

**O'Neill Public Schools**  
**Board of Education Regular Board Meeting**  
**Monday, April 13, 2026**

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**Board Members**

Amy Jo Rowse - President  
Coby Welke - Vice President  
Monica Huber - Vice President-Elect  
Aaron Sorensen - Member  
Mark Thompson - Member  
Aaron Troester - Member

**Administrators**

Michael Rotherham - Superintendent  
William Wragge - Jr-Sr High School Principal  
Jim York - Elementary School Principal  
Bryan Corkle - Jr-Sr High School Assistant Principal  
Tricia Wiseman - Elementary Assistant Principal  
Nathan Larsen - Activities Director  
Jill Brodersen - Special Education Director

**Board Secretary**

Kathleen Marvin

**Board Treasurer**

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Attendance Taken at 7:33 PM.

Monica Huber: Present  
Amy Rowse: Present  
Aaron Sorensen: Present  
Mark Thompson: Present  
Aaron Troester: Present  
Coby Welke: Present

Posted Locations:

- Holt County Independent (print & website)
- KBRX Radio
- O'Neill Post Office
- O'Neill Public Schools Administrative Office
- O'Neill Jr-Sr High School
- O'Neill Elementary School
- O'Neill Public Schools Website

Posted: Thursday, April 2, 2026

**1. Call to Order**

The **regular board meeting** of the O'Neill Public School Board of Education was called to order by President **Amy Jo Rowse** at 7:33 pm, on **Monday, April 13, 2026** at the Administrative Offices at 635 N 4th Street, O'Neill, Nebraska.

1.A. Roll Call

Administrators Nate Larsen, Mike Rotherham, Will Wragge, Tricia Wiseman, and Jim York were present.

1.B. Excused/Unexcused Board Members

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**3. Recite Mission Statement**

The Mission Statement was recited.

**4. Approve Meeting Agenda**

A motion to approve the meeting agenda, passed with a motion made by Monica Huber and seconded by Aaron Sorensen.

Mark Thompson: Yea, Aaron Troester: Yea, Coby Welke: Yea, Monica Huber: Yea, Amy Rowse: Yea, Aaron Sorensen: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

**5. Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)**

A motion to approve the minutes of the March 16, 2026 regular meeting, passed with a motion made by Coby Welke and seconded by Monica Huber.

Aaron Troester: Yea, Coby Welke: Yea, Monica Huber: Yea, Amy Rowse: Yea, Aaron Sorensen: Yea, Mark Thompson: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

**6. Reception of Visitors**

Visitors were welcomed and informed that this meeting was in compliance with the Nebraska Open Meetings Act which is posted on the south wall of the boardroom.

**7. Oral and Written Communications**

Communications received, either written or oral, were reviewed.

**8. Business**

**8.A. Track Resurfacing Project**

A motion to rescind any previous action awarding contract for high school track resurfacing project to Midwest Tennis & Track Co., passed with a motion made by Coby Welke and seconded by Monica Huber.

Coby Welke: Yea, Monica Huber: Yea, Amy Rowse: Yea, Aaron Sorensen: Yea, Mark Thompson: Yea, Aaron Troester: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

A motion to reject all bids received for the high school track resurfacing project, passed with a motion made by Aaron Sorensen and seconded by Monica Huber.

Monica Huber: Yea, Amy Rowse: Yea, Aaron Sorensen: Yea, Mark Thompson: Yea, Aaron Troester: Yea, Coby Welke: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

A motion to authorize the superintendent to procure bids for the high school track resurfacing project with more detail in bid specifications, passed with a motion made by Mark Thompson and seconded by Coby Welke.

Amy Rowse: Yea, Aaron Sorensen: Yea, Mark Thompson: Yea, Aaron Troester: Yea, Coby Welke: Yea, Monica Huber: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

**8.B. Staff Resignation**

A motion to rescind the resignation of Jill Brodersen, previously accepted on November 11, 2025, passed with a motion made by Monica Huber and seconded by Mark Thompson.

Aaron Sorensen: Yea, Mark Thompson: Yea, Aaron Troester: Yea, Coby Welke: Yea, Monica Huber: Yea, Amy Rowse: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

**8.C. Special Education Director Contract**

A motion to reinstate Jill Brodersen to the position of Special Education Director at .75 FTE, with employee/spouse health insurance coverage and single dental insurance coverage, under the terms of employment for the 2026-2027 school year, passed with a motion made by Aaron Troester and seconded by Aaron Sorensen.

