

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
September 15, 2026

Of the Board of Education of School District No. 61R, Emerson-Hubbard Community Schools, in the County of Dixon, in the State of Nebraska, a/k/a Dixon County School District No. 561, convened in open and public session at (Following the Tax Asking Hearing) on September 15, 2026, at Emerson-Hubbard's Elementary Library in said district. **Present:** Kip Ahlers, Scott Albrecht, Ryan Beacom, Joani Franzluebbbers, Ashley Fuchser, Dillion Martin, Superintendent Dustin Nielsen, Elementary Principal Tricia Vannatta, MS/HS Principal Zach Biere, Board Secretary Linda Rohde and community member.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof, according to law, by proper publication in the Nebraska Journal Leader, a designated method for giving notice of the School District. Notice of this meeting was given in advance to all members of the Board of Education. Availability of the Agenda and purpose of the meeting was communicated in the advance notice of the meeting and in the notice to the members of this meeting. All proceedings of the Board of Education were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Kip Ahlers made a motion to approve the agenda. Ryan Beacom seconded the motion. The above motion, having been consented to by more than a majority of the board members of this School District, was declared as passed by the President.

Kip Ahlers: Yes, Scott Albrecht: Yes, Ryan Beacom: Yes, Joani Franzluebbbers: Yes, Ashley Fuchser: Yes, Dillion Martin: Yes
Yes: 6, No: 0

Kip Ahlers made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, Ryan Beacom seconded the motion. The above motion, having been consented to by more than a majority of the board members of this School District, was declared as passed by the President.

Kip Ahlers: Yes, Scott Albrecht: Yes, Ryan Beacom: Yes, Joani Franzluebbbers: Yes, Ashley Fuchser: Yes, Dillion Martin: Yes
Yes: 6, No: 0

Because a board member failed to recuse herself on check #43274 to Joani Franzluebbbers, the district office did not process the check and it will be listed as a separate agenda item on the October 12th board agenda.

Kip Ahlers made a motion to approve the 2026-2027 budget as presented. Scott Albrecht seconded the motion. The above motion, having been consented to by more than a majority of the board members of this School District, was declared as passed by the President.

Kip Ahlers: Yes, Scott Albrecht: Yes, Ryan Beacom: Yes, Joani Franzluebbbers: Yes, Ashley Fuchser: Yes, Dillion Martin: Yes
Yes: 6, No: 0

Ryan Beacom made a motion to approve the 2026-2027 tax request as recommended.]. Kip Ahlers seconded the motion. The above motion, having been consented to by more than a majority of the board members of this School District, was declared as passed by the President.

Kip Ahlers: Yes, Scott Albrecht: Yes, Ryan Beacom: Yes, Joani Franzluebbbers: Yes, Ashley Fuchser: Yes, Dillion Martin: Yes
Yes: 6, No: 0

Kip Ahlers made a motion to approve the contract for the 2026-27 school year with Extreme Technology. Scott Albrecht seconded the motion. The above motion, having been consented to by more than a majority of the board members of this School District, was declared as passed by the President.

Kip Ahlers: Yes, Scott Albrecht: Yes, Ryan Beacom: Yes, Joani Franzluebbbers: Yes, Ashley Fuchser: Yes, Dillion Martin: Yes
Yes: 6, No: 0

Scott Albrecht made a motion to approve the policy changes as recommended on first reading for Policy #4133 and waive the second reading. Ashley Fuchser seconded the motion. The above motion, having been consented to by more than a majority of the board members of this School District, was declared as passed by the President.

Kip Ahlers: Yes, Scott Albrecht: Yes, Ryan Beacom: Yes, Joani Franzluebbbers: Yes, Ashley Fuchser: Yes, Dillion Martin: Yes
Yes: 6, No: 0

Ashley Fuchser made a motion to approve the purchase of a 2026 Transit 350 for \$68,412.00. Dillion Martin seconded the motion. The above motion, having been consented to by more than a majority of the board members of this School District, was declared as passed by the President.

Kip Ahlers: Yes, Scott Albrecht: Yes, Ryan Beacom: Yes, Joani Franzluebbbers: Yes, Ashley Fuchser: Yes, Dillion Martin: Yes
Yes: 6, No: 0

Scott Albrecht made a motion to approve the 2 year Cooperative agreement between E-H, Allen Consolidated School & Wakefield Community Schools for girls wrestling. Kip Ahlers seconded the motion. The above motion, having been consented to by more than a majority of the board members of this School District, was declared as passed by the President.

Kip Ahlers: Yes, Scott Albrecht: Yes, Ryan Beacom: Yes, Joani Franzluebbbers: Yes, Ashley Fuchser: Yes, Dillion Martin: Yes
Yes: 6, No: 0

Elementary Principal Tricia Vannatta reported on MAP testing, LETRS training scheduled for the 23rd and DIBELS.

MS/HS Principal Zach Biere reported on MS/HS Enrollment, Staff Recognition on Kennedy Bach-Boston, Building Update on Outdoor Classroom, Teacher's Lounge, Main Office, Counseling Center and HVAC; Fall Activities – Homecoming, PT Conferences, Staff PD, T-Mobile Friday Night Lights, Monthly Assembly Update, Fall ACT Update, WSC Teacher Fair, Community Coffee, FBLA, FFA, Sports, MAP Testing and School Improvement Update; Committee Updates – Staff Culture, AAB And MTSS.

Superintendent Dustin Nielsen reported on Budget Update, NASB Superintendent Evaluation, NASB Board Retreat, and NASB Strategic Plan Framework – Principals of Focus.

Board Committee Report - Coop Committee reported on recent Coop meetings.

Discussion Item- The annual NASB State Education Conference will be held Nov 18-20 in Omaha

Next Board Meeting will be held Monday, October 12th – 5:00 pm American Civics Meeting;
5:30 pm regular Board meeting in EH Elementary School Library.

Kip Ahlers made a motion to adjourn the meeting @ 7:44 pm. Ryan Beacom seconded the motion. The above motion, having been consented to by more than a majority of the board members of this School District, was declared as passed by the President.

Kip Ahlers: Yes, Scott Albrecht: Yes, Ryan Beacom: Yes, Joani Franzluebbbers: Yes, Ashley Fuchser: Yes, Dillion Martin: Yes

Yes: 6, No: 0

BY: _____
Joani Franzluebbbers
President of the Board of Education
Of This School District

ATTEST: _____
Linda Rohde
Secretary of the Board of Education
Of This School District