

Special Meeting
Wednesday, July 22, 2026 Polk BOE Room

HPC Secondary- Polk BOE Room (Jan-June)
260 S Pine
Polk, NE 68654-0029

Agenda

1. Call Meeting to Order
 - 1.1. Public Meeting Announcement
 - 1.2. Open Meetings Act Recognition
 - 1.3. Board Member Attendance, Roll Call
 - 1.4. Consent Agenda
 - 1.4.1. Consider Minutes of Previous Meeting(s) and Their Approval (Appendix A)

Regular Meeting

The Regular monthly meeting of the High Plains Community Schools Board of Education was held on Monday, July 13, 2026 at HPC Elementary- Clarks BOE Room (June-Dec), 205 W. Pearl St., Clarks, NE 68628. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM.

Call Meeting to Order

Public Meeting Announcement

Open Meetings Act Recognition

Board Member Attendance, Roll Call

Consent Agenda

A motion to approve the consent agenda as presented for past minutes, bills, and financial statements Passed with a motion by Nathan Spurling and a second by Megan Pike.

Yea 6 Nay 0

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HPC Student Council: No Report

Community Input: No Report

Discussion/Action Items

Administrator Reports

Elementary Principal Report : Mrs. Helgoth reported on the building and grounds improvements, the summer reading challenge, professional development for elementary staff, and interventions that will be implemented this upcoming school year. Upcoming in-service days will be included in the schedule we are building, and we still need to hire a part-time cook.

Junior High & High School Principal Report: No Report

AD Report: Mr. Wood discussed the refinishing of the gym floors in Clarks and Polk, the upcoming golf fundraiser, SWAY testing for all 7-12 students, the upcoming NCA Coaches Clinic with six coaches attending, fall sports practices starting on August 10th, an update on summer camps of the HPC sports teams, and extra duty positions that still need to be filled.

Superintendent Report: Mr. Brown reported the status of buildings and projects at the building. The gym is near completion as drying and curing lead to the final clean-up. E-rate funding has been delayed and possibly cut by the federal government, and some technology projects have been placed on hold this summer. Thank you to Mrs. Carlson for doing the HPC yearbook this summer. We appreciate the yearbook getting done for our students. A discussion was held on the 2026-27 budget and topics from the budget workshop. Preliminary numbers were shown and discussed.

Review and discuss the following annual policy reviews: Policy #5057 (Title I Parental Involvement) and #5054 (Bullying).

Hearing on Policy #5045 (Student Fees)

The board will receive public comment on Policy #5045 on all student fees.

A motion to approve student fees in policy #5045 (Student Fees) Passed with a motion by Nathan Spurling and a second by Dorinda Brown.
Yea 6 Nay 0

Hearing on Policy #5018 (Parental Involvement)

The board will receive public comment on Policy #5018 (Parental Involvement)

A motion to approve policy # 5018 (Parental Involvement) for the 2026-27 school year Passed with a motion by Nathan Spurling and a second by Chad Hoffman.
Yea 6 Nay 0

A motion to approve the 2026-27 HPC Student, Staff, and Activity Handbooks Passed with a motion by Nathan Spurling and a second by Dorinda Brown.
Yea 6 Nay 0

A motion to approve the contract for Mr. Jason Brown at High Plains Community Schools Passed with a motion by Nathan Spurling and a second by Megan Pike.
Yea 6 Nay 0

Executive Session

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 and set the next regular meeting for August 10th at 7:00am in Polk. Passed with a motion by Megan Pike and a second by Dorinda Brown.
Yea 6 Nay 0

Submitted by,
Chad Hoffman
Board Secretary

- 1.5. Community Input
2. Review, discuss, and take all action on a certified teaching contract for the 2026-27 school year.
3. Executive Session
4. Motion to Adjourn
5. ***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 Act**
6. ***SEQUENCE OF AGENDA: The sequence of agenda topics is subject to change at the discretion of the board.**