

Regularly Scheduled Board Meeting

Administration Office, 4711 S. 500 W. New Palestine, In 46163
Monday, January 12, 2026
6:30pm

1 Welcome/Call to Order/Pledge

Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President

2 Accentuate the Positive

Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President

2.1 Lifetime Educator Excellence Award Recipient

Mr. Jim Voelz, NPHS Principal

The Board will recognize New Palestine High School teacher Sandra Haney for receiving the Lifetime Educator Excellence Award from the Indiana Department of Education.

2.2 2025 Indiana RISE Classified Employee Award Recipient

Mrs. Kayleigh Fosnow, NPE Principal

The Board will recognize New Palestine Community Schools employee, Brenda Sellers, for receiving the 2025 Indiana RISE Classified Employee Award from the Indiana Department of Education.

2.3 2025-2026 Milken Educator Award Recipient

Mr. Craig Smith, Director of Student Learning and Communications

The Board will recognize New Palestine Elementary School's principal, Kayleigh Fosnow, for receiving the Milken Educator Award from the Milken Family Foundation.

3 Board Reorganization-Election of Officers

Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President

In accordance with policies B150 and B225, the Board will designate a President, Vice President, and Secretary, as well as designate a day, place, and time for regular meetings.

In accordance with policies B150 and B225, the Board will appoint a legislative liaison and a policy liaison.

Attached is a reminder of the approved 2026 meeting schedule.

4 Approval of Agenda

Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President

Agenda dated January 12, 2026.

Board approval is requested at this time.

5 Citizens Comments on Agenda Items

Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President

Persons wishing to address the Board on an agenda item shall register by completing the Comments on Agenda Items Form and submitting the form to the Secretary of the Board prior to the start of the meeting. The registration form will include the name of the person(s) providing comment, the organization represented (if any), and identify the agenda item to be addressed. The agenda will be posted at the administration office and at each of the school buildings at least five (5) days (including Saturday and Sunday) prior to the meeting (i.e., by Wednesday before a Monday meeting). Copies of the agenda will also be available at the scheduled Board Meeting. Comments on agenda items will be heard at the start of the Board Meeting.

6 Consideration of Routine Business

Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President

6.1 Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President

Regular Meeting Minutes dated December 8, 2025.

Board approval is requested at this time.

6.2 Personnel Report

Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President

Personnel Report dated January 12, 2026.

Board approval is requested at this time.

6.3 Claims and Finances

Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President

a. Payroll Claims dated December 5, 2025.

b. Payroll Claims dated December 19, 2025.

c. Payroll Claims dated January 2, 2026.

d. Claims dated December 31, 2025.

Board approval is requested at this time.

6.4 Donations

Mrs. Sarah Gizzi, Director of Finance

a. New Palestine United Methodist Women's Group donated a check for \$200.00 to go to Sugar Creek Elementary's ECA Account. This check is to be used for SCE's Vision Choir Program.

b. New Palestine Education Foundation donated a check for \$678.50 to go to Sugar Creek Elementary's ECA Account. This check is to be used for SCE Staff Appreciation Grant (Holiday Luncheon/Treats).

c. Becovic Management Group, with the assistance of Dragons Den, has donated \$4,500.00 to go to All Active Meal Accounts with Deficit Balances.

- d. Teresa Mehok has donated \$500.00 to go to NPHS Meal Accounts with Deficit Balances.
 - e. Clements Family Foundation has issued a check for \$2,500.00 to go to the New Palestine High School Wrestling program.
 - f. Dellen Chevrolet GMC has issued a check to NPHS for \$4,000.00 to go to the NPHS Caring Closet account.
 - g. Realife Church has donated \$150.00 to the NPHS Meal Accounts with Deficit Balances.
 - h. David & Lisa Post have issued a check for \$1,500.00 to go to the NPHS Robotics program.
- Board approval is requested at this time.

7 Unfinished Business

Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President

7.1 Second Reading of Policies

Mr. Brian McKinney, Board Member

- a. C525 Medical Needs at School
- b. D300 Controlled Substance and Alcohol Testing
- c. F100 Internal Controls
- d. F125 Purchasing Procedures and Capital Assets
- e. F176 Unpaid Meal Policy
- f. F225 Fundraising and Crowdfunding

Second reading of policies. Board approval is requested at this time.

8 New Business

Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President

8.1 NPHS Janitorial Cleaning Service Contract

Mrs. Sarah Gizzi, Director of Finance

Mrs. Gizzi is recommending a new janitorial cleaning service contract.
Board approval is requested at this time.

8.2 NPHS Pool Renovation Bid

Mrs. Sarah Gizzi, Director of Finance

Mrs. Gizzi will present the winning bid for the NPHS pool renovation project.
Board approval is requested at this time.

8.3 Daycare Fund Transfer

Mrs. Sarah Gizzi, Director of Finance

Mrs. Gizzi will present the transfer from the Education Fund to the Daycare Fund to ensure a positive

end-of-year balance.

Board approval is requested at this time.

8.4 Education Fund and Operations Fund Transfer Resolution

Mrs. Sarah Gizzi, Director of Finance

Mrs. Gizzi will present the Education Fund and Operations Fund Transfer Resolution, which ensures that all accounts have a positive end-of-year balance. Funds are transferred from unspent line items to accounts in which additional dollars are needed.

Board approval is requested at this time.

8.5 Corporation Treasurer/Deputy Treasurer Re-Appointment

Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President

In alignment with state statute, the district must appoint/re-appoint a Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer at this time each year. It is recommended that Sarah Gizzi be re-appointed as Treasurer with a bond of \$100,000.00 and Ashlie Worth be re-appointed as Deputy Treasurer with a bond of \$50,000.00.

Board approval is requested at this time.

8.6 Little Dragons Early Learning Fees

Mrs. Cheryl Rose, Early Childhood and Special Education Coordinator

Mrs. Rose is requesting approval of the suggested 2026-2027 Little Dragons Early Learning Fees.

Board approval is requested at this time.

8.7 2026-2027 Out-of-District Transfer Application

Dr. Gina Pleak, Superintendent

Dr. Pleak is requesting approval of the 2026-2027 Out-of-District Transfer Application. The approved application will be available on the website in February.

Board approval is requested at this time.

8.8 Memorandum of Understanding Between Town of New Palestine, Main Street, IN. and New Palestine Community Schools

Dr. Gina Pleak, Superintendent

Dr. Pleak is seeking approval of the Memorandum of Understanding Between Town of New Palestine, Main Street, IN. and New Palestine Community Schools.

9 Informal Comments

Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President

The Board President may call for additional informal public comment at this time, if, in his/her judgment, time permits and more comment is warranted. The time limit for such comments will be set by the President, who may also permit the administration or Board to respond to these public comments at his/her discretion.

An informal comment form must be completed on the evening of the board meeting and submitted to the Secretary of the Board prior to the start of the meeting.

10 Board Member Comments

Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President

11 Adjournment

Mrs. Laura Haeberle, Board President

Board approval is requested at this time.