Mark Thompson: Yea, Aaron Troester: Yea, Coby Welke: Yea, Monica Huber: Yea, Amy Rowse: Yea, Aaron Sorensen: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

**8.D. Teaching Contract**

A motion to approve a 1.0 FTE teaching contract for Kaio dos Santos for the 2026-2027 school year, contingent upon successful completion of the alternative certification program through Wayne State College and approval by the Nebraska Department of Education, passed with a motion made by Coby Welke and seconded by Mark Thompson.

Aaron Troester: Yea, Coby Welke: Yea, Monica Huber: Yea, Amy Rowse: Yea, Aaron Sorensen: Yea, Mark Thompson: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

**8.E. Non-Teaching Staff Salaries**

A motion to increase the school psychologist, speech pathologists, and technology coordinator's salaries by 4% for the 2026-2027 school year, passed with a motion made by Aaron Sorensen and seconded by Coby Welke.

Coby Welke: Yea, Monica Huber: Yea, Amy Rowse: Yea, Aaron Sorensen: Yea, Mark Thompson: Yea, Aaron Troester: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

8.F. Classified Staff Compensation

A motion to approve a 4% increase to the classified staff for the 2026-2027 school year, passed with a motion made by Mark Thompson and seconded by Monica Huber.

Monica Huber: Yea, Amy Rowse: Yea, Aaron Sorensen: Yea, Mark Thompson: Yea, Aaron Troester: Yea, Coby Welke: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

8.G. Bank Accounts

A motion to authorize the closure of the Building Fund and Depreciation Fund accounts at First Citizens Bank in Omaha and to direct administration to transfer all funds to Great Plains State Bank-O'Neill branch, passed with a motion made by Monica Huber and seconded by Coby Welke.

Amy Rowse: Yea, Aaron Sorensen: Yea, Mark Thompson: Yea, Aaron Troester: Yea, Coby Welke: Yea, Monica Huber: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

8.H. Option Enrollment Report

The Option Enrollment report was reviewed. No action necessary.

**9. Administrative Reports**

Administrative reports were presented.

**10. Bills and Claims and Payroll Report**

A motion to approve the bills and claims, and accept the payroll report, passed with a motion made by Coby Welke and seconded by Aaron Sorensen.

Aaron Sorensen: Yea, Mark Thompson: Yea, Aaron Troester: Yea, Coby Welke: Yea, Monica Huber: Yea, Amy Rowse: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

**11. Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn at 8:13 pm, passed with a motion made by Aaron Sorensen and seconded by Coby Welke.

Mark Thompson: Yea, Aaron Troester: Yea, Coby Welke: Yea, Monica Huber: Yea, Amy Rowse: Yea, Aaron Sorensen: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

  
Kathleen Marvin  
School Board Secretary Holt Co. Dist. #7

Pending Approval

<u>Vendor Name</u>				<u>Amount</u>
<u>Checking</u>		1		
Checking	1	Fund: 01	General Fund	
ACT, Inc.				740.00
Alder, Beverli				105.38
Amazon.com				1,251.72
Appearra				1,306.25
Apple.com				21.38
Arbys #0577				10.60
Armendariz, Jessica				223.16
Avera St. Anthony's Hospital				2,210.78
Berg, Sarah				223.16
Black Hills Energy				5,962.87
Boshart, Laura				260.35
Bosselman Pump & Pantry Inc				2,135.97
Brachle, Ashley				210.76
Bradshaw, Melanie				409.13
Bright Wheel				55.00
Burival, Tony				185.97
Buxton, Cody				446.32
Camp, Natalie				7,422.03
Carhart Lumber Co.				43.79
Carson, Denise				892.64
Casey's #2970 - Lincoln				35.00
Casey's General Store #2378				2,207.76
Casey's General Stores, Inc.				25.89
CenturyLink				119.68
Chartwells Dining Services				198.00
Chohon, Erin				628.16
Christensen, Jennifer				386.40
City of O'Neill Recycling Center				93.80
City of O'Neill				3,809.26
Clearfly				451.40
Cole Sand & Gravel				2,880.00
Cooper, Maria				175.64
CS Construction				250.00
Cubby's, Inc.				2,021.93
Cuhel, Frank				446.32
Cullen, Paulina				20.00
Demco, Inc				136.07
Dykshorn, Melissa				223.16
Edgerton Explorit Center				495.00
Egan Supply Co				185.88
Embassy Suites				394.58
Emme Construction, L.L.C.				750.00
Engineered Controls, Inc.,				2,850.00
ESU #1				210.00
ESU #8				29,368.82
Filip, George				176.90
Fire Protection Services, LLC				268.63
Fisher, Tonya				557.90
Flinn Scientific, Inc.				41.98
Follett Content Solutions, LLC				1,075.68
Follett School Solutions, Inc				0.00
Frank, Shelly				260.35
Gokie Oil Company, Inc.				65.47
GreatAmerica Financial Services				1,018.80

