

Board of Education Regular Meeting

Monday, November 11, 2024 7:00 PM

Minden High School Media Center, 543 West 5th, Minden, NE 68959-0301

Andy Craig: Present
Justin Glanzer: Present
Cody Krull: Present
Kevin Raun: Present
Rusty Rhynalds: Present
Katie Sinsel: Present

1. Call to Order

1.a. Open Meetings Act is Posted

1.b. Mission Statement

1.c. Roll Call

1.d. Pledge of Allegiance

2. Public Comment

3. Consent Agenda

Action(s):

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda. This motion, made by Justin Glanzer and seconded by Andy Craig, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Andy Craig: Yea
Justin Glanzer: Yea
Cody Krull: Yea
Kevin Raun: Yea
Rusty Rhynalds: Yea
Katie Sinsel: Nay

Voting Summary: Yea: 5, Nay: 1

3.a. Consider Minutes from October 14 Meeting

3.b. Consider Financial Reports

3.c. Consider Expenditures and Claims for Payment

4. Reports

4.a. Board Committees

4.b. Principals

4.c. Superintendent

5. Policy Review and Updates

5.a. Consider and Discuss Policy 3241 Emergency
Response Mapping

6. Action Items

6.a. Consider, Discuss, and Take Action on District
Audit

Action(s) :

Motion to approve the District audit. This
motion, made by Justin Glanzer and seconded by
Kevin Raun, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Andy Craig: Yea

Justin Glanzer: Yea

Cody Krull: Yea

Kevin Raun: Yea

Rusty Rhynalds: Yea

Katie Sinsel: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 6, Nay: 0

7. Next Meeting

8. **Adjournment per Board President Action at 7:34
p.m.**

Board Secretary

**MINDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
October 14, 2024**

The agenda for the October 14, 2024 meeting was posted at the United States Post Office in Minden, Minden Exchange Bank, First Bank and Trust Company, Kearney County Courthouse, and the Minden city office. Agendas were mailed to the United States Post Office in Upland and Heartwell. The agenda was posted in the superintendent's office and notice was published in the local paper.

1. The board meeting began at 7:00 pm with all board members present.

3. Motion by Craig and second by Glanzer to approve the consent agenda consisting of minutes from the September 9 meeting, financial reports, and claims for payment. Roll call: Craig, aye; Glanzer, aye; Krull, aye; Raun, aye; Rhynalds, aye; Sinsel, nay. Motion carried.

6.a. Motion by Krull and second by Glanzer to approve amendments to Policy 1108 Community Use of Fitness Areas. Roll call: Craig, aye; Glanzer, aye; Krull, aye; Raun, aye; Rhynalds, aye; Sinsel, nay. Motion carried.

6.b. Motion by Craig and second by Raun to approve the 2025-26 capacity limits for Policy 5006. Roll call: Craig, aye; Glanzer, aye; Krull, aye; Raun, aye; Rhynalds, aye; Sinsel, nay. Motion carried.

6.c. Motion by Krull and second by Glanzer to approve the Middle School Renovation Change Order #1. Roll call: Craig, aye; Glanzer, aye; Krull, aye; Raun, aye; Rhynalds, aye; Sinsel, nay. Motion carried.

8. At 7:33 pm, meeting adjourned per Board President action.

Secretary, Board of Education

MINDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
TREASURER'S REPORT
October 31, 2024

SCHOOL BALANCE - September 30, 2024			\$308,824.58
Current Months Receipts			\$689,381.58
Transfers from Investments			\$300,000.00
Total Beginning Balance and Receipts			<u>\$1,298,206.16</u>
Less: Disbursements			\$1,087,997.58
Transfer to Investments			<u>\$0.00</u>
Total Disbursements			<u>\$1,087,997.58</u>
SCHOOL BALANCE - October 31, 2024			<u><u>\$210,208.58</u></u>
BALANCE PER BANK STATEMENT - October 31, 2024			\$210,208.58
Deposits In Transit			\$0.00
LESS : Outstanding Checks			<u>\$0.00</u>
RECONCILED BANK BALANCE - October 31, 2024			<u><u>\$210,208.58</u></u>
(Balance - October 31, 2023 = \$194,151.67)			
GENERAL FUND INVESTMENTS			\$3,306,266.92
Money Market Minden Exchange	\$1,959,046.21	2.78% demand	
Money Market First Bank	\$1,347,220.71	2.22% demand	
(Balance October 31, 2023 = \$2,894,837.34)			
DEPRECIATION FUND INVESTED			\$179,093.02
Money Market Minden Exchange Bank	\$130,357.18	2.78% demand	
Money Market First Bank	\$48,730.65	1.93% demand	
Checking Minden Exchange Bank	\$5.19		
(Balance October 31, 2023 = \$171,895.60)			
BUILDING FUND			\$1,027,627.49
Money Market Minden Exchange Bank	\$102,727.78	2.72% demand	
Money Market First Bank	\$131,669.58	2.22% demand	
NE Liquid Asset Fund - Building Fund	\$793,225.63	4.67% demand	
Checking Minden Exchange Bank	\$4.50		
(Balance October 31, 2023 = \$1,874,923.99)			
BOND FUND			\$2,257,628.28
Money Market Minden Exchange Bank	\$1,606,348.00	2.78% demand	
NE Liquid Asset Fund - Bond Fund	\$651,280.28	4.67% demand	
(Balance October 31, 2023 = \$2,199,904.14)			
LUNCH FUND			\$34,753.60
Money Market First Bank	\$1,882.36	1.52% demand	
Checking First Bank	\$32,871.24		
(Balance October 31, 2023 = \$97,257.96)			
FUNDS PLEDGED FOR DEPOSITS			
Minden Exchange Bank	\$6,500,000.00	Plus 250M FDIC	
First Bank	\$2,065,000.00	Plus 250M FDIC	

Scott W. Johnson, Treasurer

MINDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
TREASURER'S REPORT SUPPLEMENT
ACCOUNT RECONCILIATIONS
October 31, 2024

Bank	Account #	Beginning Balance	Plus: Receipts	Plus/(Minus) Transfers	Minus: Expenditures	Ending/ Reconciled Balance	Previous Year Ending Balance
General Fund							
MEB	401505	\$308,824.58	\$689,381.58	\$300,000.00	\$1,087,997.58	\$210,208.58	\$194,151.67
MEB	601096	\$2,254,255.79	\$4,790.42	(\$300,000.00)	\$0.00	\$1,959,046.21	\$1,583,126.60
FB&T	801472	\$1,344,707.76	\$2,512.95	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,347,220.71	\$1,311,710.74
	Subtotal	\$3,907,788.13	\$696,684.95	\$0.00	\$1,087,997.58	\$3,516,475.50	\$3,088,989.01
Depreciation Fund							
MEB	401919	\$5.19	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5.19	\$5.19
MEB	613109	\$130,053.43	\$303.75	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$130,357.18	\$124,170.98
FB&T	807982	\$48,651.73	\$78.92	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$48,730.65	\$47,719.43
	Subtotal	\$178,710.35	\$382.67	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$179,093.02	\$171,895.60
Building Fund							
MEB	106690	\$4.50	\$0.00	\$466,616.83	\$466,616.83	\$4.50	\$4.50
MEB	603209	\$9,640.68	\$93,087.10	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$102,727.78	\$377,030.03
FB&T	801407	\$131,423.98	\$245.60	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$131,669.58	\$162,393.44
NLAF	9300655	\$1,255,876.96	\$3,965.50	(\$466,616.83)	\$0.00	\$793,225.63	\$1,335,496.02
	Subtotal	\$1,396,946.12	\$97,298.20	\$0.00	\$466,616.83	\$1,027,627.49	\$1,874,923.99
Bond Fund							
MEB	620112	\$1,508,478.66	\$97,869.34	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,606,348.00	\$1,625,460.84
NLAF	9300692	\$650,571.63	\$708.65	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$651,280.28	\$574,443.30
	Subtotal	\$2,159,050.29	\$98,577.99	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,257,628.28	\$2,199,904.14
Lunch Fund							
FB&T	801399	\$1,879.95	\$2.41	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,882.36	\$71,627.85
FB&T	990119	\$66,381.95	\$20,225.40	\$0.00	\$53,736.11	\$32,871.24	\$25,630.11
	Subtotal	\$68,261.90	\$20,227.81	\$0.00	\$53,736.11	\$34,753.60	\$97,257.96
Grand Total		\$7,710,756.79	\$913,171.62	\$0.00	\$1,608,350.52	\$7,015,577.89	\$7,432,970.70

