

**NORTH CENTRAL AREA SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING**

Date/Time: Wednesday, February 19, 2025 6:00 PM CST

Location: North Central Jr/Sr High School Library

1. Meeting called to order by President Chris Fazer at 6:00 PM.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call:

A. PRESENT: Melissa Mercier, Kelly Plunger, Matt Bouty, Chris Fazer, Nathan Fleetwood,
Administration: Travis Depuydt - Superintendent/Elementary Principal, Amanda Norkoli
– Director of Online Learning/At-Risk Coord, Matt Wells - Maintenance/Transportation

B. TARDY:

C. ABSENT: Jordan St. John, Craig VanEnkevort

4. Agenda:

A. There were no items to be added or deleted.

B. There were no items to be excluded from the consent agenda to be dealt with individually.

C. Motion by Mercier, supported by Bouty to approve the agenda. Motion carried, 5-0.

5. Consent Agenda

A. Reports

i. CTE Update – Steve Martin gave an update on the county CTE program.
Potential to continue welding based on interest and ability to hire instructor.

ii. Transportation/Maintenance Directors Report: Mr. Wells gave his report

iii. Athletic Directors Report: Mr. Bianco gave his report.

iv. Director of Online Learning Report: Ms. Norkoli gave her report.

v. MS/HS Principals Report: Mr. Bianco gave his report.

vi. Superintendent/Elem. Principal Report: Mr. Depuydt gave his report.

B. Regular Board Meeting & Workshop Minutes:

- i. January 15, 2025 Organizational
- ii. January 15, 2025 Regular Meeting

C. Motion by Bouty, supported by Fleetwood to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried, 5-0.

6. Approval to pay the bills

A. Motion by Mercier, supported by Plunger to approve the payment of the January/February bills. Motion carried, 5-0.

General: \$47,830.31 Activity: \$1,034.23 Lunch: \$15,014.16

7. Action Items

A. Motion by Plunger, supported by Bouty to approve the hire of John Raab for the position of bus driver/maintenance. Motion carried, 5-0.

B. Motion by Bouty, supported by Fazer to approve the 2025-2026 calendar for North Central Area Schools. Motion carried, 5-0.

C. Motion by Bouty, supported by Plunger to approve the resignation of Tyler Mercier, Junior High Track Coach, effective immediately. Motion carried, 5-0.

D. Motion by Mercier, supported by Fleetwood to approve the NCAS E-Rate bid for technology improvements. Motion carried, 5-0

8. Public Comment

A. None

9. Board Discussion

A. CTE Update – Steve presented a document outlining countywide plans.

B. Budget update

- i. Transportation Plan – Reallocating funds to purchase a new/used bus – board is in support

ii. State/Federal Funding Update – Review of budget proposal is favorable for K-12 schools

C. Committee Meetings (Curriculum, Finance, Personnel) – Will meet at superintendent's request.

D. School Bond Update – Waiting on grant notice to decide what the next step is.

10. Other Business

A. None

11. Adjournment

A. Motion by Mercier, supported by Bouty to adjourn from the February 19, 2025 Regular Board of Education Meeting at 7:04PM. Motion carried, 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Plunger, Secretary