

Board of Education Regular Meeting
Tuesday, April 14, 2026 @ 5:00 PM

Isanti Community School -Dakota Conference
Room

Isanti Community School

Waylon LaPlante: Present

Anita LaPointe: Present

Susan Pike: Present

Larry Thomas: Absent

Sidney Tuttle: Absent

Dewayne Wabasha: Present

Present: 4, Absent: 2.

Absent: Sidney Tuttle, Larry Thomas

Sidney Tuttle: Present

Present: 5, Absent: 1.

Sidney Tuttle arrived at 5:03pm

Larry Thomas: Present

Present: 6.

Larry Thomas arrived at 5:11pm

Anita LaPointe: Absent

Present: 5, Absent: 1.

Anita LaPointe left at 6:02pm

I. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Absent: Larry Thomas, Sidney Tuttle, **Present:** Waylon LaPlante, Anita LaPointe, Susan Pike, Dewayne Wabasha.
Present: 4, Absent: 2. Absent: Sidney Tuttle, Larry Thomas

II. Nebraska Open Meetings Law

III. Roll Call

IV. Public Comment & Recognition of Guests

V. Approve the minutes of the March 11, 2026 Regular Board Meeting

Present: Sidney Tuttle. Present: 5, Absent: 1. Sidney Tuttle arrived at 5:03pm

It was moved by Susan Pike and seconded by Dewayne Wabasha to approve minutes for March 11, 2026 Regular Board Meeting.

Roll call vote: Passed

Larry Thomas: Absent, Waylon LaPlante: Yea, Anita LaPointe: Yea, Susan Pike: Yea, Sidney Tuttle: Yea, Dewayne Wabasha: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

VI. Treasurer Report

VII. Approve Outstanding Payables

It was moved by Susan Pike and seconded by Dewayne Wabasha to approve payables as presented.

Roll call vote: Passed

Larry Thomas: Absent, Waylon LaPlante: Yea, Anita LaPointe: Yea, Susan Pike: Yea, Sidney Tuttle: Yea, Dewayne Wabasha: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

VIII. Discussion and Action Items

VIII.A. New Hires / Resignations

Present: Larry Thomas. Present: 6. Larry Thomas arrived at 5:11pm

It was moved by Susan Pike and seconded by Dewayne Wabasha to go into Closed Session at 5:08pm, for personnel.

Roll call vote: Passed

Larry Thomas: Absent, Waylon LaPlante: Yea, Anita LaPointe: Yea, Susan Pike: Yea, Sidney Tuttle: Yea, Dewayne Wabasha: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

It was moved by Susan Pike and seconded by Dewayne Wabasha to come out of Closed Session at 5:18pm.

Roll call vote: Passed

Waylon LaPlante: Yea, Anita LaPointe: Yea, Susan Pike: Yea, Larry Thomas: Yea, Sidney Tuttle: Yea, Dewayne Wabasha: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

It was moved by Sidney Tuttle and seconded by Dewayne Wabasha to approve new Teacher Contracts for 2026-27 Frank Garlejo and Bob Evans.

Roll call vote: Passed

Waylon LaPlante: Yea, Anita LaPointe: Yea, Susan Pike: Yea, Larry Thomas: Yea, Sidney Tuttle: Yea, Dewayne Wabasha: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

VIII.B. Approve Teacher Contracts

It was moved by Sidney Tuttle and seconded by Susan Pike to approve Teacher Contracts for 2026-27 as presented.

Roll call vote: Passed

Waylon LaPlante: Yea, Anita LaPointe: Yea, Susan Pike: Yea, Larry Thomas: Yea, Sidney Tuttle: Yea, Dewayne Wabasha: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

VIII.C. Approve Principal Pay

It was moved by Sidney Tuttle and seconded by Susan Pike to Approve Principal pay for Ruth LaPlante and Tiffany Phelps, as presented by Supt. Shepard.

Roll call vote: Passed

Waylon LaPlante: Abstain (With Conflict), Anita LaPointe: Yea, Susan Pike: Yea, Larry Thomas: Yea, Sidney Tuttle: Yea, Dewayne Wabasha: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Abstain (With Conflict): 1

VIII.D. Amend August 12, 2025 minutes.

It was moved by Susan Pike and seconded by Dewayne Wabasha to amend the August 12, 2025 Regular board minutes.

Roll call vote: Passed

Larry Thomas: Absent, Waylon LaPlante: Yea, Anita LaPointe: Yea, Susan Pike: Yea, Sidney Tuttle: Yea,
Dewayne Wabasha: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

VIII.E. Gym Locker Room Entry Door Fob Reader Project

It was moved by Larry Thomas and seconded by Susan Pike to approve 15,537.40 Bid for Locker Room Doors Project.

Roll call vote: Passed

Waylon LaPlante: Yea, Anita LaPointe: Yea, Susan Pike: Yea, Larry Thomas: Yea, Sidney Tuttle: Yea, Dewayne Wabasha: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

VIII.F. Ecowater Lindsay Water Conditioning Project

It was moved by Sidney Tuttle and seconded by Dewayne Wabasha to approve Ecowater Project 83,900.76.

