

Board of Education Regular Meeting

Monday, April 14, 2025 7:00 PM
Palmer Schools, Conference Room
202 Commercial Street
Palmer, NE 68864

Attendance Taken at 7:00 PM.

Brian Friedrichsen: Present
Daniel Hake: Present
Heather Shotkoski: Present
Justin Valasek: Present
Todd Weller: Present
Kathy Wolfe: Present

1. Call to Order

Motion to call meeting to order at 7:00 pm passed with a motion by Todd Weller and a second by Brian Friedrichsen.

Brian Friedrichsen: Yea, Daniel Hake: Yea, Heather Shotkoski: Yea, Justin Valasek: Yea, Todd Weller: Yea, Kathy Wolfe: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

1.1. Declaration of Legal Meeting

1.2. Open meetings law is posted in Board Room

1.3. Notice of Public Meeting, Posted

Meeting notice published in the Palmer Journal 4/10/25.

1.4. Act on Absent Members (if any)

2. Welcome Visitors and Guests

Gretchen B.-Handshake finalists all did well, upcoming extra curricular activities, MAPs testing. Teha T.-HAL projects. PEA: Mrs. Samuelson-6th grade classroom activities, upcoming science fair. Mrs. Harrahill-Secondary reading curriculum preparing well for testing.

3. Consent Agenda

Motion to approve consent agenda items passed with a motion by Todd Weller and a second by Justin Valasek.

Brian Friedrichsen: Yea, Daniel Hake: Yea, Heather Shotkoski: Yea, Justin Valasek: Yea, Todd Weller: Yea, Kathy Wolfe: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

3.1. Approval of Agenda

3.2. Treasurer's Report

3.3. Minutes of previous board meeting(s) (corrections to minutes as presented)

3.4. Act on option enrollment request(s)

3.5. Accept/approve technology profile

4. Claims

4.1. General Fund

Motion to approve the claims passed with a motion by Daniel Hake and a second by Heather Shotkoski.

Brian Friedrichsen: Yea, Daniel Hake: Yea, Heather Shotkoski: Yea, Justin Valasek: Yea, Todd Weller: Yea, Kathy Wolfe: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	1,682.09
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	4,239.85
BOMGAARS	125.94
CENTRAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE - COLUMBUS	80.00
CLEARFLY	373.64
COMPUTER HARDWARE INC.	537.00
CULLIGAN	133.90
DOBSON, KAYLA	204.02
EAKES OFFICE SOLUTIONS	4,700.58
EMERGENT 3	1,500.00
ESU 6	75.00
ESU 7 SPED	13,882.92
ESU 7	1,220.80
FIREHOUSE REPAIR LLC	7,711.26
GARFIELD, JANE	55.28
GENERAL FUND CLEARING ACCOUNT	100.50
GLAUSE, NATHAN	97.65
GO PHYSICAL THERAPY	3,702.20
GREEN, JAIME	80.40
HD SUPPLY formerly HOME DEPOT PRO	559.36
HEARTLAND DISPOSAL R/O	688.61
HEARTLAND TESTING & CONSULTING, LLC	640.00
HERRICK, KYNDSAY	150.91
HOMETOWN LEASING	177.53
HOWARD COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER	6,790.00
ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO	19.84
JW PEPPER & SON, INC.	113.67
KSB SCHOOL LAW	80.00
LEE ENTERPRISES	111.11
MCGRAW-HILL SCHOOL EDUCATION HOLDINGS	3,271.41
LLC	
Mcllnay & Company	756.30
MOTOR FUELS DIVISION	900.00
NASB	4,363.91

OMNIFY	36.00
PALMER JOURNAL	189.53
PALMER LOCAL MARKET, LLC	2,787.43
PALMER SERVICE CENTER	3,285.08
PRESTOX	254.43
PROTEX CENTRAL, INC.	868.00
REED'S DO IT BEST	90.06
SMITH WELDING	496.04
SOUTHERN PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	4,601.36
Wallaceburg Bookbinding & Mtg Co Ltd	174.82
WOODRUFF, PAYDEN	275.00
YOUNGER ELECTRIC	119.50
Fund Number	72,302.93
Checking Account ID	72,302.93

4.2. Other Funds

4.3. Board Member Claim (if any)

5. Reports

5.1. Property Tax Report

5.2. Principals' Reports

Mrs. Reimers: New electives, 2025-26 schedule, HS MTSS, and graduation update.

Mrs. Loeffelbein: End of year assessments, field trips, last House Day, K-6 concert, PK graduation, elementary field day, awards day, NSEA winner, focused monitoring meeting/findings letter, ILCD 3.0/TIP, C3 or B7 OSEP, Results Matter/OSEP data, Indicators (11 and 13), PEaK, CAP.

5.3. Superintendent's Report

Annual external safety review, report on teacher contracts returned, report of seniors' progression towards graduation, sign diplomas/honor certificates, 10th Annual 2PC Shake Competition, submitted the Civil Rights Data Collection report, Legislative update, Facilities Committee meeting, upcoming events.

6. Special Recognition

Motion to recognize those presented passed with a motion by Daniel Hake and a second by Brian Friedrichsen.

Brian Friedrichsen: Yea, Daniel Hake: Yea, Heather Shotkoski: Yea, Justin Valasek: Yea, Todd Weller: Yea, Kathy Wolfe: Yea

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Haley Santin NSEA Award for Teaching Excellence.

