education of Elwood Public School was convened in open and public session on Monday, April 13, 2026 in the school library at the Elwood Public School, 502 First Avenue, Elwood, Nebraska. The roll was called and the following members were present or absent:

**Present:** Kristy Diefenbaugh, Daron Huyser, Bryant Knoerzer, Jeff Moore, Mark Weissert,  
**Absent:** Ryan Shutts.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication in accordance with the Board approved method for printing notice of meetings in the Cambridge Clarion (Valley Voice). Notice of this meeting was given in advance to all members of the Board of Education. The Secretary of the Board maintains a list of the news media requesting notification of meetings and advance notification to the listed media of the time and place of the meeting and the subjects to be discussed at this meeting was provided. Availability of agenda was communicated in the publicized notice and a copy of the Agenda was maintained as stated in the publicized notice. All proceedings of the Board of Education, except as may be hereinafter noted, were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

### A. Call to order

Motion was made by Jeff Moore seconded by Mark Weissert excuse Shutts. After discussion and on roll call, The Board voted as follows:

The motion: Carried

Kristy Diefenbaugh: Yea, Daron Huyser: Yea, Bryant Knoerzer: Yea, Jeff Moore: Yea, Ryan Shutts: Absent, Mark Weissert: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

### B. Public Comment

### C. Consent agenda

#### C.1. Minutes of Last regular meeting

#### C.2. General Financial Report

Motion was made by Jeff Moore seconded by Mark Weissert consent agenda. After discussion and on roll call, The Board voted as follows:

The motion: Carried

Kristy Diefenbaugh: Yea, Daron Huyser: Yea, Bryant Knoerzer: Yea, Jeff Moore: Yea, Ryan Shutts: Absent, Mark Weissert: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

#### C.3. Activity Financial Report

### D. Monthly bills submitted- General Fund, Activity Fund, Nutrition Fund, Special Building Fund, Depreciation Fund

Motion was made by Mark Weissert seconded by Kristy Diefenbaugh to approve the monthly bills submitted: General Fund \$355,033.94, Nutrition Fund \$8,026.67, Activity Fund \$12,195.69, Special Building Fund \$32,047.26, Depreciation \$1,041.00. After discussion and on roll call, The Board voted as follows:

The motion: Carried

Kristy Diefenbaugh: Yea, Daron Huyser: Yea, Bryant Knoerzer: Yea, Jeff Moore: Yea, Ryan Shutts: Absent, Mark Weissert: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

### E. Presentation to the Board--Beth Fisher (FCS--FCCLA).

### F. Reports

#### F.1. Administrator Reports

#### F.2. Board Committee Reports

### F.3. Other Reports

#### G. Items

- G.1. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve purchase of LED fixtures to replace Kindergarten and PreK room. (Depreciation)

Motion was made by Mark Weissert seconded by Jeff Moore Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve purchase of LED fixtures to replace Kindergarten and PreK room - Frey Electric. After discussion and on roll call, The Board voted as follows:

The motion: Carried

Kristy Diefenbaugh: Yea, Daron Huyser: Yea, Bryant Knoerzer: Yea, Jeff Moore: Yea, Ryan Shutts: Absent, Mark Weissert: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

- G.2. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to delete Policy #5029 Crisis Response Policy. Now Intentionally Left Blank. Moved to #3040 School Safety and Security. (Cleanup from previous KSB Update).

Motion was made by Kristy Diefenbaugh seconded by Daron Huyser to approved deleting Policy #5029 Crisis Response Policy now Intentionally Left Blank. Policy to be referenced is #3040 School Safety and Security. After discussion and on roll call, The Board voted as follows:

The motion: Carried

Kristy Diefenbaugh: Yea, Daron Huyser: Yea, Bryant Knoerzer: Yea, Jeff Moore: Yea, Ryan Shutts: Absent, Mark Weissert: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

- G.3. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve **RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO INCREASE BASE GROWTH PERCENTAGE TO DETERMINE ITS PROPERTY TAX REQUEST AUTHORITY.**

Motion was made by Jeff Moore seconded by Mark Weissert to approve **RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO INCREASE BASE GROWTH PERCENTAGE TO DETERMINE ITS PROPERTY TAX REQUEST AUTHORITY** by 7%. After discussion and on roll call, The Board voted as follows:

The motion: Carried

Kristy Diefenbaugh: Yea, Daron Huyser: Yea, Bryant Knoerzer: Yea, Jeff Moore: Yea, Ryan Shutts: Absent, Mark Weissert: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

- G.4. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to transfer \$10,000 to the activity fund for the purpose sending it to the Hi-Line Coop account. (Eustis-Farnam).