2024/25 Projections vs. Actuals for General Fund

As of October 31, 2024

Income

2024/25 Budgeted Income = \$12,932,949.51

Month	Projected Income	Actual Income	Over/(Under) Projection	Running Balance Over/(Under) Projection
September	\$2,411,995.08	\$2,221,400.50	(\$190,594.58)	(\$190,594.58)
October	\$576,809.55	\$696,218.56	\$119,409.01	(\$71,185.57)
November	\$236,672.98			
December	\$240,552.86			
January	\$2,060,218.86			
February	\$977,730.98			
March	\$856,161.26			
April	\$633,714.53			
May	\$3,330,234.50			
June	\$1,188,538.06			
July	\$222,446.73			
August	\$197,874.13			

Cash Flow

Month	Projected Cash Flow	Actual Cash Flow	Over/(Under) Projection	Running Balance Over/(Under) Projection
September	\$1,046,909.03	\$983,596.94	(\$63,312.09)	(\$63,312.09)
October	(\$582,120.65)	(\$391,312.63)	\$190,808.02	\$127,495.93
November	(\$886,040.65)			
December	(\$882,160.77)			
January	\$955,613.51			
February	(\$170,055.66)			
March	(\$260,980.59)			
April	(\$544,716.90)			
May	\$2,217,271.48			
June	\$10,106.63			
July	(\$872,408.00)			
August	(\$1,027,917.43)			

Expenses

2024/25 Budgeted Expenses = \$13,929,449.51

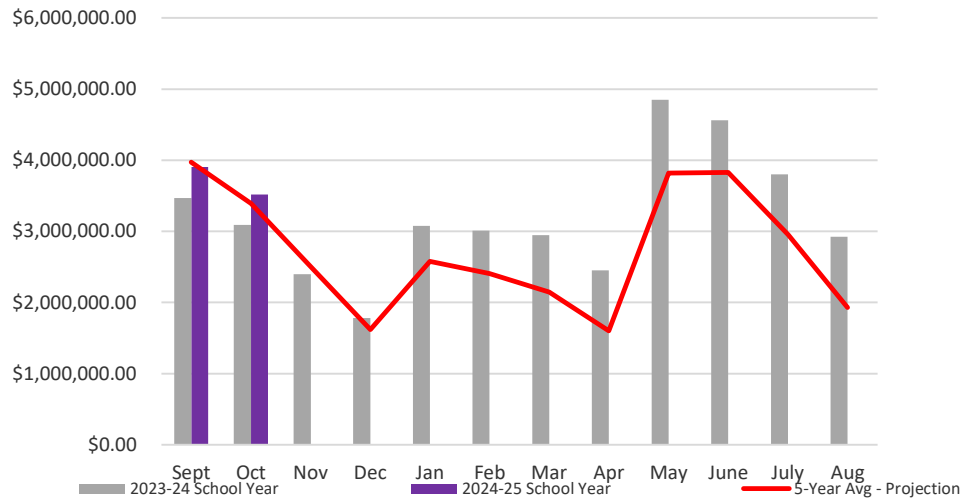
Month	Projected Expenses	Actual Expenses	Over/(Under) Projection	Running Balance Over/(Under) Projection
September	\$1,365,086.05	\$1,237,803.56	(\$127,282.49)	(\$127,282.49)
October	\$1,158,930.20	\$1,087,531.19	(\$71,399.01)	(\$198,681.50)
November	\$1,122,713.63			
December	\$1,122,713.63			
January	\$1,104,605.35			
February	\$1,147,786.64			
March	\$1,117,141.85			
April	\$1,178,431.43			
May	\$1,112,963.02			
June	\$1,178,431.43			
July	\$1,094,854.73			
August	\$1,225,791.56			

General Fund Balance

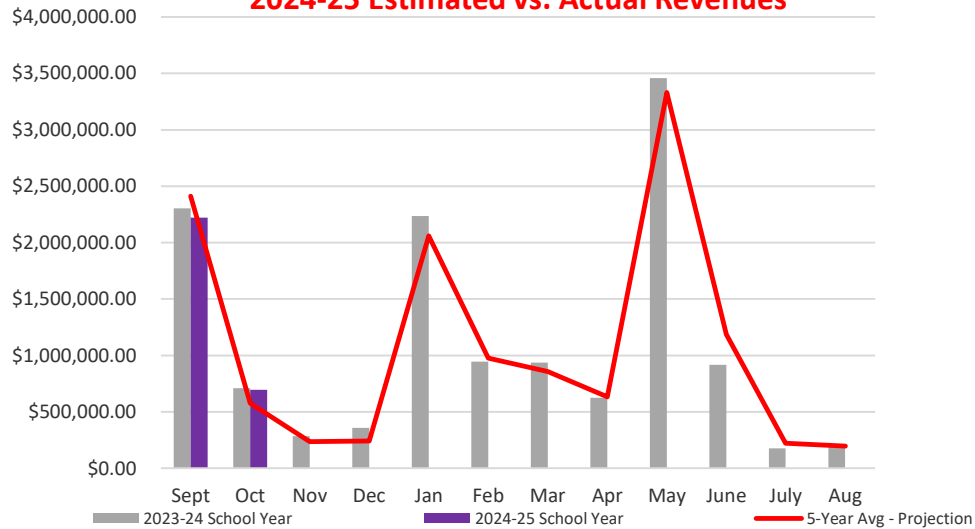
Beginning Reconciled GF Balance = \$2,924,191.19

Month	Projected GF Balance	Actual Reconciled GF Balance	Over/(Under) Projection
September	\$3,971,100.22	\$3,907,788.13	(\$63,312.09)
October	\$3,388,979.57	\$3,516,475.50	\$127,495.93
November	\$2,502,938.92		
December	\$1,620,778.15		
January	\$2,576,391.66		
February	\$2,406,336.00		
March	\$2,145,355.41		
April	\$1,600,638.51		
May	\$3,817,909.99		
June	\$3,828,016.62		
July	\$2,955,608.62		
August	\$1,927,691.19		

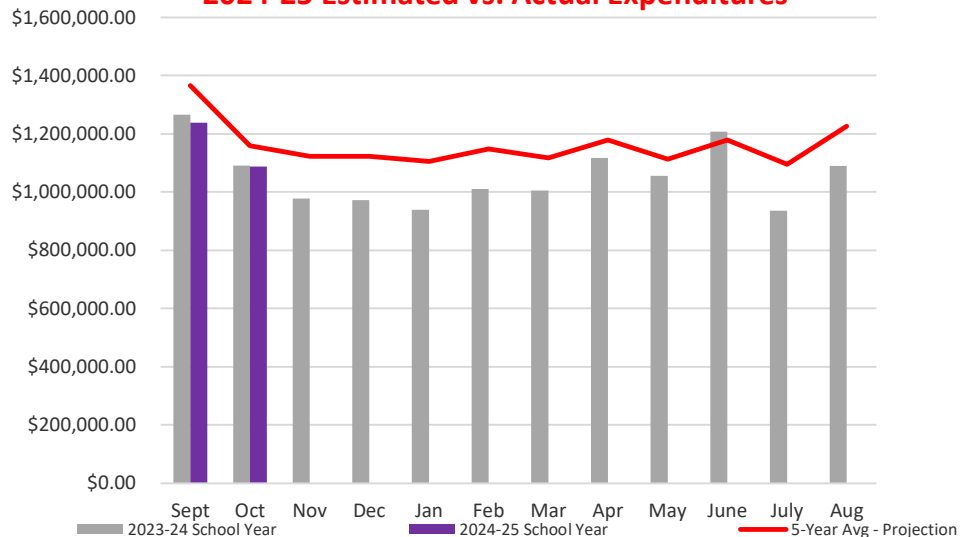
2024-25 Estimated vs. Actual General Fund Balance



