

Board of Education Meeting
Stapleton Public Schools
District 57-0501
May 11, 2026

President Burnside called the regular meeting of the Stapleton Public Schools Board of Education to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, May 11, 2026, in the library at Stapleton Public Schools.

President Burnside observed Open Meeting Law requirements.

Rich Burnside: Present, Mr Chance Connell: Present, Frank F. Kramer: Present, Kim Kramer: Present, Kristy Opela: Present, Rex Walz: Present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited; the board vision and goals were read aloud.

Notice of the meeting was published in the Stapleton Enterprise on Thursday, May 7, 2026, and posted at five local businesses along with notice to the president of the board and all members prior to the meeting date.

President Burnside asked if there was any public comment and referred to the guidelines in the agenda.

Jon Walz, Chelsey Myers, Duane McClain, Jenni Joedeman and Patty Stewart addressed the Board regarding concerns with students leaving the district, low attendance, bullying, athletic participation, low morale, housing shortage and attending the monthly board meetings. It was stated that there are remarkable teachers and high academics. The School Foundation Kentucky Derby night was a great success. The primary focus was providing a fun event to thank the community for their generous donations in the past. Even with everything going on and low attendance over \$11,000 was raised through a raffle and some auction items to support staff needs and scholarships.

Moved by Kramer, seconded by Opela, to approve the April 13, 2026, Regular Board Meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Burnside: Aye, Connell: Aye, Kramer: Aye, Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Walz: Aye

Moved by Opela, seconded by Kramer, to approve the claims as presented. Motion carried.

Burnside: Aye, Connell: Aye, Kramer: Aye, Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Walz: Aye

The treasurer's report was presented by Superintendent Redinger.

The Building and Ground met on May 4th and discussed current and pending projects. New gym lights have been installed and looked at gym flooring that will be replaced this summer.

Safety Committee will meet in May.

Bryan Regier gave his Community Liaisons' report which included: April chamber meeting, community clean-up day with classes cleaning designated areas, community garage sales on June 14 and Chamber BBQ on August 2nd.

The Activities Director's report included the following: update on spring sports, hosted a successful Dave Blevins Track Meet with an amazing job performed by staff and students that helped, a meeting held with Tryon and Stapleton athletes and coaches today after school to discuss future participation, boys basketball coaching position, district track on May 13th and district golf on May 18th.

7-12 Principal report included: completed NSCAS testing, prom, community clean-up day, FFA officer interviews, All-Academic senior list, district music contest, Science of Reading meetings, meeting with UNL engineering rep, FFA banquet and secondary spring music concert. Thank you to Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. Schrock and Mrs. Weems and their families, plus volunteers that helped with prom. Thank you to community members Kim Kramer, Josh Allen and Chelsey Myers for helping with FFA officer interview. Congratulations to Mr. Regier for a good job with students at district music contest, with multiple Superior(s) and Excellent(s) awarded. Congratulations to Tucker Housman, Rhoshykee Bruns, Ellexis Hagan and James Heinemann for making the All-Academic list with their ACT scores.

PK-6 Principal Isom reported on the following: Science of Reading training, Create the Love of Reading Program, Dibels with mClass, IEPs/MDTs/ELPA21, NSCAS testing results, changes for next year, spring music program tomorrow night that is always wonderful and preschool graduation with 8 students.

Superintendent Redinger's report presented information on the following: NASB Board Retreat on June 30th, staff appreciation luncheon with school board members invited will be held on Friday, May 15th and a practice track grant is available. Thank you to the Foundation for all their effort and their generosity. Also, thank you to the Community for Kids for help with daycare for our community. Thank you to those patrons that use the complaint procedure process that the district has. It is very beneficial to help things move in a positive direction. We completed our climate survey for the school which included staff and students.

There was a data breach with Canvas that we use at the school which has emails and names. Moved by Connell, seconded by Walz, to approve revision of Board of Education Policy 3047: Data Breach Response as presented. Motion carried.

Burnside: Aye, Connell: Aye, Kramer: Aye, Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Walz: Aye

The Board held discussion regarding the inclusion of prayer as part of school board meetings.

Walz said that he has asked that this be included before the meetings. Moved by Walz, seconded by Connell, to start school board meetings with a prayer. Motion Failed.

Burnside: Nay, Connell: Aye, Kramer: Nay, Kramer: Aye, Opela: Nay, Walz: Aye

The Board held discussion regarding the design of the main gym floor. Moved by Kramer, seconded by Connell, to approved the design of the main gym floor with natural wood except for area between 3 point line and the lane which will be the darker brown. Motion carried.

Burnside: Aye, Connell: Aye, Kramer: Aye, Kramer: Aye, Opela: Aye, Walz: Aye

The Board discussed the future of athletic programs and student enrollment.

The next regular board meeting will be held on Monday, June 15, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. in the library at Stapleton Public Schools.

President Burnside adjourned the meeting at 8:33 p.m.

Kim Kramer, Secretary