Motion was made by Kristy Diefenbaugh seconded by Jeff Moore approve transfer of \$10,000 from General Fund to Activity Fund for the purpose of sending to the Hi-Line Coop account. (Eustis-Farnam). After discussion and on roll call, The Board voted as follows:

The motion: Carried

Kristy Diefenbaugh: Yea, Daron Huyser: Yea, Bryant Knoerzer: Yea, Jeff Moore: Yea, Ryan Shutts: Absent, Mark Weissert: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

- G.5. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to review, affirm, amend, or revise Policy #3024 Booster Clubs and Parent-Teacher Organizations.

Motion was made by Daron Huyser seconded by Jeff Moore approve revision, amendment or affirmation\_ of Policy #3024 Booster Clubs and Parent Teacher Organizations. After discussion and on roll call, The Board voted as follows:

The motion: Tabled

Kristy Diefenbaugh: Yea, Daron Huyser: Yea, Bryant Knoerzer: Yea, Jeff Moore: Yea,

Ryan Shutts: Absent, Mark Weissert: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

- G.6. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve Building Contract with Paulsen's Inc.

Motion was made by Jeff Moore seconded by Mark Weissert Approve Building Contract with Paulsen's Inc. for the South Entry project and the playground project. After discussion and on roll call, The Board voted as follows:

The motion: Carried

Kristy Diefenbaugh: Yea, Daron Huyser: Yea, Bryant Knoerzer: Yea, Jeff Moore: Yea,

Ryan Shutts: Absent, Mark Weissert: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

- G.7. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve updating bank signature cards and CD signature cards at Security First Bank. Ryan Shutts--Pres. Kristy Diefenbaugh--Secretary, Daren Hatch--Superintendent and removing Jeff Moore.

Motion was made by Jeff Moore seconded by Kristy Diefenbaugh Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve updating bank signature cards and CD signature cards at Security First Bank. Ryan Shutts--Pres. Kristy Diefenbaugh--Secretary, Daren Hatch--Superintendent and removing Jeff Moore. After discussion and on roll call, The Board voted as follows:

The motion: Carried

Kristy Diefenbaugh: Yea, Daron Huyser: Yea, Bryant Knoerzer: Yea, Jeff Moore: Yea,

Ryan Shutts: Absent, Mark Weissert: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

- G.8. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to declare old Pole Vault Pits as excess property. Due to the age of the mats; consider disposing of them.

Motion was made by Mark Weissert seconded by Daron Huyser to declare old Pole Vault Pits as excess property. Due to the age of the mats; consider disposing of them. After discussion and on roll call, The Board voted as follows:

The motion: Carried

Kristy Diefenbaugh: Yea, Daron Huyser: Yea, Bryant Knoerzer: Yea, Jeff Moore: Yea,

Ryan Shutts: Absent, Mark Weissert: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

- G.9. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to replace Applied I and II books \$3,278 (Depreciation)

Motion was made by Jeff Moore seconded by Kristy Diefenbaugh Approve replacement of Applied I & II Curriculum \$3,278.00. After discussion and on roll call, The Board voted as follows:

The motion: Carried

Kristy Diefenbaugh: Yea, Daron Huyser: Yea, Bryant Knoerzer: Yea, Jeff Moore: Yea,

Ryan Shutts: Absent, Mark Weissert: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

- G.10. Discuss, Consider and take all necessary action to approve the amendment of the Special Building Fund budget for 2025-2026 as presented.

Motion was made by Mark Weissert seconded by Jeff Moore approve budget. After discussion and on roll call, The Board voted as follows:

The motion: Carried

Kristy Diefenbaugh: Yea, Daron Huyser: Yea, Bryant Knoerzer: Yea, Jeff Moore: Yea,

Ryan Shutts: Absent, Mark Weissert: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

- H. Next regular meeting May 11, 2026 @ 7:30 pm

Motion was made by Daron Huyser seconded by Mark Weissert adjourn 8:37 pm. After discussion and on roll call, The Board voted as follows:

The motion: Carried

Kristy Diefenbaugh: Yea, Daron Huyser: Yea, Bryant Knoerzer: Yea, Jeff Moore: Yea, Ryan Shutts: Absent, Mark Weissert: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

I. Board ideas for next meeting.

J. Adjournment at \_\_\_\_\_ pm

Motion was made by Mark Weissert seconded by Daron Huyser adjourn at \_8:37\_\_ pm. After discussion and on roll call, The Board voted as follows:

The motion: Carried

Kristy Diefenbaugh: Yea, Daron Huyser: Yea, Bryant Knoerzer: Yea, Jeff Moore: Yea, Ryan Shutts: Absent, Mark Weissert: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Respectfully submitted,

Kristy Diefenbaugh, Recording Secretary  
Gosper County District 37-0030  
a/k/a Elwood Public School