American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese, and its Nebraska chapter,

National Qualifier: Brady Myers

Local (Palmer)

Hand-drawn Division

1st Place: Marlea Donahey

2nd Place: Alaina Vlcek

3rd Place: Adrian Kanter

Digital Division

Tie for 1st Place: Abby Nielson and Brady Myers

3rd Place: Nevaeh Schleicher

Loup River Spanish Region (54 Entries)

Hand-drawn Division

2nd Place: Marlea Donahey

3rd Place: Alaina Vlcek

Tie for 4th Place: Adrian Kanter

Digital Division

Tie for 3rd Place: Abby Nielson and Brady Myers

UNL Language Fair: Marlea Donahey, Nevaeh Schleicher, Emilio Schleicher, and Bruno

Navarro won the Heritage Speaker division of Folk Dance. Alaina Vlcek won the Level 1 poster contest. Abby Nielson, Hensley Pearson, and Nevaeh Schleicher honorable mention (2nd place) in the Level 1 poster contest.

The Palmer FFA chapter was named a Nebraska Premier Chapter (top 20 in the state).

Emmerson Earl, Taylor Kurz, Mason, Makenna Mottl, Gatlin Reimers, and Grace Stromberg earned their State FFA Degrees.

Joseph Thede won the Automotive Technology proficiency area.

Livestock Management was 6th out of 49 teams (2nd in Swine & 4th in Beef).

Agriscience was 6th

Agricultural Mechanics was 8th

Nursery & Landscape was 9th

Jr. Livestock Judging was 12th

Natural Resources was 24th

New inductees in the National Honor Society: Chase Goerl, Adrian Kanter, William Scheer,

Owen Schwarz, Uriel Guzman, Eryn Gregoski, Addison Eckstrom, Noah Mueller, Rose Mamot.

District Speech - Gretchen Brown earned a 4th and a 5th place, Addison Eckstrom earned a 5th place.

WSC Middle School Festival Superior ratings, Class D All-State Honor Band, and Goldenrod Conference Superior ratings.

7. Public Input and Communication

8. Items of Business

8.1. Approve certified staff contract for SY25-26

Motion to approve certified staff contract passed with a motion by Brian Friedrichsen and a second by Heather Shotkoski.

Brian Friedrichsen: Yea, Daniel Hake: Yea, Heather Shotkoski: Yea, Justin Valasek: Yea, Todd Weller: Yea, Kathy Wolfe: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

8.2. Consider, discuss, take necessary action on classified employees' wages

Motion for dollar increase for all classified staff, except for 5% increase for Head Cook, Head Custodian, and Bookkeeper passed with a motion by Brian Friedrichsen and a second by Todd

Weller.

Brian Friedrichsen: Yea, Daniel Hake: Yea, Heather Shotkoski: Yea, Justin Valasek: Yea, Todd Weller: Yea, Kathy Wolfe: Yea

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8.3. Consider, discuss, take necessary action on Lease Agreement

Motion to approve lease agreement with Village with map added passed with a motion by Brian Friedrichsen and a second by Justin Valasek.

Brian Friedrichsen: Yea, Daniel Hake: Yea, Heather Shotkoski: Yea, Justin Valasek: Yea, Todd Weller: Yea, Kathy Wolfe: Yea

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8.4. Consider, discuss, take necessary action on pool demolition

Motion to approve the L&R Land and Tree bid passed with a motion by Brian Friedrichsen and a second by Daniel Hake.

Brian Friedrichsen: Yea, Daniel Hake: Yea, Heather Shotkoski: Yea, Justin Valasek: Yea, Todd Weller: Yea, Kathy Wolfe: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

8.5. Consider, discuss, take necessary action on science curriculum

Motion to approve the new science curriculum passed with a motion by Heather Shotkoski and a second by Justin Valasek.

Brian Friedrichsen: Yea, Daniel Hake: Yea, Heather Shotkoski: Yea, Justin Valasek: Yea, Todd Weller: Yea, Kathy Wolfe: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

8.6. Consider, discuss, take necessary action to review/revise Policies 607.10, 607.50, 610.01, 610.02, 611.01, 611.03, 611.04, 611.05, 611.06 (BP205.03)

Motion to approve policies as reviewed and revised passed with a motion by Todd Weller and a second by Brian Friedrichsen.

Brian Friedrichsen: Yea, Daniel Hake: Yea, Heather Shotkoski: Yea, Justin Valasek: Yea, Todd Weller: Yea, Kathy Wolfe: Yea

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9. Pending or Future Agenda Items

9.1. Discuss extra-duty assignments

9.2. Designate person to conduct district census

9.3. Annual review of facilities

9.4. Annual review of extra-curricular program

9.5. Master schedule/curriculum offerings

9.6. Report on completion of teacher/principal evaluations

9.7. Review/approve handbooks

9.8. Review Student Fees Policy (504.19)

10. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 8:19 pm passed with a motion by Brian Friedrichsen and a second by Daniel Hake.

Brian Friedrichsen: Yea, Daniel Hake: Yea, Heather Shotkoski: Yea, Justin Valasek: Yea, Todd Weller: Yea, Kathy Wolfe: Yea

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Board President

Board Secretary