

Sargent Public Schools

SARGENT, NEBRASKA 68874

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SCHOOL DISTRICT #84

To: Board of Education
From: Office of the Superintendent
Subject: Regular Board Meeting Monday, April 13, 2026 @ 7:00 PM

AGENDA

1. Sargent Public Schools Board of Education Information

More Information: *The meeting agenda will be kept current and available for public inspection at the Superintendent's Office during regular working hours.*

District Vision: *We are proud of who we are, united by our community, and driven by purpose. With modern facilities, a strong curriculum, and a focus on leadership, we prepare every student for a successful Future.*

District Mission: *Sargent Public Schools is committed to providing an education to prepare students to be productive and thrive in tomorrow's world.*

Core Values:

- 1. STUDENTS FIRST**
- 2. SARGENT STRONG**
- 3. COMMUNITY SUPPORT**
- 4. INVESTING IN THE FUTURE**

The Open Meetings Act requires and the intention of the Board is that agenda items be sufficiently descriptive to give the public reasonable notice of matters to be considered at the meeting. The Board of Education releases its agenda well in advance of most meetings and desires that all interested persons are fully informed. Any interested person who has a question or needs clarification about the sufficiency of a descriptive item should contact the Office of the Superintendent of Schools.

If anyone in attendance is interested in addressing our Board, you are welcome to do so. We simply request that you complete the appropriate form and turn it in to us now, so that you may be recognized during the 'Public Comment' section of our meeting.

Agenda items are subject to reordering at the discretion of the board president. Board members may request specific agenda item(s) be moved to a different place on the agenda. Please attend the entire meeting to ensure you hear discussion on a particular agenda item.

2. Opening Procedures:



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2.1. Call to Order

More Information: The Board of Education reserves the right to enter into Executive Session for the protection of the public interest, or the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual, and if the individual has not requested a public meeting.

2.2. Roll Call

2.3. Pledge of Allegiance

2.4. Excused absence of Board Member

2.5. Open Meetings Act

More Information: Pursuant to Section 84-1412 of the Nebraska Statutes, the public is hereby informed that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted by the landing of the entrance to the Library.

Notice of this meeting was published in the Sargent Leader and placed at the Corner Market, Post Office, and First National Bank in Sargent.

3. Consent Agenda

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

3.1. Approval of Agenda

3.2. Approve minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of March 9th, 2026.

3.3. Approve Financial Reports

3.4. Approval of Claims/Bills

3.5. Board Policy Adoption

3.5.1. First Reading of Board Policies

3.5.1.a. Policy 5209 - School Library Materials and Parent Access

3.5.2. Second Reading of Board Policy

3.5.2.a. Policy 1040 - Annual Report

3.5.2.b. Policy 3540 - Bidding Construction Projects

3.5.2.c. Policy 5601 -- Asthma, Anaphylaxis and Allergic Reaction Protocol

3.5.2.d. Policy 7050 - Bids and Contracts

3.6. Personnel Items

3.6.1. New Hire(s)

3.6.1.a. Head Cook/ Kitchen Manager — Heather Grizzle

4. RECOGNITION OF EXCELLENCE

5. Reports and Discussion Items

5.1. Board Committee Reports

5.2. Principal Report

5.3. Superintendent Report

6. Discuss, consider, and take any necessary action on the following:

6.1. Discuss, consider, and take any necessary action regarding the Emergency Operation Plan for Sargent Public Schools.



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- 6.2. Discuss, consider, and take any necessary action to add \$12,000 to the Twin Loup fund.
- 6.3. Discuss, consider, and take any necessary action to amend 2025-2026 calendar to designate May 14 as the last day of student attendance and May 15 as a teacher workday to allow staff time to move materials in preparation for the HVAC installation.
- 6.4. Discuss, consider, and take any necessary action to approve purchasing passenger vans
- 6.5. Discuss, consider, and take any necessary action to purchase a mower to replace the 2011 mower.
- 6.6. Discuss, consider, and take any necessary action to purchase 10 replacement laptop computers for staff and 55 Chromebooks for students.
7. Visitors and Guests Public Comments
8. Board Comments
9. Tentative Upcoming Board Meeting/Event Dates **Future Board Meetings**
Regular Meetings:
May 11, 2026
June 8 2026

Tentative Committee Meeting Dates:

Policy Committee: **May 5, 2026 @ 7:30pm** (Supt. Office)

Finance/Facilities/Transportation Review Committee: **May 7, 2026 @ 7:00pm** (Supt. Office)

Upcoming Event Highlights:

Events -

All activities are located on our website, www.sargentpublicschools.org home page or on the App in the calendar.

