

MINUTES OF A BUILDINGS & GROUNDS COMMITTEE MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION, DISTRICT 28
HELD DECEMBER 1, 2025

A Northbrook District 28 Board of Education Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting was held in the District Conference Room, 1475 Maple Ave., on Monday, December 1, 2025.

The meeting was called to order by Member Silver-Schack at 12:07 p.m., with the following members present:

DeShawn Arms
Mara Silver-Schack

Absent: Beth Bazer

Also present were Dr. Jason Pearson, Superintendent; Jessica Donato, Chief School Business Official, Joel Gallegos, Director of Buildings and Grounds; Samantha Scheinman, Director of Communications; Yanni Kousiounelos, Project Manager and Chrissy Yonaites, Recording Secretary.

Visitor Comments

None.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Upon review of the Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting Minutes for October 13, 2025 and there being no corrections and adjustments, it was moved by Member Arms and seconded by Member Silver-Schack to approve the minutes.

Construction Updates

Meadowbrook Construction Update

Project Manager Yanni Kousiounelos presented an update on the Meadowbrook Construction, including a review of the latest renderings. Mr. Kousiounelos clarified that certain interior details seen in the renderings, such as wall art and plants, are not yet finalized and will be discussed at future meetings. Board Members Silver-Schack and Arms reiterated their prior requests for a wall option near the cafetorium and the use of frosted glass for classrooms.

Review of Other School Renovations

The committee then reviewed the renovation plans for the three other schools, focusing on potential modifications driven by cost estimates and budget constraints.

- **Westmoor:** Discussion centered on the option to retain the second gym (multipurpose room) versus adhering to the original plan to add more classrooms. While there is feedback supporting keeping the second gym, the committee noted the potential for a classroom shortage if enrollment increases.
- **Greenbriar:** It was recommended that the Greenbriar parking lot expansion be listed as an alternate spend option rather than included in the main construction bid. This strategy allows the Board to decide which alternate projects to pursue without affecting the core planned work within the main bid.

Dr. Pearson provided a new bidding timeline: Meadowbrook in January, Greenbriar and Westmoor in March and Northbrook Junior High in the fall.

- **Northbrook Junior High:** Bidding NBJH in the fall would provide time to assess the costs of the other school projects, which will, in turn, help guide decisions on work at NBJH that extends beyond the basic plan. This adjustment is estimated to push the NBJH completion approximately six months past the initial timeline.

Board Members Silver-Schack and Arms concluded the discussion with follow-up questions.

New Business

None.

Adjournment

At 1:09 p.m., it was moved that the meeting be adjourned. All members present voted Aye. Motion carried.

Mara Silver-Schack, Committee Chair

Jason Pearson, Superintendent