2024-25 Estimated vs. Actual Revenues



2024-25 Estimated vs. Actual Expenditures



General Fund Revenues - Thru 10/31/24

Account Description	Adopted Budget	Received	Remaining Balance	Percent Received
01100 - Taxes Levied/Assessed	\$9,248,379.51	\$511,031.44	\$8,737,348.07	5.53%
01115 - Carline Taxes	\$3,500.00	\$0.00	\$3,500.00	0.00%
01120 - Public Power District Sales Tax	\$35,000.00	\$0.00	\$35,000.00	0.00%
01125 - Motor Vehicle Taxes	\$425,000.00	\$35,441.87	\$389,558.13	8.34%
01140 - Penalty & Interest on Delinquent Taxes	\$14,250.00	\$3,250.40	\$10,999.60	22.81%
01370 - Preschool Tuition and Fees	\$20,000.00	\$6,140.00	\$13,860.00	30.70%
01510 - Interest	\$40,000.00	\$14,702.85	\$25,297.15	36.76%
01910 - Rental of School Facilities & Equipment	\$1,000.00	\$25.00	\$975.00	2.50%
01911 - Local License Fees	\$3,750.00	\$0.00	\$3,750.00	0.00%
01920 - Contributions and Donations	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	0.00%
01921 - Police Court Fines	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	0.00%
01990 - Miscellaneous Local Revenue	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	0.00%
02110 - County Fines & License Fees	\$20,000.00	\$3,659.94	\$16,340.06	18.30%
03110 - State Aid	\$1,288,194.00	\$257,638.00	\$1,030,556.00	20.00%
03120 - Special Education - School Age	\$1,300,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,300,000.00	0.00%
03180 - Pro-Rate Motor Vehicle	\$20,000.00	\$247.48	\$19,752.52	1.24%
03400 - State Apportionment	\$116,250.00	\$0.00	\$116,250.00	0.00%
03535 - High Ability Learners Payments	\$7,292.00	\$0.00	\$7,292.00	0.00%
03551 - Career (CTE) Education	\$7,500.00	\$0.00	\$7,500.00	0.00%
04417 - IDEA Part B Transition	\$0.00	\$458.12	(\$458.12)	
04505 - "ESSA Title I, Part A"	\$121,797.00	\$43,493.00	\$78,304.00	35.71%
04509 - "ESSA Title II, Part A"	\$23,011.00	\$0.00	\$23,011.00	0.00%
04516 - IDEA Preschool Base (619)	\$2,438.00	\$0.00	\$2,438.00	0.00%
04518 - IDEA Part B (611) Base & E-P Allocation	\$187,164.00	\$23,638.00	\$163,526.00	12.63%
04521 - IDEA Non-Public	\$1,124.00	\$0.00	\$1,124.00	0.00%
04523 - IDEA Special Projects	\$0.00	\$900.00	(\$900.00)	
04525 - Carl Perkins Grant	\$2,000.00	\$2,198.05	(\$198.05)	109.90%
04708 - Medicaid in Public Schools (MIPS)	\$20,000.00	\$8,069.43	\$11,930.57	40.35%
04709 - Medicaid Administrative Activities (MAAPS)	\$17,500.00	\$2,595.06	\$14,904.94	14.83%
05300 - Sale of Property	\$5,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$4,000.00	20.00%
05690 - Other Non-revenue Receipts	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	0.00%
Total	\$12,932,949.51	\$914,488.64	\$12,018,460.87	7.07%

General Fund Expenditures

Account Description	Adopted Budget	Disbursed	Remaining Balance	Percent Spent
01100 - Regular Instruction	\$6,309,337.33	\$1,519,381.37	\$4,789,955.96	24.08%
01125 - Academic Intervention (Flex Funding)	\$101,221.20	\$24,739.36	\$76,481.84	24.44%
01200 - School Age SPED	\$1,655,276.51	\$405,409.33	\$1,249,867.18	24.49%
01291 - Preschool Age 3-5	\$43,215.26	\$10,560.97	\$32,654.29	24.44%
01292 - Preschool Age 0-2	\$125.00	\$0.00	\$125.00	0.00%
01300 - Summer School	\$21,244.67	\$845.11	\$20,399.56	3.98%
02120 - Guidance Counselor	\$321,403.99	\$80,582.86	\$240,821.13	25.07%
02130 - Health Services	\$88,410.38	\$22,549.73	\$65,860.65	25.51%
02141 - School Psychologist - School Age	\$128,362.12	\$30,714.39	\$97,647.73	23.93%
02151 - Speech Path & Deaf Ed	\$224,174.98	\$46,792.03	\$177,382.95	20.87%
02152 - Speech Path & Deaf Ed	\$1,400.00	\$486.00	\$914.00	34.71%
02153 - Speech Path & Deaf Ed	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	0.00%
02161 - Occupational Therapy	\$47,750.00	\$6,601.50	\$41,148.50	13.83%
02171 - Physical Therapy	\$15,500.00	\$2,166.75	\$13,333.25	13.98%
02172 - Physical Therapy	\$4,000.00	\$222.75	\$3,777.25	5.57%
02173 - Physical Therapy	\$1,500.00	\$141.75	\$1,358.25	9.45%
02190 - Student Activities	\$391,317.71	\$71,130.55	\$320,187.16	18.18%
02212 - Instruction & Curriculum Development	\$0.00	\$495.00	(\$495.00)	
02213 - Instructional Staff Training	\$20,000.00	\$671.88	\$19,328.12	3.36%
02220 - Media Center	\$278,117.37	\$71,170.01	\$206,947.36	25.59%
02230 - Technology Support	\$160,957.25	\$43,581.69	\$117,375.56	27.08%
02240 - Assessment Coordinator	\$18,751.67	\$2,748.84	\$16,002.83	14.66%
02310 - Board of Education	\$48,100.00	\$4,058.71	\$44,041.29	8.44%
02320 - Superintendent	\$326,012.72	\$81,164.60	\$244,848.12	24.90%
02330 - District Legal Services	\$30,000.00	\$1,964.75	\$28,035.25	6.55%
02410 - Principal	\$672,776.15	\$174,639.46	\$498,136.69	25.96%
02510 - Business Office	\$227,262.61	\$49,416.38	\$177,846.23	21.74%
02610 - Custodial	\$512,350.00	\$241,765.47	\$270,584.53	47.19%
02620 - Building Maintenance	\$1,026,081.90	\$239,829.58	\$786,252.32	23.37%
02630 - Grounds Maintenance	\$224,217.25	\$43,375.65	\$180,841.60	19.35%
02640 - Equipment Repair & Maintenance	\$28,792.75	\$6,687.85	\$22,104.90	23.23%
02650 - Non-Pupil Vehicle	\$6,500.00	\$606.44	\$5,893.56	9.33%
02660 - Security	\$77,500.00	\$10,150.58	\$67,349.42	13.10%
02670 - Safety	\$48,900.00	\$3,366.77	\$45,533.23	6.89%
02710 - School Bus Driving	\$262,720.64	\$77,330.45	\$185,390.19	29.43%
02712 - School Age SPED Driving	\$4,960.02	\$72.96	\$4,887.06	1.47%
02713 - Below Age 5 SPED Driving	\$12,388.68	\$2,284.36	\$10,104.32	18.44%
02730 - School Bus Driving Vehicle Maintenance	\$84,205.39	\$12,112.42	\$72,092.97	14.38%
02732 - School Age SPED Vehicle Maintenance	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	0.00%
03535 - High Ability Learners	\$49,256.23	\$9,040.52	\$40,215.71	18.35%
03551 - Career (CTE) Education	\$4,325.00	\$0.00	\$4,325.00	0.00%
06200 - Title IA	\$154,808.00	\$38,339.36	\$116,468.64	24.77%
06406 - IDEA Preschool (619) Base Allocation	\$2,438.00	\$1,053.00	\$1,385.00	43.19%
06408 - IDEA Part B (611)	\$187,163.99	\$61,010.28	\$126,153.71	32.60%
06412 - IDEA Non-Public	\$1,124.74	\$0.00	\$1,124.74	0.00%
06415 - IDEA Special Projects	\$0.00	\$898.22	(\$898.22)	
06417 - IDEA Part B Transition	\$0.00	\$299.45	(\$299.45)	
06700 - Carl Perkins	\$2,000.00	\$180.00	\$1,820.00	9.00%
08000 - Transfers (Outgoing)	\$100,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	50.00%
09000 - Reimbursed by Other Funds/Entities	\$0.00	\$1,401.05	(\$1,401.05)	
Total	\$13,929,449.51	\$3,452,040.18	\$10,477,409.33	24.78%

