

COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #16
NEW BERLIN, ILLINOIS
August 20, 2026

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

President Neuman called the Board Meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Members Marr, Mann, Bishoff, Beard, Arndt and Griffith were present.

President Neuman opened the floor for Scheduled Audience Participation, at which time Weston Brosi, FCCLA Chapter President/State Officer and Natalie Spann, Chapter Vice President, shared a presentation on their trip to the National Convention in Washington D.C.

Pretzel Shoutouts were shared with the Board.

President Neuman opened the floor for public comment, of which there was none.

President Neuman reminded the Board of the upcoming conference in Chicago in November and updated the Board on Board of Directors meeting she attended in Collinsville.

President Neuman asked for any adjustments to the agenda, of which there were none.

There were no questions or comments regarding Director Reports.

The Administrators shared their reports with the Board.

The Superintendent informed the Board that the school year was off to a good start. She highlighted teacher institute days and collaboration among staff that made the days successful. She shared positives from transportation, the theme for school year, meetings with 35 staff members and new teacher orientation. She updated the Board on staffing positions as well.

A motion was made by Member Beard and seconded by Member Bishoff to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion passed on a roll call vote, 7-0. President Neuman and Members Marr, Mann, Bishoff, Arndt, Beard and Griffith voted yea.

A motion was made by Member Marr and seconded by Member Mann to approve the Budget Hearing for September 24, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. The motion passed on a roll call vote, 7-0. President Neuman and Members Marr, Mann, Bishoff, Arndt, Beard and Griffith voted yea.

A motion was made by Member Marr and seconded by Member Griffith to approve the FY27 Tentative Budget. The motion passed on a roll call vote, 7-0. President Neuman and Members Marr, Mann, Bishoff, Arndt, Beard and Griffith voted yea.

A motion was made by Member Griffith and seconded by Member Beard to approve the Amended Athletic and Extracurricular Code of Conduct Policies. There was discussion about effective and impactful language used and training options for students. The motion passed on a roll call vote, 7-0. President Neuman and Members Marr, Mann, Bishoff, Arndt, Beard and Griffith voted yea.

A motion was made by Member Beard and seconded by Member Griffith at 6:40 p.m. to adjourn to executive session for the purpose of employment matters (5 ILCS120/2(c)(2)), student disciplinary cases (5 ILCS120/2(c)(2)) and placement of students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students (5 ILCS120/2(c)(10)). The motion passed on a roll call vote, 7-0. President Neuman and Members Marr, Mann, Bishoff, Arndt, Beard and Griffith voted yea.

A motion was made at 7:29 p.m. by Member Beard and seconded by Member Bishoff to return to open session. The motion passed on a roll call vote, 7-0. President Neuman and Members Marr, Mann, Bishoff, Arndt, Beard and Griffith voted yea.

A motion was made by Member Beard and seconded by Member Bishoff to approve the Personnel Consent Agenda (Breanna Dion-Paraprofessional, Rene Messino-Paraprofessional, Renee Cooper-Freshman Class Sponsor, Jennifer Spann-Junior Class Sponsor, Chrysta Lancaster-Paraprofessional, Courtney Colson-Bus Monitor, Jessica Wisdom-Bus Monitor, Casey Spears-Soph. Class Sponsor, Brittany Lane-Paraprofessional, Beth Behm-NBE Nurse). The motion passed on a roll call vote, 7-0. President Neuman and Members Marr, Mann, Bishoff, Arndt, Beard and Griffith voted yea.

President Neuman made note of resignations.

A motion as made at 7:30 p.m. by Member Beard and seconded by Member Mann to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed on a voice vote, 7-0. President Neuman and Members Marr, Mann, Bishoff, Arndt, Beard and Griffith voted yea.

The meeting ended at 7:30 p.m.

Secretary

President