10. Adjournment

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

**Sequence of Agenda: The sequence of agenda topics is subject to change at the discretion of the board.

***Action item: The board reserves the right to take action on an item listed on the board agenda.



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Legal and public notice being duly given that the regular meeting of the Sargent Public School Board of Education was called to order on Monday, March 9, 2026 at 7:00 PM in the Sargent School Library, 400 N 5th Street, Sargent, NE 68874. Vice President Grint announced that the Sargent Board of Education abides by the Nebraska Open Meetings Act and then the members stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call of members: Beran: Absent, Clayton: Present, Gibbens: Present, Grint: Present, Myers: Present, Stefka: Present.

Cory Grint – Vice President

Jamie Slingsby - Principal

Larry Gibbens moved followed by a second from Rollie Stefka to excuse Cory Beran from the meeting. Roll call - . Beran: Absent, Clayton: Nay, Gibbens: Yea, Grint: Yea, Myers: Yea, Stefka: Yea

Rob Myers moved followed by a second from Rollie Stefka to approve the consent agenda which includes paying the bills in the amount of \$330,173.52 from the general account and special building bills of \$92,014.00. Also, the financial reports were gone over as well as the first readings of policy numbers: 1040, 3540, 5601, & 7050. Roll call - . Beran: Absent, Clayton: Yea, Gibbens: Yea, Grint: Yea, Myers: Yea, Stefka: Yea

Larry Gibbens moved followed by a second from Madeline Clayton to approve Stacy Ottun's resignation with gratitude. Roll call - . Beran: Absent, Clayton: Yea, Gibbens: Yea, Grint: Yea, Myers: Yea, Stefka: Yea

Recognition of Excellence was recognized by the following: **Boys Wrestling**-Our wrestling program had a strong season. The following student-athletes qualified for and competed in the **Nebraska State Wrestling Tournament**, representing Sargent with pride: Emmett Grint, Cazen Smith, Oran Grint, Blake Bottorf, and Brent Shipporiet.

Girls Basketball-The girls basketball team demonstrated determination and resilience throughout the season. Their effort, teamwork, and commitment to competing hard every game exemplified what it means to be **Sargent Strong**.

Boys Basketball-The boys basketball team had an outstanding season: **MNAC Conference Champions, Subdistrict Champions**, Narrow **1-point loss in the District Final**, just short of qualifying for the State Tournament. In addition, **Yahya Harris** reached an impressive milestone by scoring **1,000 career points in just two seasons**.

Cheerleading-Our cheerleaders competed in their **first competition this year** and provided excellent energy and support for our teams and fans throughout the season.

FFA - Career Development Events (CDE)-Approximately **360 FFA students** participated in a variety of **Career Development Events**, representing our agricultural education program in numerous contests and continuing to build leadership and career skills.

Reports were given by each board committee and what was discussed. Mr. Slingsby discussed his principal report. The following were February's students and staff members of the month: K-2nd-Alexa Guilley, 3rd-5th-Toby Horkey, 6th-8th-Brock Morse, 9th-12th-Cazen Smith with Corinne Sybrant as Staff member. Mr. Olsen was home sick but had sent his report to the board members.

Rollie Stefka moved followed by a second from Larry Gibbens to approve the 26-27 school calendar. Roll call - . Beran: Absent, Clayton: Yea, Gibbens: Yea, Grint: Yea, Myers: Yea, Stefka: Yea

Rob Myers moved followed by a second from Rollie Stefka to approve the 2026-27 administrator contract. Roll call - . Beran: Absent, Clayton: Yea, Gibbens: Yea, Grint: Yea, Myers: Yea, Stefka: Yea

Larry Gibbens moved followed by a second from Madeline Clayton to approve the installation of a fence around the entire playground for \$21,477.57 from Craz Contracting LLC. Roll call - . Beran: Absent, Clayton: Yea, Gibbens: Yea, Grint: Yea, Myers: Yea, Stefka: Yea

There were a few staff members in attendance to stay informed and give support of the playground fence.

Board members commented on how well our students showed up and cheered for the boys basketball team and filled in some quiet moments. They also commented on how well information and activities are going out on Facebook as well as alerts.

Next regular board meeting will be on April 13th at 7:00 pm.