Bank Statement Reconciliation

Description

Adjustment Date

Adjustment Amount

Minden High School Activities 10/01/2024 through 10/31/2024

Bank Statement Reconciliation Summary

Statement Balance	\$ 446,520.50
- Outstanding checks	\$ 17,018.26
+ Outstanding Deposits	\$ 0.00
+ Outstanding Adjustments	\$ 0.00
- Outstanding Investment Transfers	\$ 0.00
Total	\$ 429,502.24
+ Investments	\$ 37,000.00
Book Balance	\$ 466,502.24

Checks For Payment Listing

Date	Check Number	Payee	Reason	Amount
11/12/2024	5420	Ameritas Life Insurance Corp.	Ameritas Tsa	\$ 400.00
11/12/2024	5421	Ameritas Life Insurance Corp..	Vision Insurance	\$ 1,191.32
11/12/2024	5422	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District Dental Insurance	\$ 164.46
11/12/2024	5422	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District HDHP Health Ins 2PT	\$ 4,222.02
11/12/2024	5422	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District HDHP Health Ins 9 Mo	\$ 1,440.88
11/12/2024	5422	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District HDHP Health Ins FAM	\$ 15,034.80
11/12/2024	5422	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District HDHP Health Ins SNG	\$ 2,743.68
11/12/2024	5422	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District Health Ins 2PT	\$ 35,962.52
11/12/2024	5422	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District Health Ins 9 Mo	\$ 12,600.00
11/12/2024	5422	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District Health Ins FAM	\$ 96,230.45
11/12/2024	5422	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District Health Ins SNG	\$ 6,353.76
11/12/2024	5422	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District Health Ins SPD	\$ 5,774.64
11/12/2024	5422	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District Health Ins Split	\$ 1,634.66
11/12/2024	5422	Blue Cross Blue Shield	Feba Bcbs Dental 2PT	\$ 893.70
11/12/2024	5422	Blue Cross Blue Shield	Feba Bcbs Dental FAM	\$ 2,031.03
11/12/2024	5422	Blue Cross Blue Shield	Feba Bcbs Dental SPD	\$ 127.85
11/12/2024	5423	Credit Management Services, Inc.	Kearney County Court CMSI	\$ 400.44
11/12/2024	5424	Horace Mann Life Insurance Company	Horace Mann Life Insurance	\$ 1,275.00
11/12/2024	5425	Madison National Life Insurance Co., Inc.	Feba Life Insurance	\$ 228.71
11/12/2024	5425	Madison National Life Insurance Co., Inc.	Long-Term Disability	\$ 1,397.79
11/12/2024	5425	Madison National Life Insurance Co., Inc.	Term Life Policy	\$ 491.55
11/12/2024	5426	Minden Exchange Bank & Trust Co.	HSA Contribution	\$ 5,608.52
11/12/2024	5427	Minden Public Schools	District Court	\$ 330.00
11/12/2024	5427	Minden Public Schools	F/b Dependent Care	\$ 4,753.37
11/12/2024	5427	Minden Public Schools	F/b Medical Dental	\$ 5,088.39
11/12/2024	5427	Minden Public Schools	Increased Retirement Percent	\$ 15,691.40
11/12/2024	5427	Minden Public Schools	NE Retirement	\$ 106,470.24
11/12/2024	5428	Minden Public Schools.	Computer Lease Purchase	\$ 466.39
11/12/2024	5429	Mps Payroll	Federal Withholding	\$ 47,632.35
11/12/2024	5429	Mps Payroll	FICA	\$ 78,094.00
11/12/2024	5429	Mps Payroll	Medicare	\$ 18,263.90
11/12/2024	5430	Mps Payroll NE Income Tax	State Withholding - NE	\$ 21,143.57
11/12/2024	5431	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	Air Compressor Hose	\$ 7.76
11/12/2024	5431	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	Cork Bulletin Board	\$ 69.59
11/12/2024	5431	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	Customized ID Lanyards & Drone Motor	\$ 331.66
11/12/2024	5431	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	East Translator Devices	\$ 703.07
11/12/2024	5431	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	Fire Extinguisher Boxes and Signs	\$ 2,006.76
11/12/2024	5431	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	HS Parking Lot Signs	\$ 104.99
11/12/2024	5431	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	HS Parking Lot Signs & Badge Holders	\$ 115.96
11/12/2024	5431	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	HS Translator Devices	\$ 674.97
11/12/2024	5431	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	Large Inkjet Printer Printheads	\$ 383.70
11/12/2024	5431	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	MS Translator Devices	\$ 674.97
11/12/2024	5431	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	Visitor Parking Signs	\$ 149.82
11/12/2024	5432	American Speech-Language Hearing Association	2024 ASHA Convention Registration	\$ 99.00
11/12/2024	5433	ASK Supply Co.	Bus Barn Supplies	\$ 325.00
11/12/2024	5433	ASK Supply Co.	East & MS Flexible Seating	\$ 35,906.00
11/12/2024	5434	Aurora Cooperative	Fuel	\$ 5,888.10
11/12/2024	5435	Bill's Plumbing	East Drain Cleaning	\$ 75.00
11/12/2024	5435	Bill's Plumbing	MS Drain Clearing	\$ 105.00
11/12/2024	5436	Black Hills Energy	Bus Barn Natural Gas	\$ 59.10
11/12/2024	5436	Black Hills Energy	EAST Natural Gas	\$ 696.33
11/12/2024	5436	Black Hills Energy	HS/MS Natural Gas	\$ 2,627.79

