

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

**Date/Time:** Wednesday, December 11, 2024 6:00 PM CDT

**Location:** North Central Jr/Sr High School Library

**1. Meeting called to order by President Chris Fazer at 6:01 PM.**

**2. Pledge of Allegiance**

**3. Roll Call:**

A. PRESENT: Craig VanEnkevort, Kelly Plunger, Melissa Mercier, Matt Bouty, Chris Fazer  
Administration: Travis Depuydt - Superintendent/Elementary Principal, Donny Bianco -  
MS/HS Principal/Athletic Director, Wendy Granquist - Board Appointed Secretary, Matt  
Wells - Maintenance/Transportation, Amanda Norkoli - Director of Online Learning

B. TARDY: Nathan Fleetwood

C. ABSENT: Jordan St. John

**4. Agenda:**

A. There were no items to be added or deleted. Moved the public comment to before the  
action items.

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

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

**5. Consent Agenda**

A. Reports

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

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

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

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

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

B. Regular Board Meeting & Workshop Minutes:

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

## **6. Approval to pay the bills**

A. Motion by Plunger, supported by Bouty to approve the payment of the November/December bills. Motion carried, 6-0.

General: \$15,966.89 Activity: \$1,545.93 Lunch: \$7,553.77

## **7. Public Comment - None**

## **8. Action Items**

A. Motion by VanEnkevort, supported by Mercier to approve the second reading of the 39-1 NEOLA Policy updates for North Central Area Schools. Motion carried, 6-0.

B. Motion by Plunger, supported by Fazer to approve the amended budget for the 2024-2025 school year. Motion carried, 6-0.

C. Motion by VanEnkevort, supported by Mercier to approve the 2024-2025 Cooperative Ed Partnership with Carney-Nadeau Public Schools for Welding and Wood Courses, the credit for which will count toward a participating student earning a high school diploma. Motion carried, 6-0.

D. Motion by Plunger, supported by Mercier to move into closed session to discuss the superintendent's evaluation at a time of 6:40PM. Roll Call: Mercier-Yes, Fazer-Yes, VanEnkevort-Yes, Plunger-Yes, Fleetwood-Yes, Bouty-Yes. Motion carried, 6-0.

Motion by Bouty, supported by Plunger to move out of closed session at a time of 7:43PM. Motion carried, 6-0.

E. Motion by Fazer, supported by VanEnkevort to approve the superintendent's evaluation for the 2024-2025 school year. Motion carried, 6-0.

## **9. Board Discussion**

A. The Board discussed getting gift cards/local gift certificates for staff members.

B. School Consolidation Update – feasibility study, sharing services

- C. 2025-2026 School Calendar – Shared the ISD calendar with the board and a rough template for next year.
- D. Superintendent/District Goals – Short term goals, Capital improvement, enrollment.

**10. Other Business**

- A. None

**11. Adjournment**

- A. Motion by Mercier, supported by Bouty to adjourn from the December 11, 2024 Regular Board of Education Meeting at 7:56PM. Motion carried, 6-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Plunger, Secretary