

**NRHEG PUBLIC SCHOOL ISD #2168
BOARD OF EDUCATION
ANNUAL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
Monday, January 5, 2026 at 5:30PM**

MINUTES

1. Meeting called to order Monday, January 5, 2026 by Chairman, Rick Schultz, at 5:30PM

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call:

Members present: Kelly Delacruz, Terri Engel, Amy Ihrke, Loren Schoenrock, Pat Theuer and Rick Schultz

Members absent: Aaron Phillips

4. Approve Agenda: Moved by Pat Theuer, seconded by Loren Schoenrock to approve the agenda. Motion carried 6-0.

5. Election of Board Officers

a. Chair – Loren Schoenrock nominated Rick Schultz for Chair of the Board of Education. There were no other nominations. Congratulations to Rick Schultz who was re-elected Board Chair.

b. Vice-Chair – Pat Theuer nominated Loren Schoenrock for Vice-Chair of the Board of Education. There were no other nominations. Congratulations to Loren Schoenrock who was re-elected Vice-Chair.

c. Clerk – Pat Theuer nominated Terri Engel for Clerk of the Board of Education. There were no other nominations. Congratulations to Terri Engel who was re-elected Clerk.

d. Treasurer – Terri Engel nominated Pat Theuer for Treasurer of the Board of Education. There were no other nominations. Congratulations to Pat Theuer who was elected Treasurer.

Congratulations to our four officers for 2026. Thank you for your service and leadership.

6. Other Business

a. Assign School Board Committees (Appointed)

1) Chair appointed Loren Schoenrock, Pat Theuer, and Amy Ihrke to the finance committee.

2) Chair appointed Kelly Delacruz, Loren Schoenrock, and Terri Engel to the policy committee.

3) Chair appointed Rick Schultz, Loren Schoenrock, and Terri Engel to the building and grounds committee.

4) Chair appointed Rick Schultz, Pat Theuer, and Kelly Delacruz to the transportation committee.

5) Chair appointed Kelly Delacruz, Aaron Phillips, and Amy Ihrke for the school activities committee.

- 6) Chair appointed Rick Schultz, Aaron Phillips, and Loren Schoenrock to the negotiations committee for Paraprofessionals Union.
 - 7) Chair appointed Terri Engel, Kelly Delacruz, and Pat Theuer to the negotiations committee for the AFSCME Union.
 - 8) Chair appointed Pat Theuer, Amy Ihrke, and Rick Schultz to the negotiations committee for the Certified Staff.
 - 9) Chair appointed Aaron Phillips to the Wellness committee.
- b. **Set the Depositories for 2026:** Moved by Amy Ihrke, seconded by Pat Theuer to approve the official depositories for fiscal year 2026; State Bank of New Richland and the Minnesota School District Liquid Asset Fund. Motion carried 6-0.
 - c. **Authorization of Investments/Electronic Funds Transfers 2026:** Moved by Amy Ihrke, seconded by Terri Engel to authorize the Superintendent of Schools to make appropriate investments and electronic fund transfers of district funds. Motion carried 6-0.
 - d. **Set the Official Newspaper for 2026:** Moved by Amy Ihrke, seconded by Pat Theuer to approve the Star Eagle as the official newspaper for fiscal year 2026. Motion carried 6-0.
 - e. **Set the Regular Board Meeting Date, Time and Location:** Moved by Amy Ihrke, seconded by Terri Engel to set the date and time for the regular board meeting each month to the third Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. and rotate each meeting between the two school buildings to be held in the media center. The Board meeting schedule at the Elementary School will be January, March, May, July, September, and November. The Board meeting schedule at the Secondary School will be February, April, June, August, October, and December. Motion carried 6-0.
 - f. **Set Board Member Compensation:** Moved by Kelly Delacruz, seconded by Loren Schoenrock to approve the board member compensation at \$100 for regular/special meetings and \$150 for a full-day meeting or workshop. Additional compensation: \$200 Chair, \$150 Clerk and \$100 Treasurer. Motion carried 6-0.
7. **Adjournment:** Moved by Loren Schoenrock, seconded by Amy Ihrke to adjourned the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 6:20PM. Motion carried 6-0.

Submitted by Terri Engel, Clerk