

A meeting of the Board of Education of Conestoga Public School in the County of Cass, in the State of Nebraska, was convened in open and public session at, 5:00 PM Tuesday, August 11, 2026 located at the 104 E. High St, Murray, NE 68409 , 8404 42nd Street, Murray, NE 68409-0184.

Notice of the meeting, agenda and the subjects to be discussed at this meeting were given in advance to all members of the Board of Education and thereof by posting at the Elementary and High School offices and Statue 84-1407 to 84-1414 requires that the Open Meetings Act be posted in the meeting room. President Page informed the board and the public that the Open Meetings Act is located in the meeting room.

Opening Procedures

Pledge of Allegiance. Statement of Open Meetings Law. Roll Call- Ahrens: Present, Kelley: Present, Page: Present, Stone: Present, Weisz: Present

Consent Agenda

Minutes/Claims. Board member Stone made a motion to approve minutes/consent agenda, seconded by Ahrens. Members voting aye: Ahrens: Yea, Kelley: Yea, Page: Yea, Stone: Yea, Weisz: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0 Motion Carried.

Discussion Items

Admin Reports

Mr. Dennis- Discussed enrollment projections for the upcoming school year and important upcoming dates. Provided update on early childhood center waitlist. Those rooms will be full for this school year. Sixpence enrollment should not affect preschool enrollment going forward. Administration is currently sending letters to determine interest in having Monday daycare available.

Mrs. Stieren- Gave a shout out to coaches/sponsors for their flexibility and patience with construction and our new scheduling system. Fall sports have kicked off, Mrs. Stieren is visiting practices and checking in with coaches/sponsors. JH sports will start when school begins. Parent meetings are being set up with coaches and parents. A new Hudl camera is being installed at the elementary gym. Mrs. Stieren is also working out details on launching Jr. Cougars program in conjunction with the Booster Club. Girls soccer numbers were discussed as well as a potential coop with Plattsmouth High School.

Mr. Krause- Provided an update that all requirements were met for the last school year on our Special Education determinations by NDE. MTSS summit is coming up in October. Conestoga will be a spotlight at this event.

Mrs. Bergmeyer- Multicultural report was submitted. Discussed how P admin days went really well, learned a lot about supports we may be eligible for now through our construction additions. Discussed important dates coming up with new staff and staff as a whole. Discussed assessment data and when that will be dispersed.

Mr. Schekirke- Provided an enrollment update for this school year, and has been meeting with staff one on one to get to know them and learn more about the district. Discussed upcoming important dates.

Superintendent Report

Mr. Geise- Gave a shout out to staff and the community for being so supportive and understanding in dealing with construction. Thank you to the board for continued admin support. The safety team met yesterday, a lot of updates had to be made due to construction. 100% graduation rate for the class of 2026. Construction update: things are moving fast, updated a lot of the progress. Discussed important upcoming dates.

Action Items

Discuss, consider, and take all necessary action to approve revisions to Policy 3003 Bidding for Construction, Remodeling, Repair, or Site Improvement. Board member Kelley made a motion to approve revisions to Policy 3003 Bidding for Construction, Remodeling, Repair, or Site Improvement, seconded by Stone. Members voting aye: Ahrens: Yea, Kelley: Yea, Page: Yea, Stone: Yea, Weisz: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0 Motion Carried.

Discuss, consider, and take all necessary action to approve revisions to Policy 3003.1 Bidding for Construction, Remodeling, Repair, or Related Projects Financed with Federal Funds. Board member Weisz made a motion to approve revisions to Policy 3003.1 Bidding for Construction, Remodeling, Repair, or Related Projects Financed with Federal Funds, seconded by Kelley. Members voting aye: Ahrens: Yea, Kelley: Yea, Page: Yea, Stone: Yea, Weisz: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0 Motion Carried.

Discuss, consider, and take all necessary action to approve revisions to Policy 3004.1 Fiscal Management for Purchasing and Procurement Using Federal Funds. Board member Weisz made a motion to approve Policy 3004.1 Fiscal Management for Purchasing and Procurement Using Federal Funds, seconded by Stone. Members voting aye: Ahrens: Yea, Kelley: Yea, Page: Yea, Stone: Yea, Weisz: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0 Motion Carried.

Discuss, consider, and take all necessary action to approve revisions to Policy 4043 Professional Boundaries and Appropriate Relationships Between Employees and Students. Board member Weisz made a motion to approve revisions to Policy 4043 Professional Boundaries and Appropriate Relationships Between Employees and Students, seconded by Ahrens. Members voting aye: Ahrens: Yea, Kelley: Yea, Page: Yea, Stone: Yea, Weisz: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0 Motion Carried.

Discuss, consider, and take all necessary action to approve sale of surplus items. Board member Stone made a motion to approve sale of surplus items, seconded by Kelley. Members voting aye: Ahrens: Yea, Kelley: Yea, Page: Yea, Stone: Yea, Weisz: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0 Motion Carried.

Discuss, consider, and take all necessary actions to approve Dean Nickels for Board seat vacancy through 2026. Board member Stone made a motion to approve Dean Nickels for Board seat vacancy through 2026, seconded by Ahrens. Members voting aye: Ahrens: Yea, Kelley: Yea, Page: Yea, Stone: Yea, Weisz: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0 Motion Carried.

Upcoming Meetings- 9/15 in the high school board room.

Adjourn

Board member Ahrens made a motion to adjourn at 5:42, seconded by Stone. Members voting aye: Ahrens: Yea, Kelley: Yea, Page: Yea, Stone: Yea, Weisz: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0 Motion Carried.