

MINUTES OF THE
CENTRAL CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
March 17, 2025

The Central City Board of Education met at 8:00 p.m., on Monday, March 17, 2025 in the Central City High School Conference Room at 1510 28th Street in Central City, NE 68826.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call showed the following members present: Brian Buhlke, Aaron Heins, Chuck Homolka, Brent Kennedy, Lisa Wagner, and Brett Zikmund. Also present: Jeff Jensen, Superintendent; Absent: None.

It was moved by Buhlke, seconded by Homolka, that it is hereby determined that this meeting was preceded by advanced notice by publishing in the Republican Nonpareil and by posting notices at the Superintendent's Office, Merrick County Courthouse and City Hall Office and is hereby declared to be duly convened in open session and a copy of the agenda is posted in the Superintendent's Office. Motion carried 6-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None.

The school district treasurer's financial report disclosed a reconciled unencumbered balance of \$3,863,185.80 as of February 28, 2025.

The high school activities fund account disclosed a balance on February 28, 2025 of \$335,654.42, middle school activity fund disclosed a balance of \$18,836.70, and the elementary activity fund disclosed a balance of \$21,545.37. The cafeteria account disclosed a balance of \$-9,132.29.

It was moved by Buhlke, seconded by Kennedy, to approve the agenda of the meeting. Motion carried 6-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None.

It was moved by Buhlke, seconded by Kennedy, to approve the consent agenda action items, which include minutes from February 17, 2025, financial review of funds, and March claims with the exception of claim #37275. Motion carried 6-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None.

It was moved by Kennedy, seconded by Buhlke, to approve claim #37275. Motion carried 5-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Abstain: Heins. Absent: None.

The Board Reviewed policies 6012, 6013, 6014, 6015, and 6016.

It was moved by Homolka, seconded by Heins, to approve the Special Services contract with ESU7 for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion carried 6-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None.

It was moved by Heins, seconded by Zikmund, to approve the contract through GO Grand Island for OT, PT, and Speech Therapy. Motion carried 6-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None.

It was moved by Homolka, seconded by Zikmund, to approve Summer School for the Summer of 2025. Motion carried 6-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None.

It was moved by Kennedy, seconded by Zikmund, to approve the retirement of Kirby Mousel, Art, at the conclusion of the 2024-2025 school year. Motion carried 6-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None.

It was moved by Kennedy, seconded by Heins, to approve the resignation of Crystal Kucera, Middle School, at the conclusion of the 2024-2025 school year. Motion carried 6-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None.

It was moved by Kennedy, seconded by Zikmund, to approve the contract of Lance Sorensen, High School Math, for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion carried 6-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None.

It was moved by Kennedy, seconded by Heins, to approve the contract of Dale Jones, Special Education, for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion carried 6-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None.

It was moved by Kennedy, seconded by Zikmund, to approve the contract of Angela Broekemier, Art, for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion carried 6-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None.

It was moved by Kennedy, seconded by Homolka, to approve the contract of Hailey Oswald, Elementary, for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion carried 6-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None.

It was moved by Buhlke, seconded by Kennedy, to approve the retirement of Pamela McDiffett, Elementary, at the conclusion of the 2024-2025 school year. Motion carried 6-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None.

It was moved by Kennedy, seconded by Buhlke, to approve the contract of McKenna Schuck, Middle School, for the 2025-2026 school year. Motion carried 6-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None.

It was moved by Buhlke, seconded by Kennedy, to set regular board meeting for April 21, 2025 at 8:00p.m. Motion carried 6-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None.

It was moved by Heins, seconded by Homolka, to recognize Caleb Rowe for placing 3rd at the Heartland Junior Science Fair and qualifying for the National Science Fair in Washington, DC, Quiz Bowl Team for Placing 1st at Districts and qualifying for the State Competition, the Cheerleading Squad for placing 6th at State Cheer, the Dance Team for placing 9th at State Dance, Girls Basketball for being District Runner-Up, Guest Readers at the Cozy Cafe during Read Across

America Week: Hannah Wegner, Neely Moser, Maureen McIlhinny, Jeff Jensen, Zach Springer, Donna Jorgensen, Sally Bankson, Nikki Richardson, & Amber Johnson, Doug McHargue for allowing us to use Studio C again this year for the cafe. Also special recognition goes to Brianna Burdick and her work with the leadership group and multiple staff members to make Read Across America Week special for the kids and staff, FFA recognition of Ag Mechanics Isaiah Davis District Champ, Alaina Bearnes District Runner up, Agriscience Ella Larkins District Champ, Ag Sales Kit Brooks Runner Up, Poultry Evaluation Maddie Chrisman Runner Up, Welding Levi Webb State Champ in TIG, Riley Lavene State Champ in OA, and Len Marco and Bill Bolte as Veterans' of the Community. Motion carried 6-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Meeting adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Central City Board of Education, hereby certify that the foregoing minutes is a true and correct representation of the meeting of the Central City Board of Education held in open session on March 17, 2025. Dated this 17th day of March, 2025.

Respectfully Submitted,

Aaron Heins, Board Secretary