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Date	Check Number	Payee	Reason	Amount
11/12/2024	5436	Black Hills Energy	MS Activities Building Natural Gas	\$ 460.83
11/12/2024	5437	CenturyLink	Telephone Services	\$ 439.51
11/12/2024	5438	City Of Minden	Preschool House Electricity Disconnect	\$ 361.48
11/12/2024	5438	City Of Minden	Rental House Electricity Disconnect	\$ 361.48
11/12/2024	5438	City Of Minden	Rental House Water Disconnect	\$ 231.13
11/12/2024	5438	City Of Minden	Utilities	\$ 19,879.86
11/12/2024	5439	Clearly	Telephone Services	\$ 819.94
11/12/2024	5440	Cornerstone Electric	Electrical Repairs	\$ 460.75
11/12/2024	5441	Eakes Office Solutions	Carpet Extractor	\$ 3,736.00
11/12/2024	5441	Eakes Office Solutions	Custodial Supplies	\$ 2,809.76
11/12/2024	5441	Eakes Office Solutions	MS Restroom Dispensers	\$ 1,791.43
11/12/2024	5442	Educational Service Unit #10	Power School Hosting Fees	\$ 173.00
11/12/2024	5442	Educational Service Unit #10	The Golden Thread of Transition	\$ 25.00
11/12/2024	5443	Educational Service Unit #11	Tech Support	\$ 2,121.30
11/12/2024	5444	Elan Financial Services	Business Office Newspaper Subscription	\$ 31.99
11/12/2024	5444	Elan Financial Services	Counselor Academy Registration	\$ 180.00
11/12/2024	5444	Elan Financial Services	HS Ag Class Seeds	\$ 82.55
11/12/2024	5444	Elan Financial Services	HS Web/Cloud Based Software	\$ 5.00
11/12/2024	5444	Elan Financial Services	MS Water Cooler Repair	\$ 391.50
11/12/2024	5444	Elan Financial Services	NATS Conference Registration	\$ 153.75
11/12/2024	5445	Family Physical Therapy & Sports Center, P.C.	OT/PT/SLP Services	\$ 6,905.25
11/12/2024	5446	Fifth Street Printing	Envelope Printing	\$ 33.00
11/12/2024	5447	Hometown Leasing	Copier & Printer Lease	\$ 3,855.49
11/12/2024	5448	Jim's OK Tire Minden, LLC	Bus 20C Tire Mounting	\$ 64.00
11/12/2024	5448	Jim's OK Tire Minden, LLC	Bus 21P Drive Tires	\$ 2,006.96
11/12/2024	5449	John Deere Financial	Power Washer Repair	\$ 74.78
11/12/2024	5450	Johnson Hardware Company, LLC	HS Door Repairs	\$ 1,866.00
11/12/2024	5450	Johnson Hardware Company, LLC	MS Door Locks & Keys	\$ 1,665.00
11/12/2024	5451	Kansas City Audio-Visual, Inc.	Boxlite Projector Mounting Tracks	\$ 2,157.00
11/12/2024	5452	Kelsey Krieger	Marching Band Drill Routines	\$ 1,000.00
11/12/2024	5453	Kurita America, Inc.	HS Colling Tower Chemical Pumps	\$ 1,137.31
11/12/2024	5453	Kurita America, Inc.	HS Colling Tower Chemicals	\$ 1,256.98
11/12/2024	5454	Landmark Implement Carquest	Bus 21P Bulb	\$ 6.69
11/12/2024	5454	Landmark Implement Carquest	Bus 21P Repair	\$ 9.99
11/12/2024	5455	Loveless Machine & Grinding	Blade Sharpening	\$ 456.80
11/12/2024	5456	Mason's Market	2nd Grade Supplies	\$ 68.41
11/12/2024	5456	Mason's Market	Custodial Supplies	\$ 6.36
11/12/2024	5456	Mason's Market	East SPED Supplies	\$ 21.62
11/12/2024	5456	Mason's Market	Foods Class Supplies	\$ 372.07
11/12/2024	5456	Mason's Market	HS Ag Class Supplies	\$ 83.68
11/12/2024	5456	Mason's Market	HS Life Skills Supplies	\$ 139.30
11/12/2024	5456	Mason's Market	Kindergarten Supplies	\$ 19.76
11/12/2024	5456	Mason's Market	MS Life Skills Supplies	\$ 19.03
11/12/2024	5456	Mason's Market	MS Science Supplies	\$ 4.98
11/12/2024	5456	Mason's Market	Preschool Supplies	\$ 37.53
11/12/2024	5457	Matheson Tri-Gas, Inc.	HS Metals Gas	\$ 154.33
11/12/2024	5458	Mechanical Sales, Inc.	MS HVAC Repair	\$ 6,026.98
11/12/2024	5459	Mid-Nebraska Aggregate, Inc.	Landscaping Rock	\$ 2,371.25
11/12/2024	5460	Minden Hardware	Supplies & Repairs	\$ 290.48
11/12/2024	5461	Mps Lunch Fund M.s.	Transfer to Lunch Fund	\$ 50,000.00
11/12/2024	5462	Napa Auto Parts	Power Washer Nozzles	\$ 25.47
11/12/2024	5462	Napa Auto Parts	Power Washer Repair	\$ 405.97

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Date	Check Number	Payee	Reason	Amount
11/12/2024	5462	Napa Auto Parts	Van 12V2 Battery	\$ 199.99
11/12/2024	5463	NCSA	Fall NETA Conference Registration	\$ 145.00
11/12/2024	5463	NCSA	NCSA Dues	\$ 435.00
11/12/2024	5463	NCSA	NE School Safety & Security Summit	\$ 345.00
11/12/2024	5464	Ne Association School Boards	State Education Conference	\$ 2,316.00
11/12/2024	5465	Nebraska Central Equipment	Bus 22P Repair	\$ 172.31
11/12/2024	5466	Nebraska Safety Center	Level II Transportation Course	\$ 100.00
11/12/2024	5467	Omnify Benefits	COBRA and FSA Fees	\$ 140.30
11/12/2024	5468	One Source	Background Checks	\$ 132.00
11/12/2024	5469	Prairie View Roofing and Development, LLC	MS Soffit	\$ 5,734.03
11/12/2024	5470	Presto-X Company	Pest Control Services	\$ 186.60
11/12/2024	5471	Rapid Fire Protection, Inc.	Bus Barn Fire Sprinkler Inspection	\$ 275.00
11/12/2024	5472	REK Enterprises,	Concrete Buggy Rental	\$ 165.00
11/12/2024	5473	Sweeney, Bryce E.K.	Van 23V2 Fuel	\$ 49.40
11/12/2024	5474	Syndicate Publishing, LLC	Board Legal Notices	\$ 71.73
11/12/2024	5474	Syndicate Publishing, LLC	Employment Advertising	\$ 68.00
11/12/2024	5475	Trade Well Pallet, Inc.	East Playground Woodchips	\$ 2,090.00
11/12/2024	5476	Verizon Wireless	Wireless Hot Spot Data Plan	\$ 160.04
11/12/2024	5477	Village Uniform	East Mop and Mat Service	\$ 146.11
11/12/2024	5477	Village Uniform	HS Mop and Mat Service	\$ 479.30
11/12/2024	5477	Village Uniform	MS Mop and Mat Service	\$ 348.72
11/12/2024	5478	Ward's Science	HS Ag Class Supplies	\$ 146.31
11/12/2024	5479	Widdifield, James T	October Reimbursement	\$ 622.11
11/12/2024	5480	William Macgill Co	Nurse Office Recovery Couch	\$ 1,573.85
11/12/2024	5481	Woodward's Disposal Service, Inc.	Shredding Service	\$ 60.00
11/12/2024	5482	WorkMed Midwest PA	Bus Driver Drug Testing	\$ 40.00
11/12/2024	EFT	Minden Exchange Bank - EFT	Direct Deposit Fees	\$ 35.20
11/12/2024	EFT	Wright Express Fleet Services	Station Fuel Purchases	\$ 1,413.87
Subtotal				\$ 679,855.56
Net Payroll - November 2024				\$ 446,849.87
Total General Fund Disbursements - November 2024				\$ 1,126,705.43

Secretary Kevin Raun

Lunch Fund Checks and Liabilities

Check Number	Date	Payee	Reason	Amount
EFT	10/7/2024	Sysco - EFT	Commodities	\$ 2,082.94
EFT	10/7/2024	US Foods	Commodities	\$ 6,303.71
6010	10/7/2024	Dollar General	Lunch Room Supplies	\$ 13.45
6011	10/7/2024	Hiland Dairy	Milk Products	\$ 4,049.61
6012	10/7/2024	LinPepCo Partnership	Beverages	\$ 1,164.25
6014	10/7/2024	Village Uniform	Kitchen Apron and Rag Service	\$ 309.70
6015	10/7/2024	Cash-wa Distributing Co.	Commodities	\$ 16,322.27
6017	10/7/2024	Apple Acres Orchard	Apples	\$ 540.00
513	11/12/2024	Ameritas Life Insurance Corp..	EE Vision Insurance Premiums	\$ 58.20
514	11/12/2024	Blue Cross Blue Shield	Health & Dental Insurance Premiums	\$ 6,126.74
515	11/12/2024	Madison National Life Insurance Co., Inc.	EE FEBA Life Insurance Premiums	\$ 7.79
515	11/12/2024	Madison National Life Insurance Co., Inc.	EE Life Insurance Premiums	\$ 14.65
515	11/12/2024	Madison National Life Insurance Co., Inc.	Long Term Disability	\$ 22.60
516	11/12/2024	Minden Public Schools	EE & ER Retirement Contributions	\$ 2,924.49
516	11/12/2024	Minden Public Schools	Employee FEBA - Medical/Dental	\$ 208.34
517	11/12/2024	Mps Payroll	EE & ER FICA, Medicare, & Federal Income Tax	\$ 3,107.28
518	11/12/2024	Mps Payroll NE Income Tax	EE Nebraska Income Tax Withholding	\$ 365.81
Subtotal				\$ 43,621.83
Net Payroll - November 2024				\$ 12,722.32
Total Lunch Fund Disbursements				\$ 56,344.15

Building Fund Liabilities

Check Number	Date	Payee	Reason	Amount
632	11/12/2024	914 Coating, LLC	East Roof Recoating (Remainder of Roof)	\$70,000.00
633	11/12/2024	American Fence Co. of Kearney, Inc.	South FB Field Fence Rebuild and Gate Addition	\$7,794.76
634	11/12/2024	CMBA Architects	HS Parking Expansion - 99.44% Complete	\$815.61
634	11/12/2024	CMBA Architects	MS Front Entry & Remodel - 99.44% Complete	\$3,262.45
Total Building Fund Disbursements - November 2024				\$81,872.82

Internal Board Policies - OrganizationStanding Committees

It shall be the policy of Minden Public Schools that the following will be the standing committees of the Board of Education:

1. Negotiations Committee
2. Committee on American Civics
3. Transportation/Facilities
4. Finance Committee
5. Policy Committee
6. Legislation Committee

It shall further be the policy of Minden Public Schools that the Superintendent shall appoint the members of the above committees.