Roll call vote: Passed

Larry Thomas: Absent, Waylon LaPlante: Yea, Anita LaPointe: Yea, Susan Pike: Yea, Sidney Tuttle: Yea,
Dewayne Wabasha: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

VIII.G. Admission of Out-of-State Students

It was moved by Larry Thomas and seconded by Sidney Tuttle to approve admission for Out of State Students - two Kindergartners.

Roll call vote: Passed

Waylon LaPlante: Yea, Anita LaPointe: Yea, Susan Pike: Yea, Larry Thomas: Yea, Sidney Tuttle: Yea, Dewayne Wabasha: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

VIII.H. Technology Purchases

It was moved by Sidney Tuttle and seconded by Dewayne Wabasha to approve Technology Purchases for \$116,404.

Roll call vote: Passed

Waylon LaPlante: Yea, Anita LaPointe: Yea, Susan Pike: Yea, Larry Thomas: Yea, Sidney Tuttle: Yea, Dewayne Wabasha: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

VIII.I. Science Curriculum Purchase

It was moved by Larry Thomas and seconded by Susan Pike to approve Carolina Science Curriculum for \$34,576.01.

Roll call vote: Passed

Waylon LaPlante: Yea, Anita LaPointe: Yea, Susan Pike: Yea, Larry Thomas: Yea, Sidney Tuttle: Yea, Dewayne Wabasha: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

VIII.J. Multi-Purpose Room - wall matting project

It was moved by Dewayne Wabasha and seconded by Anita LaPointe to approve Multi-Purpose Room Wall Matting Project for \$6450.00.

Roll call vote: Passed

Waylon LaPlante: Yea, Anita LaPointe: Yea, Susan Pike: Yea, Larry Thomas: Yea, Sidney Tuttle: Yea, Dewayne Wabasha: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

VIII.K. Boys and Girls Club of SSN

It was moved by Sidney Tuttle and seconded by Susan Pike to approve donation to Boys and Girls Club for \$2,500.

Roll call vote: Passed

Waylon LaPlante: Yea, Anita LaPointe: Yea, Susan Pike: Yea, Larry Thomas: Yea, Sidney Tuttle: Yea, Dewayne Wabasha: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

VIII.L. 2026 Santee Sioux Nation Wacipi (pow wow)

Sidney asked about donating towels with school logo, Greg said he would look into it and send an email with prices. Board members said it would be nice to see staff members at our June ? Pow-wow.

It was moved by Larry Thomas and seconded by Dewayne Wabasha to approve donation to Annual Pow-wow for \$1,000.

Roll call vote: Passed

Waylon LaPlante: Yea, Anita LaPointe: Yea, Susan Pike: Yea, Larry Thomas: Yea, Sidney Tuttle: Yea, Dewayne Wabasha: Yea
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

VIII.M. 21st CCLC Grant: After School Program and Summer School Update

VIII.N. Special Education Program: Director Update

Ms. Wronko discussed updates. Sidney Tuttle inquired about Staffing. Ms. Wronko and Ms. Phelps share details about changes and getting things fixed for next year.

VIII.O. Approval of 24-25 Audit

Absent: Anita LaPointe. Present: 5, Absent: 1. Anita LaPointe left at 6:02pm

It was moved by Larry Thomas and seconded by Dewayne Wabasha to approved 2024-25 Audit.

Roll call vote: Passed

Anita LaPointe: Absent, Waylon LaPlante: Yea, Susan Pike: Yea, Larry Thomas: Yea, Sidney Tuttle: Yea, Dewayne Wabasha: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

IX. Reports

IX.A. Superintendent

Supt. Shepard update. 1) Valedictorian conflict. This year we will have 2 Valedictorians. Handbook says two different things. 2) Senior Absences, took a stance of holding kids accountable, but parents have the opportunity to provide documents to change absences to excused due to handbook reasons. Board Members Susan and Waylon, talked to providers about Dr. Notes. Supt. Shepard is not saying throw it out. We still need to follow policy, just giving a deadline for documents to be turned in by Friday, April 24th. 3) We are having low water pressure issues, school is closed as Ecowater completes the installation of pumps. Classified staff will be paid. 4)

Dana Cole - Auditor, dropped us. We will need to find someone else. Waylon asked about the letter from the State Auditor. A copy of the email is in Board drive. Waylon read the email from State Auditor Deputy.

IX.B. EC Director, ELEM Principal & MS-HS Principal

MS/HS Principal Mrs. LaPlante gave update of activities and upcoming events. MAP and ACT testing, . PK-5 Principal Ms. Phelps shared MAP/NCAS testing is in progress, Character Counts recognition was held March 25, Title I night was very well attended, and they partnered with community programs. Parent/Teacher Conferences was held March 17th.

IX.C. Committee Reports

X. ***Closed Session:** If, during the course of the meeting discussion of any item on the agenda should be held in closed meeting, the board will conduct a closed meeting in accordance with the Nebraska Open Meetings Law.

XI. **Adjourn**

It was moved by Larry Thomas and seconded by Sidney Tuttle to adjourn at ???.

Roll call vote: Passed

Anita LaPointe: Absent, Waylon LaPlante: Yea, Susan Pike: Yea, Larry Thomas: Yea, Sidney Tuttle: Yea, Dewayne Wabasha: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1