

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

Date/Time: Wednesday, April 16, 2025 6:00 PM CDT

Location: North Central Jr/Sr High School

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, Jordan St. John, Administration: Travis Depuydt - Superintendent/Elementary Principal, Donny Bianco – MS/HS Principal & Athletic Director, Amanda Norkoli – Director of Online Learning & At-Risk coordinator, Matt Wells - Maintenance/Transportation working supervisor.

B. TARDY:

C. ABSENT: Nathan Fleetwood, Craig VanEnkevort

4. Agenda:

A. Action Item D “Employee Retirement” will be added to the agenda.

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

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

5. Consent Agenda

A. Reports

- i. Steve Martin ISD Budget: Discussed the ISD budget CTE/Special Ed./General
- 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. March 19, 2025 Regular Meeting

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

6. Approval to pay the bills

A. Motion by Bouty, supported by Mercier to approve the payment of the March/April bills. Motion carried, 5-0.

General: \$28,629.21 Activity: \$2,422.67 Lunch: \$8,983.21 Debt: \$75.00

7. Action Items

A. Motion by Plunger, supported by Bouty to approve the hire of Darren Hicks as K-12 Music Teacher for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion carried, 5-0.

B. Motion by Mercier, supported by Bouty to approve the 2025-2026 Jr. High & High School class matrix. Motion carried, 5-0.

C. Motion by Plunger, supported by Mercier to approve the first reading of the 39-2 NEOLA Policies, rescind policy 2264, and revert back to policy 2266. Motion carried, 5-0.

D. Motion by Mercier, supported by Plunger to approve the retirement/resignation of Scott Farnsworth at the end of the 2024-2025 school year. Motion carried, 5-0

8. Public Comment

A. None

9. Board Discussion

A. ISD Board Election – Discussed upcoming ISD board election; VanEnkevort was nominated as the representative and Fazer as the reserve.

B. 12d Grant/Bond – No updates, waiting to hear from the state

C. Student Athletics – Discussed free student entry into games. Board in support.

- D. School Property – Fazer is going to talk to county about Felch property. Discussed idea of leasing the 40 on River Road.

10. Other Business

- A. Written: Thank you from the Auxiliary for using facilities

11. Adjournment

- A. Motion by Mercier, supported by Bouty to adjourn from the April 16, 2025 Regular Board of Education Meeting at 7:09 PM. Motion carried, 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Plunger, Secretary