Legal Reference: Neb. Rev. Stat. Sec. 79-724
Neb. Rev. Stat. Sec. 79-520

Date of Adoption: July 8, 2019
Date Reaffirmed: March 8, 2021

**Minden Public Schools
C.L. Jones Middle School
November 6, 2024
Report to the Board of Education
Mrs. Chelsey Jensen, Administrator**

The following information is a list of highlights at C.L. Jones Middle School:

Whippet of the Month Awards-

Each month, staff will select students to nominate with the title of **“Whippet of the Month”**. The names of these students will be placed into a drawing. At the end of the month, Mrs. Jensen/ Mr. Rowse will draw 1-3 names from each grade level to recognize their outstanding character, behavior, and academic performance.

The students who are nominated must meet the following criteria;

Academic Performance: Active class participation, demonstrates academic progress, and gives his/her best effort.

Character: Displays one or more of the following: Compassion, respect, responsibility, kindness towards others, willingness to help others, and trustworthiness.

Behavior: Follows school rules/policies to be safe, shows respect toward peers and staff, is well-mannered, and maintains a positive attitude toward others.

Congratulations to our November Whippets of the Month: Harper Aspegren, Elizabeth Kuehn, Hudson Pohl, Isabel Gardner, Aiden Gottsch, Brianna Guido Avalos, Ayden Barnes-Murphy, Liam Collins, Drew Craig, Lexie Anderson, Kennedy Eckhardt, Hunter Vahl, Isaak Van Pool, Tatum Delira, Luke Livingston, Brinley Pohl, Tyson Thompson.

Tri-State Regional Special Education Law Conference-

Mrs. Reimers, Mrs. Sis, and I are excited to attend the Tri-State Regional Special Education Law Conference in Omaha on November 7-8. This conference is designed for a wide range of attendees, including general education teachers, special education professionals, service providers, parents, advocates, attorneys, and others involved in developing and supporting special education services for children with disabilities. It offers valuable insights into recent updates to special education policies and procedures.

Veterans Day Program 2024-

The Veterans Day Program will occur on November 11th, 2024 at 9:00 A.M. in the high school gymnasium.



Annual Costume Parade-

Our annual costume parade took place on 10/31/2024 at 7:55 a.m. in the CLJ gym for 4th and 5th grade students, with 6th through 8th graders attending as spectators. It was a fun and festive way to kick off the day! All students and staff in grades 4-8 were invited to wear their costumes throughout the day.

Whippet Pack Families-

Whippet Pack family meetings are in full swing! These groups consist of a mix of students from grades 4 through 8, and they meet twice a month to strengthen relationships between students and staff. Our next meeting is scheduled for 11/11/24, and it will focus on team-building activities designed to help students discover shared interests and commonalities. We look forward to these enjoyable family group sessions!

Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) Testing- The NWEA MAP Test (Measures of Academic Progress) is an adaptive assessment designed to measure both achievement and growth. It personalizes the test by adjusting the difficulty of questions based on each student's responses. If a student answers a question correctly, the test will present a more challenging one. If the student answers incorrectly, the test will provide an easier question. This adaptive format helps provide valuable insights into what your student knows and what they are ready to learn.

Winter MAP testing for 4th through 8th-grade students will take place from December 4, 2024, to January 26, 2025. Students will be tested in mathematics, reading, language usage, and science.

CLJMS Student Council-

Our CLJMS Student Council hosted a food drive. The items collected were donated to stock to the Minden Little Free Pantry. Way to give back to the community, Student Council!

CLJMS Parent Advisory Committee (PAC)-

We are incredibly grateful for the amazing group of parent volunteers who support our staff and students at CLJMS. The time and effort this group dedicates to organizing building activities, providing meals for staff during conferences, and assisting with countless other tasks is truly remarkable. Our current PAC members include Lindsay Buechler, Kelli Carey, Carli Oberg, Kate Craig, Valarie Grollmes, Hailey Rhynalds, and Whitney Eden. Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 11, 2024. A huge thank you to this dedicated group for their continued support of our students and staff at CLJMS!

After School Study Hall-

After-school study hall is available for all CLJMS students Monday through Thursday from 3:30- 4:00 p.m. This is a great opportunity for students to get extra academic support in any subject area.



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**NOVEMBER 2024 BOARD MEETING
MIDDLE SCHOOL ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL/ATHLETIC DIRECTOR REPORT**

In the past month our fall sport seasons ended so coaches have filled out end of the season reports that provide information such as participants names, inventory, missing equipment, schedule results, equipment needs for next season, summary of the season, and ways to help the program improve. The middle school has now transitioned into second quarter sports which means our girls are playing basketball and our boys are wrestling. We host 2 seventh grade girls basketball games, 3 eighth grade girls games, and 3 wrestling invites. At this time we have 18 girls in 7th grade basketball and 9 girls on the 8th grade girls team. We have 19 wrestlers on our 7th-8th grade boys team.

In late August and early September I spent considerable time observing and evaluating teachers with walk-throughs in the middle school. I am now starting round two of walk-throughs and enjoying being in the classroom with teachers and their students. I feel that improving ourselves within our craft as administrators, teachers, paraprofessionals, coaches, etc. is an important part of modeling to our students that we are also lifelong learners. I am impressed with our teachers and paraprofessionals because of their dedication to our students and staff and their love for their students. The new evaluation program we purchased has been a great addition to the process of evaluating staff. At first it was a challenge to find what I was looking for but with a couple training sessions and a very good help desk I am finally feeling confident and really like this new system.

On October 17th Mr. Horner, Mr. Arner (SRO), and myself attended a safety summit in Kearney. We normally attend a safety summit once or twice a year to stay up on improvements or changes that we could implement into our school safety plan. Our hope is that we are prepared if ever needed but hope we never need to use it. We also had our Safe School External meeting with our other safety stakeholders: Minden City Police, Minden VFD, Kearney County Emergency Management Director, as well as our school representatives. These meetings are very important to make sure we are on the same page and always looking to make our communication with all these groups more efficient.

With the fall sports season over I sent out contracts for the fall sports we will host next fall. I hope to get all the contracts returned soon so I can plan our schedules for next fall and start filling contracts for officials for those contests. I am fortunate to have officials from around the area for our fall sports.

We are hoping to get the rest of the middle school renovations finished soon. We still have some door issues with hardware and a few adjustments to the latches but it's getting close to finished.

Ed Rowse

Minden High School

November 2024

Board of Education Report



Dear Members of the Board,

As October draws to a close, I am pleased to share the highlights and successes that have defined this busy month at Minden High School. From the conclusion of our fall activities season to the start of winter sports and arts events, our students have shown exceptional commitment and enthusiasm.

Conclusion of Fall Activities and Start of Winter Season:

This year's fall activities season was truly outstanding, with our students excelling in various sports and extracurricular competitions. Their dedication, coupled with strong community support, has made this fall season a memorable one. As we transition into winter, our students are eagerly preparing for basketball, wrestling, speech, One-Act Play, and other winter activities. We look forward to their continued accomplishments in the months ahead.

Launch of the One-Act Play Season:

The One Act Play season is officially underway, with over 80 students participating. This remarkable level of involvement reflects the strong interest in the performing arts within our student body. We anticipate an exciting performance season that will showcase our students' creativity and talents.

FCCLA, FBLA, and FFA Food Drive – Trick or Treating for Canned Goods:

On October 24, the FCCLA, FBLA, and FFA organizations organized a community-wide "Trick or Treating for Canned Goods" event. In just one hour, our students collected an impressive 660 pounds of canned goods. Afterward, they sorted and dated the donations, preparing them for delivery to The Closet. On October 29, our Agribusiness class transported the items and spent time assisting with inventory and organizing additional donations collected by the middle school. This event demonstrated our students' commitment to supporting those in need and contributing positively to the community.

