

**MULLEN BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**MINUTES**  
**February 12, 2024**

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, Travis Hampton, Dane Peterson, Casey Phillips, Liza Simonson, Patrick Wright. Also present were 3 administrators, \_\_ staff, \_\_ students, and \_\_ patrons

Motion by Mike French, second by Dane Peterson to approve the minutes from the January 8, 2024 Regular Board Meeting. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: yes  
yes: 6, no: 0

Motion by Dane Peterson, second by Travis Hampton to approve the local substitute teaching requests for Mollie Finney and Kari Mills. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: yes  
yes: 6, no: 0

Motion by Travis Hampton, second by Dane Peterson to approve the 2024 membership with the Nebraska Association of School Boards. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: yes  
yes: 6, no: 0

Motion by Mike French, second by Casey Phillips to approve the payment to Rutts Mechanical Services for repairs to the elementary HVAC system. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: yes  
yes: 6, no: 0

Motion by Casey Phillips, second by Travis Hampton to approve the following technology purchases using the remaining ESSER III grant funding. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: yes  
yes: 6, no: 0

Motion by Casey Phillips, second by Mike French to Approval of the following February claims: Payroll \$287,291.36, General Fund \$53,704.43, Lunch Fund \$6,218.02, and January Activity Fund \$13,771.60.

Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: Abstain (With Conflict), Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: yes  
yes: 5, no: 0, Abstain (With Conflict): 1

Motion by Mike French, second by Travis Hampton to approve the following 2024-2025 contracts with ESU 16: Special Education & School Age Contract, the Mental Health Services Contract, and the Southwest Nebraska Distance Education Network Contract. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: yes  
yes: 6, no: 0

Motion by Dane Peterson, second by Casey Phillips to approve the 2024-2025 principal contracts for Mike Kvanvig and Brett Mauler. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: yes  
yes: 6, no: 0

Motion by Patrick Wright, second by Mike French to approve the issuance of 2024-2025 contracts to non-supervisory certified staff. Motion carried.

Casey Phillips: yes, Dane Peterson: yes, Liza Simonson: yes, Mike French: yes, Patrick Wright: yes, Travis Hampton: yes  
yes: 6, no: 0

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