

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

Date/Time: Wednesday, August 20, 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: Kelly Plunger, Melissa Mercier, Matt Bouty, Chris Fazer, Jordan St. John, Nathan Fleetwood

Administration: Travis Depuydt - Superintendent/Elementary Principal, Wendy Granquist – Board Appointed Secretary/Business Manager, Amanda Norkoli – Dir. Online Learning/At-Risk Coordinator

B. TARDY:

C. ABSENT: Craig VanEnkevort

4. Agenda:

A. 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 Plunger, supported by Mercier to approve the agenda. Motion carried, 6-0.

5. Consent Agenda

A. Reports

i. Transportation/Maintenance Directors Report: Dr. Depuydt gave the report

ii. Athletic Directors Report: Dr. Depuydt provided the written report

iii. Director of Online Learning Report: Ms. Norkoli provided her report

iv. MS/HS Principals Report: Dr. Depuydt provided the written report

- v. Superintendent/Elem. Principal Report: Dr. Depuydt gave his report.

B. Regular Board Meeting & Workshop Minutes:

- i. July 16, 2025 Regular Meeting
- ii. July 23, 2025 Special Meeting
- iii. August 11, 2025 Special Meeting

- C. Motion by Bouty, supported by St. John to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried, 6-0.

6. Bills

- A. Motion by Mercier, supported by Plunger to approve the payment of the bills:

- i. 2024-2025: General Fund – \$21,750.76
- ii. 2025-2026: General Fund – \$12,411.92 Activity – \$300.00

7. Action Items

- A. Motion by Bouty, supported by Fleetwood to approve the 2025-2026 NCAS Course Catalog. Motion carried, 6-0.
- B. Motion by Plunger, supported by St. John to approve Adam Cocco as interim Transportation Director for NCAS effective August 15, 2025. Motion carried, 6-0.
- C. Motion by St. John, supported by Fleetwood to approve Travis Depuydt as the school safety liaison for North Central Area Schools. Motion carried, 6-0.
- D. Motion by Mercier, supported by St. John to approve the contract between the NCA Board of Education and NCA ESP for the period of August 2025-June 2027. Motion carried, 5-0. Fazer abstained.
- E. Motion by Mercier, supported by Plunger to approve the hire of Josh Granquist as bus driver for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion carried, 6-0.
- F. Motion by Bouty supported by St. John to approve the contract addendum for Travis Depuydt and his role as transportation supervisor for 2025-2026. Motion carried, 6-0.
- G. Motion by St. John, supported by Fleetwood to approve the hire of Kenneth Klee as Maintenance Working Supervisor for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion carried, 6-0.

8. Public Comment

- A. Dina Sandoval – Said she attended the Sports Booster meeting and they were asking about what it would take to get a camera platform added up by the press box for filming

games.

- B. Jason Mercier – Said he would like to nominate Luke Gorzinski to have his football jersey retired.
- C. Tracey Fazer – Asked if we would have print outs available at the open house of the new building plans.
- D. Dana Harder – Said that the community meetings got better as they went. Thought people asked good questions.

9. Board Discussion

- A. NCA Consolidation Project – Not much on the Bond since the last meeting. Need to work on 3D renderings and potentially new plans if bond doesn't pass. Had a good turnout at the community meetings.
- B. Budget Update – No update from the state on the budget. Travis would like to write a letter to legislators in regards to the budget. Board is in support.

10. Other Business

- A. Mercier – Wants to know what our plan is for an athletic trainer.

Depuydt – 15,000 was too much for the limited coverage that would be provided.

It was asked if we could have someone work on a “per game” basis through the school. Would need to look into liability and the contract of the person.

11. Adjournment

- A. Motion by St. John, supported by Fleetwood to adjourn from the August 20, 2025 Regular Board of Education Meeting at 6:58 PM. Motion carried, 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Plunger, Secretary