Seniors Preparing for the Future:

Our senior class has begun taking steps toward their next chapter, with many students starting college visits, completing college applications, and even submitting early scholarship applications. This is an exciting time for our seniors, and we are committed to supporting them as they explore their future paths.

Acknowledgments and Appreciation:

As we look back on a successful fall season, I want to express our gratitude to everyone who played a part in making it all possible. Our students have thrived with the support of parents, family members, and community volunteers who encouraged and cheered them on. We appreciate our custodians, bus drivers, concession stand volunteers, and all those who work behind the scenes to ensure every game, practice, and event goes smoothly. The dedication of our staff, coupled with the contributions of so many in the community, is what makes Minden High School such a supportive and dynamic place for our students.

Have a great November !



Minden Public School Board of Education Report

November 2024



Sandy Pohl, East Elementary and Minden Public Preschool Principal

Classroom Updates:

Mrs. Kim Olson recently updated the inventory of the East Elementary library. Our current count of books available for checkout is 7,817. This number represents the variety and magnitude of the opportunities available to our children when checking out literature.

Our third grade readers spent each Monday afternoon in October reading with the residents of Bethany Home. It is impossible to tell who enjoys themselves more; the residents or the students.

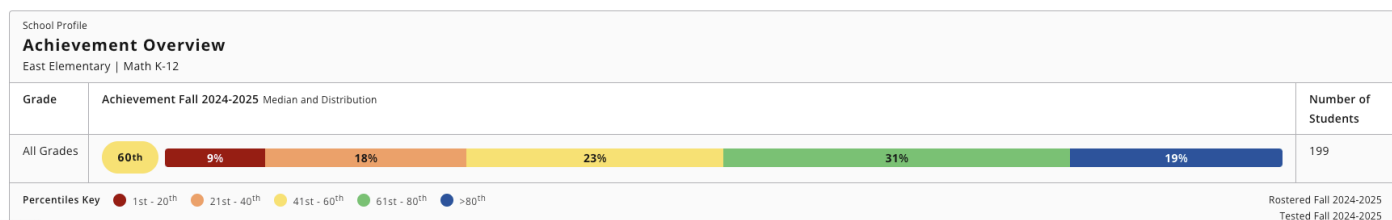
Congratulations to Mrs. Carly Miller and her husband who welcomed a new baby girl into their family. We're grateful to have Mrs. Katie Craig as our long term substitute teacher in kindergarten.

Our preschoolers host Mrs. Pam Johnson's high school child development class. Through the high schoolers interactions with our young children, they learn about typical developmental stages of early childhood.

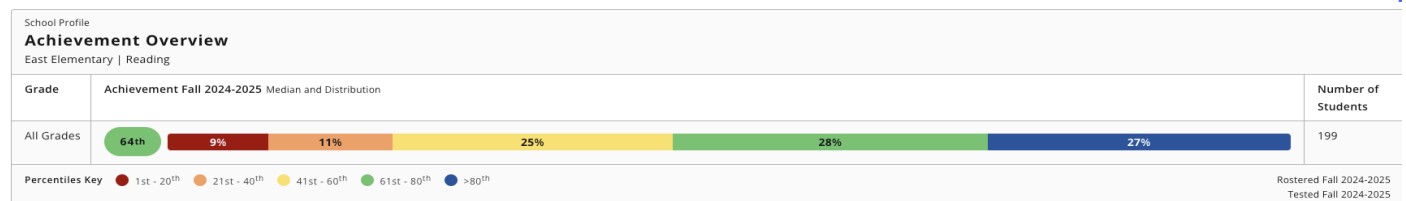
Fall Measurement of Academic Progress Data Snapshot:

The following charts display all students' proficiencies in the areas of math and reading as well as which percentile they scored in during the fall testing session.

East Elementary



East Elementary



Teacher Recognition:

Mrs. Lori Rowley has taught in the Minden Public School district for seventeen years. She spends her days sharing her certification of being a reading teacher, provides Gifted and Talented Education opportunities for qualifying students, and of course spreads her musical talents with students as well. You're invited to hear Mrs. Rowley and her kindergarten and first grade students in action at the December 9th music program in the performing arts center.



Mrs. Jennifer Muller has taught in the Minden Public School district for twenty-two years. She has served various roles such as coach, MEA representative, executive committee member, and currently a second grade teacher. After school, you can often find her serving as a middle school basketball bookkeeper unless it's the first snow of the year. In that case, she'll be completing her twenty-two year tradition of hopping on her desk when the first snowflake flies. These are the kinds of memories that last a lifetime with students.



Mrs. Katie Schmidt is completing her eleventh year of teaching with Minden Public Schools. Katie is currently a first grade teacher and serves on Mr. Widdifield's executive committee. She is a whippet through and through. If Katie is not attending one of her children's Whippet activities, she is likely volunteering to be a libero tracker, ticket taker, etc.



Mrs. Lisa Maulsby is completing her sixteenth year of teaching with Minden Public Schools. She is a first grade teacher who is known for her kindness and warm ways with children. She leads the East Elementary courtesy committee making sure our staff is well taken care of.



Mrs. Kerri Harsin has been a teacher for twenty-two years and is currently a second grade teacher. She serves as our Student Assistance Coordinator and is a representative on Mr. Widdifield's executive committee. Kerri also serves as our building-wide tooth puller so if a child has a loose tooth to be pulled they are sent directly to Mrs. Harsin. Just more memories students make within East Elementary.



Early Childhood Efforts:

In partnership with the Minden Chamber of Commerce, the Growing Little Whippets Community For Kids group hosted a lunch and learn at the Minden Opera House. Thirty-seven attendees listened to a representative

from First Five Nebraska discuss the economic impact of early childhood care on local businesses. Attendees learned more about state and local policy change, tax incentives, and how to partner together for the good of local businesses and childcare.



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NOVEMBER 2024 BOARD MEETING ACTIVITY DIRECTOR REPORT

GENERAL:

Now that we have reached the month of November, we are wrapping up all of our fall activities. The softball team finished the second season of the coop with a loss to the eventual State Runner Up Hastings High at sub districts. The softball girls had a very positive experience and continued to build for the future. The Trailblazer softball team finished the season with an overall 11-19 record. The MHS cross country team had another fantastic season from start to finish. The squad wrapped up their season at the State Championship meet in Kearney with both the boys and girls teams qualifying as whole teams! The girls finished 4th overall as a team at the state meet and the boys finished in 12th! Alexa Warner was a medalist at state finishing in 11th place! The MHS football team finished their season at Cozad with a hard fought loss to the Haymakers. The team played well and fought through several injuries all season long. With an overall record of 3-6, the Whippets competed with intensity in each game with 5 of the 8 opponents being playoff caliber and state ranked teams. The MHS volleyball team qualified for the state championships for the third consecutive season! As of the time of this report, the volleyball team was victorious in their first round match against Gothenburg and are slated to play Kearney Catholic in the semi finals!!

Girls Golf: For the third consecutive season, the girls golf team finished as the Class C State Runners Up! This is truly a special accomplishment for our program. At the state meet it was completely a 2 team race between Wayne and Minden who separated from the rest of the teams and were nearly 50 strokes clear of the third place team. Kara Suchsland claimed the individual State Championship while Kaylynn Jorgensen was the individual silver medalist! The future is extremely bright for our girls golf program moving forward!

Softball Coop Update:

I also want to provide the board of education with an update on the status of our coop for softball. As a reminder, all sports cooperative agreements are based on two year cycles. We need to renew the softball coop before next season. The current status of the coop is a bit in limbo due to the status of Holdrege High School. Following the completion of the season, the Holdrege Activity Review Committee made the decision not to continue with the coop. The administration at Holdrege was given the directive to communicate with Minden and Adams Central that Holdrege would no longer be a part of the Hwy 6 Trailblazer softball coop. It is my understanding that this decision has now been reconsidered, and the Holdrege board of education is going to take action on whether to allow Holdrege to continue with the coop at their November meeting. Minden High School was and still is committed to continuing the softball coop as we feel this gives our student athletes the best chance to field a team and have a quality experience. We have received feedback from many parents and players who have expressed the positive impact the coop has brought to the softball program. We hope to continue the great partnership we have started to build with Holdrege High School and Adams Central High School over the past two years.

