

**MULLEN BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**MINUTES**  
**July 11, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Mullen School Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Liza Simonson She announced that the Open Meetings Act is posted on the west wall. Board members in attendance were **Present:** Mike French, Dane Peterson, Casey Phillips, Liza Simonson, Patrick Wright, **Absent:** Travis Hampton. Also present were 3 administrators, \_\_ staff, \_\_ students, and \_\_ patrons

Motion by Dane Peterson, second by Patrick Wright to approve the minutes from the June 12, 2023 Regular Board Meeting. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: Absent

yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

Motion by Mike French, second by Dane Peterson to approve the minutes from the June 12, 2023 Regular Board Meeting. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: Absent

yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

Motion by Mike French, second by Dane Peterson to approve the agenda, and verify that notice of the meeting was published in the Hooker County Tribune, and posted according to board policy. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: Absent

yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

Motion by Casey Phillips, second by Dane Peterson to approve the contract with Corwin Press, Inc for professional development provided by Ricky Robertson to be supplemented by the Nebraska Department of Education mental health grant funding. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: Absent

yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

Motion by Dane Peterson, second by Casey Phillips to approve the membership for Mullen Public Schools with the Nebraska Rural Community Schools Association. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: Absent

yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

Motion by Casey Phillips, second by Mike French to Approval of the following July claims: Payroll \$239,258.00 , General Fund \$31,887.97, Lunch Fund \$248.03, Special Building Fund \$117.04, Depreciation Fund \$64,705.00, and June Activity Fund \$13,122.46. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: Absent

yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

Motion by Dane Peterson, second by Casey Phillips to approve the review of Policy 5018 Parental Involvement. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: Absent

yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

Motion by Casey Phillips, second by Dane Peterson to approve the revisions to Policy 5045 Student Fees. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: Absent

yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

Motion by Dane Peterson, second by Casey Phillips to approve the review of Policy 5057 District Title 1 Parent and Family Engagement. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: Absent

yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

Motion by Casey Phillips, second by Mike French to approve the review policy 5001 Compulsory Attendance and Excessive Absenteeism and policy 5054 Student Bullying. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: Absent

yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

Motion by Mike French, second by Dane Peterson to approve the 2023-2024 Mullen Public School Handbooks for K-12 Students, K-12 Staff, and Activities as amended. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: Absent

yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

Motion by Patrick Wright, second by Casey Phillips to approve the MPS Pandemic Plan and Procedures for the 2023-2024 school year. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: Absent

yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

Motion by Casey Phillips, second by Dane Peterson to approve the propane bid of \$1.20 from Neal Oil for 35,000 gallons of propane prepaid on September 1, 2023. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: Absent

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As soon as the next month's meeting notice is posted on the Mullen Public Schools website, an agenda will be available for public inspection on both the school website and on the SPARQ meetings site.

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Chris Kuncl, Recording Secretary