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<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Gueta-Lopez, Gabriela	223.16
Heartland Counseling Services, Inc.	2,500.00
Holt County Independent	245.63
HomeDepot.com	104.22
Island Supply Welding Co.	231.48
J & L Collision Center, Inc	760.79
Johnson's, Inc.	2,340.61
Kaup, Amy	110.74
KBRX Radio	7.50
Kellum Welding LLC	750.00
Kennedy, Valerie	421.53
Klasna, Lala	446.32
Krysl, Lisa	111.58
KSB School Law	600.00
Laible, Dustin	297.55
Leaf Funding Inc	142.64
LeFever, Katie	421.53
Limburg, Lisa	198.36
Lunchtime Solutions, Inc..	1,733.60
Mandt System, Inc., The	279.72
Martinez, Jesse	189.74
Mathews, Alyssa	20.00
McDonalds #7897	5.55
Mid-American Research Chemical	387.50
Miner, Cheryl	85.97
Mudloff, Lara	210.76
NDE Early Childhood Training Center	190.00
Nebraska Public Power District	121.50
Nebraska Rural Comm School Assoc	250.00
Nebraska.gov	5.50
Neu You Physical Therapy, PC	1,517.00
NPPD	10,228.08
Nunnenkamp, Emily	20.00
O'Neill Auto Supply, Inc	14.99
O'Neill Car Wash LLC	34.73
O'Neill Lumber & Trailer Sales	586.49
O'Neill Shopper	63.00
Ogden Hardware	1,226.67
Ollendick, Kacey	70.25
One Office Solution	2,043.53
One Source, The Background Check Co.,Inc	44.00
OPS Activity Account	575.00
OPS Lunch Fund	610.30
Parks, Katie	105.38
Peterson, Kristi	456.65
Pinkerman, Denise	396.73
Pitney Bowes Bank Inc	470.27
Pitney Bowes Global Financial Services, LLC	560.94
Platform Athletics, LLC (DBA: PLT4M)	1,200.00
Prestige Group Inc	5,850.00
Que Place Garage	28.50
Ranchland Auto Parts	189.77
Sayers, Angela	409.13
School Nurse Supply	155.25
Shell	53.50
Sholes, Molly	185.97

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<u>Vendor Name</u>			<u>Amount</u>	
Spangler, Allen			132.25	
Special T's & More			1,321.70	
Staples			65.34	
Stepp, Melanie			202.30	
Steppco Refrigeration			8,881.45	
Thompson, Erin			185.97	
Three River			187.10	
Torpin's Rodeo Market			489.69	
Torpin, Carla			421.53	
University of Nebraska-Lincoln			220.00	
University of Nebraska			10.82	
VanEvery, Maria			409.13	
VEVOR			744.06	
Viaero Wireless			18.96	
WARD'S NATURAL SCIENCE			230.75	
Welke, Amanda			115.71	
Westerberg, Ashley			175.64	
Wettlaufer, Kristin			371.93	
Wilson, Sarah			456.65	
Wiseman, Tricia			409.13	
Wright, Hannah			892.74	
				Fund Total:
				134,318.58
Checking	1	Fund: 06	NUTRITION FUND	
Column Software PBC			2,719	
Lunchtime Solutions, Inc..			42,76.46	
Pitney Bowes Bank Inc			2.96	
				Fund Total:
				42,902.61
				Checking Account Total:
				177,221.19
<u>Checking</u>		2		
Checking	2	Fund: 02	Depreciation Fund	
OPS Activity Account			6,000.00	
				Fund Total:
				6,000.00
				Checking Account Total:
				6,000.00

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