WINTER SEASON OUTLOOK:

Winter practices for high school sports can officially begin on Monday November 18th. We will also have our parents meetings for girls basketball, boys basketball, girls wrestling, and boys wrestling on the 18th at 6:30 PM. We are looking forward to the winter sports seasons for basketball and wrestling!

Preliminary numbers for each program are as follows:

*Girls Basketball: 18

*Boys Basketball: 22

*Girls Wrestling: 27
*Boys Wrestling: 30

The MHS Band completed a fantastic marching band season on October 26th. Some highlights from this season include:

- 2nd place in the Class B Harvest of Harmony Parade. The band's score also tied them for 5th place out of 82 bands in the parade that day.
- An Excellent rating in the Harvest of Harmony Field Show Competition. Their score was 0.4 points from a Superior and one of the highest scores the band has had in the last 13 seasons at this competition.
- A Superior in the Minden Bandfest parade and an Excellent in the field show competition
- A Superior at the NSBA State Marching Band Festival. This is the 2nd Superior rating for the band at this competition in the last 4 years.

A special thank you to everyone who has supported the band program as we continue to work hard and improve. We hope to see lots of you at the soup supper and concert in December.

Jason Strong

Superintendent Report

Meeting: November Board Meeting

Date: 11/11/24

Mr. Widdifield

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Topics:

Veterans Day Program: A big Thank You to all our Veterans and the service they have given to our country. I would also like to thank all the people that helped out today; band and choir did an outstanding job, MS and HS student council were outstanding, and the breakfast by FCCLA was amazing. Thanks to Ms. Oberg, Mr. Nichols, Mrs. Emery, and the custodians for setting up the program.

NDE AQuESTT Result: We typically would have information to share with the Board and public about our district and results for the 23-24 school year. This information is embargoed until November 27th. I plan to have the State of Schools Report for the Board and the public in December.

Fall Activities: Thanks to the coaches, staff, and community for volunteering their time for our activities. All of our sports and activities had great success this fall. Thanks to Mr. Strong, Mr. Rowse, and the admin team for making these events possible.

Winter Activities: High school winter sports officially start on November 18th. One Act has had a couple of competitions already. Junior High sports have been going on for a week. We have several students who are involved in multiple activities. We are proud of them and the effort they put into everything they do. We have a participation percentage that many schools would love to have. We have a poster of students in the commons who are three sport and/or three activity participants. We have a lot of kids on that poster.

Thank You: To our coaches and sponsors for fall activities and athletics. We could not ask for a better group to guide and mentor our students. I am thankful for all they do!

Bylaws of the Board - Bylaws, Policies and RegulationsFormulation, Adoption, Amendment of Policies

Policy proposals and suggested amendments to or revisions of existing policies shall normally be submitted to all members of the Board of Education by the Superintendent in writing prior to a regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting in which such proposed policies, amendments, or revisions thereof shall be read and discussed.

Policies will be adopted or amended after consideration at two (2) meetings of the Board of Education. The agenda and minutes shall be marked to indicate policy matters.

The formal adoption of policies shall be by majority vote of all members of the Board of Education and the actions shall be recorded in the minutes of the Board of Education. Only those written statements so adopted and so recorded shall be regarded as official policy.

Policies shall be reviewed at least every two (2) years or at such other periodic time periods as may be required by law.

Reference: Robert's Rules of Order

Date of Adoption: December 15, 2009

Date Reaffirmed: March 8, 2021

Business OperationsEmergency Response Mapping

Minden Public Schools will provide mapping data to public safety agencies to respond to emergencies. The mapping data will be provided in an electronic or digital format and will contain all information identified in state statute and as reasonably requested by the public safety agencies.

At least annually, the District will certify to the appropriate public safety agencies that the mapping data provided is accurate or, if the information has changed, provide them with updated mapping data.

Legal Reference: LB 1329 (2024)

Date of Adoption: [Insert Date]

Minden Public Schools

- Audit Presentation
- For the Year Ended August 31, 2024



Dana F. Cole and Company, LLP

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- Unmodified opinion in audit report (pages 1-4)
- This is the best opinion that a District can receive as a result of an audit and speaks highly of your District, of you as board members, and of your staff.
- It means that in our opinion, the financial statements are fairly presented in all material respects in accordance with the modified cash basis of accounting.

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- Government-Wide Financials - (pages 5-7)
- This is a combined statement of all funds and provides financial information relating to specific District activities.
- It shows where the entire District received its resources from, and disbursements by District activities, as well as changes in asset balances.

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- Statement of Activities

(pages 5-7)

	8/31/24	8/31/23
Charges for Services	\$649,157	\$638,892
Operating grants	\$1,710,368	\$1,336,048
General receipts	\$15,318,750	\$13,377,873
Disbursements	\$16,831,783	\$14,510,765
Change in net position	\$846,492	\$842,048

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Fund Balances (Summary)

		8/31/2024	8/31/2023	Change
	General*	4,929,321	4,559,820	369,501
	Depreciation*	178,323	171,221	7,102
	School Nutrition**	87,697	81,530	6,167
	Bond	2,155,068	2,107,991	47,077
	Building	2,207,413	1,840,437	366,976
	Activity Fund**	423,694	374,025	49,669
TOTAL FUND BALANCES		<u>9,981,516</u>	<u>9,135,024</u>	<u>846,492</u>

* Reported as General Fund on Fund Statements with details on pages 26-29.

** Reported as Other governmental funds on Fund Statements with details on pages 30-31.

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General Fund (Summary)

	8/31/2024	8/31/2023	Change
Support and Revenue			
Local Sources and taxes	9,040,169	9,481,859	(441,690)
County sources	34,234	25,059	9,175
State sources	3,563,260	1,789,667	1,773,593
Federal sources	377,947	523,217	(145,270)
Other sources	<u>21,635</u>	<u>3,644</u>	<u>17,991</u>
	<u>13,037,245</u>	<u>11,823,446</u>	<u>1,213,799</u>
Expenses			
Educational expenses	7,561,204	6,891,010	670,194
Support services	3,547,814	3,170,620	377,194
Administrative services	985,626	987,192	(1,566)
State and federal programs	383,100	610,239	(227,139)
Transfers	<u>190,000</u>	<u>144,400</u>	<u>45,600</u>
	<u>12,667,744</u>	<u>11,803,461</u>	<u>864,283</u>
Change in fund balance	<u><u>369,501</u></u>	<u><u>19,985</u></u>	<u><u>349,516</u></u>

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General Fund Balance Reserve

The current reserve ratio to operating expenses for the past six years is shown below:

2016-2017	5.4 months
2017-2018	5.2 months
2018-2019	5.2 months
2019-2020	5.4 months
2020-2021	4.9 months
2021-2022	4.8 months
2022-2023	4.7 months
2023-2024	4.7 months

Over the past several years, the fund balance in the general fund has remained steady around \$4.5 million. We recommend that at least a 3 month reserve be maintained as levied property taxes are not due until December 31st of the current year. Reserve ratio has remained steady which shows strong financial position.

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Bond Fund (Summary)

Debt Service requirements for each pf the next five years is a little more than \$1.7 million for principal and interest. The full disclosure can be read in Note 6 to the financial statements

Fund Balance

End of year balance

2,155,068

Tax amount levied for 2024

1,702,165

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- Schedules of General Fund Components

(Pages 26-29)

- General Fund and Depreciation Fund - These two funds comprise the General Fund on the Fund statements.

- Schedules of Nonmajor Funds (pages 30-31)

- Includes funds of School Nutrition Fund, Student Fee fund, and Activities Fund

- Schedules of Receipts and Disbursements – Budget and Actual (pages 32-44)

- All funds within adopted and/or amended budgets (if applicable)

- Activities Fund (page 45-47)

- Summary of the changes in cash balances by Activity (unaudited).
- Compares Receipts and Expenses to Budget in total for Activity Fund.

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Independent Auditors' Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on and Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with Government Auditing Standards. (pages 48 - 49)

Summary of Findings Reported (page 50)

The findings related to segregation of duties are normal for a District this size. However, we do recommend that the District implement certain controls and review processes to further assist in ensuring that the District records report accurate financial information.

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General Items

- We had no recommended adjusting entries.
- We noted no unauthorized transactions.
- District staff were prepared and organized for our audit procedures.
- We encountered no difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.
- District staff were courteous and pleasant to work with and we appreciate all their hard work.