Rollie Stefka moved followed by a second from Cory Grint to adjourned the meeting at 7:46 pm. Roll call - . Beran: Absent, Clayton: Yea, Gibbens: Yea, Grint: Yea, Myers: Yea, Stefka: Yea

Cory Beran, President

Larry Gibbens, Secretary

County of Custer School District #8 **Board Report - Newspaper-Brd Mtg**

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| Number | Vendor Name | Invoice Description | Amount |
|--------------|--|-----------------------------------|----------------------|
| 10568 | AGLAND ATV | Maint | \$ 109.99 |
| 10569 | APPEARA | Maint | \$ 78.79 |
| 10570 | BLACK HILLS ENERGY | Maint | \$ 4,846.04 |
| 10571 | BURWELL FAMILY PRACTICE | Bus | \$ 258.00 |
| 10563 | BURWELL PUBLIC SCHOOL | Nurse | \$ 3,356.73 |
| 10572 | CDW GOVERNMENT, INC | Office | \$ 275.29 |
| 10573 | CORNER MARKET | Title, Elem, PreK, Sped, Staff | \$ 1,072.38 |
| 10574 | CUSTER COUNTY CHIEF | Ads | \$ 141.02 |
| 10575 | DAS STATE ACCOUNTING - CENTRAL FI D. Learn | | \$ 423.83 |
| 10576 | EAKES OFFICE | Supplies | \$ 2,154.76 |
| 10577 | EB Academic Camps, LLC | JH Eng | \$ 1,318.85 |
| 10564 | EDGERTON EXPLORIT CENTER | Title I | \$ 1,158.20 |
| 10578 | EDUCATIONAL SERVICE UNIT # 10 | Spe,OT,Psych,LMH,Audi,Sup, VR,Vis | \$ 13,115.78 |
| 10579 | GENERAL FUND PETTY CASH | HAL, Sec, Staff, Postage | \$ 1,310.64 |
| 10580 | GREAT WESTERN GAS | Maint | \$ 384.00 |
| 10581 | GRINT FARM SUPPLY | Maint, Shop | \$ 56.94 |
| 10582 | HIRERIGHT LLC | Bus | \$ 60.90 |
| 10565 | HOMETOWN LEASING | Copiers | \$ 404.93 |
| 10583 | ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING | Shop | \$ 126.48 |
| 10584 | KCNI-AM/KBBN-FM | Ads | \$ 250.00 |
| 10566 | LOUP COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS | Spanish | \$ 1,528.56 |
| 10585 | MENARDS - KEARNEY | Maint | \$ 232.81 |
| 10586 | MIDWEST GRADS | Seniors | \$ 306.85 |
| 10587 | MYSTERY SCIENCE INC | Elem Sci | \$ 4,369.00 |
| 10588 | NCS PEARSON, INC | Sped | \$ 19.60 |
| 10589 | NCTC COMPANY | Phone | \$ 274.47 |
| 10590 | NE DOL/BOILER INSPECTION PROGRAM | Boiler | \$ 72.00 |
| 10591 | NEBRASKA COUNCIL OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS | GRIT Conf | \$ 75.00 |
| 10592 | PERRY LAW FIRM | Legal | \$ 288.00 |
| 10593 | POWER SOLUTIONS LLC | Bus | \$ 2,219.67 |
| 10594 | PRESTO-X-COMPANY | Maint | \$ 113.03 |
| 10567 | RETIREMENT PLAN CONSULTANTS | Board | \$ 250.00 |
| 10595 | SARGENT LEADER | Prints | \$ 306.68 |
| 10596 | SARGENT TIRE LLC | Bus Maint | \$ 1,252.26 |
| 10597 | SARGENT UTILITIES | Maint | \$ 3,403.72 |
| 10598 | SCHNEIDER'S PARTS HOUSE | Bus | \$ 147.36 |
| 10599 | SPELTS LUMBER CO. | Maint, Ag | \$ 211.64 |
| 10600 | TEACHER SYNERGY LLC | Sped | \$ 97.30 |
| 10601 | TEAM PHYSICAL THERAPY P.C. | PT | \$ 1,100.27 |
| 10602 | TROTTER'S WHOA & GO | Bus | \$ 2,117.81 |
| 10603 | U.S. Bank | Elem, Sec, Sped,Conf, | \$ 8,206.70 |
| 10604 | WHITE OAK COACHING & CONSULTING | Admin | \$ 2,250.00 |
| Checking A 1 | Fund 01 | GENERAL FUND | Inv Amt \$ 59,746.28 |
| Payroll | | April | \$ 266,812.53 |
| | | TOTAL GENERAL | \$ 326,558.81 |
| 1012 | CRAZ CONTRACTING LLC | Fence Deposit | \$ 10,738.79 |
| Checking A 2 | Fund 02 | DEPRECIATION FUND | Inv Amt \$ 10,738.79 |