

Minden Public Schools
Board of Education
Board of Education Regular Meeting
Minden High School Media Center
543 West 5th
Minden, NE 68959-0301
Monday, October 9, 2023 7:00 PM

1. Call to Order
 - 1.a. Open Meetings Act is Posted
 - 1.b. Mission Statement
 - 1.c. Roll Call
 - 1.d. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Public Comment
3. Consent Agenda
 - 3.a. Consider Minutes from Prior Meeting
 - 3.b. Consider Financial Reports
 - 3.c. Consider Expenditures and Claims for Payment
4. Reports
 - 4.a. Board Committees
 - 4.b. Principals
 - 4.c. Superintendent
5. Policy Review and Updates
6. Action Items
 - 6.a. Consider, Discuss, and Take Action on Amendments to Policy 5006 Option Enrollment
 - 6.b. Consider, Discuss, and Take Action on 2024-25 Capacity Limits for Policy 5006
 - 6.c. Consider, Discuss, and Take Action on Out-of-State Band Trip and Out-of-State Tech Club Trip
 - 6.d. Consider, Discuss, and Take Action on Interlocal Agreement with City of Minden for School Resource Officer
7. Next Meeting
8. Adjournment per Board President Action at 7:43 p.m.

**MINDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
September 11, 2023**

The agenda for the September 11, 2023 hearings and meeting were posted at the United States Post Office in Minden, Minden Exchange Bank, First Bank and Trust Company, Kearney County Courthouse, and the Minden city office. Agendas were mailed to the United States Post Office in Upland and Heartwell. The agendas were posted in the superintendent's office and notices were published in the local paper.

The board hearings began at 7:00 pm with all board members present, except Raun.

Motion by Craig and second by Krull to excuse the absence of Raun and appoint Krull as secretary for the hearings. Roll call: Craig, aye; Glanzer, aye; Krull, aye; Raun, absent; Reed, aye; Rhynalds, aye. Motion carried.

At 7:00 pm, motion by Rhynalds and second by Craig to hear support, opposition, criticism, suggestions and observations of taxpayers relating to the proposed 2023-2024 budget. Roll call: Craig, aye; Glanzer, aye; Krull, aye; Raun, absent; Reed, aye; Rhynalds, aye. Motion carried.

Wayne Anderson presented public comment.

Mr. James Widdifield presented a proposed budget overview.

The hearing was closed at 7:16 pm, following a motion by Craig and second by Glanzer. Roll call: Craig, aye; Glanzer, aye; Krull, aye; Raun, absent; Reed, aye; Rhynalds, aye. Motion carried.

At 7:17 pm, motion by Rhynalds and second by Craig to hear support, opposition, criticism, suggestions, and observations of taxpayers relating to setting the final tax request at a different amount than the prior year tax request. Roll call: Craig, aye; Glanzer, aye; Krull, aye; Raun, absent; Reed, aye; Rhynalds, aye. Motion carried.

Mr. James Widdifield presented a tax request overview.

The hearing was closed at 7:24 pm, following a motion by Glanzer and second by Reed. Roll call: Craig, aye; Glanzer, aye; Krull, aye; Raun, absent; Reed, aye; Rhynalds, aye. Motion carried.

The board meeting began at 7:24 pm with all board members present, except Raun.

Motion by Rhynalds and second by Glanzer to excuse the absence of Raun and appoint Krull as secretary for the meeting. Roll call: Craig, aye; Glanzer, aye; Krull, aye; Raun, absent; Reed, aye; Rhynalds, aye. Motion carried.

Wayne Anderson presented public comment.

Motion by Craig and second by Glanzer to approve the consent agenda consisting of minutes from the August 14 and August 29 meetings, financial reports, and claims for payment. Roll call: Craig, aye; Glanzer, aye; Krull, aye; Raun, absent; Reed, aye; Rhynalds, aye. Motion carried.

The board discussed the amendments to Policy 5006 Option Enrollment.

Motion by Glanzer and second by Craig to approve the 2023-2024 budget. Roll call: Craig, aye; Glanzer, aye; Krull, aye; Raun, absent; Reed, aye; Rhynalds, aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Glanzer and second by Krull to approve the property tax levy of \$0.924615 and the following resolution: Now be it therefore resolved that (1) the Tax Request for the General Fund should be, and hereby is set at \$9,392,947.68 for the 2023-2024 school fiscal year; (2) the Tax Request for the Bond Fund should be, and hereby is set at \$1,719,359.00 for the 2023-2024 school fiscal year; and (3) the Tax Request for the Building Fund should be, and hereby is set at \$1,697,475.00 for the 2023-2024 school fiscal year. Roll call: Craig, aye; Glanzer, aye; Krull, aye; Raun, absent; Reed, aye; Rhynalds, aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Craig and second by Glanzer to approve the amendments to Policy 4250 Bus Drivers. Roll call: Craig, aye; Glanzer, aye; Krull, aye; Raun, absent; Reed, aye; Rhynalds, aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Craig and second by Glanzer to approve the selection of Cannon Moss Brygger & Associates, P.C., a/k/a CMBA Architects as architect for purposes of design, cost estimating and construction administration for a proposed facilities project consisting of middle school enhancements and renovations and high school parking lot expansion, and further hereby approves an architect agreement with the above-named architect, in the form on file with official School District records and as presented at this meeting or with such changes as are deemed necessary and in the best interest of the School District and approved by the board president or superintendent of schools, and further hereby authorizes, directs, and delegates to the board president, superintendent of schools, or designee of either, to sign, execute and deliver the architect agreement, any documents called for in the architect agreement, any amendments to such architect agreement, to pay the architect fees and reimbursable expenses, and to take all other action necessary to carry such architect agreement into effect. Roll call: Craig, aye; Glanzer, aye; Krull, aye; Raun, absent; Reed, aye; Rhynalds, aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Krull and second by Glanzer to authorize, approve, and ratify the bid documents issued for the sale of the house structure including the building and any remaining contents, but not the underlying real estate/land, located at 427 Park Avenue, Minden, Nebraska, and further approves and authorizes conveyance and sale of the house structure to the highest bidder, who is Shane Schmidt, in the amount of \$1,000.00, and further authorizes the Board President to close the transfer and sale of the house structure, to sign, execute and deliver the bill of sale, and any other documents necessary to transfer this house structure, and to take all other action necessary to carry such transaction into effect. Roll call: Craig, aye; Glanzer, aye; Krull, aye; Raun, absent; Reed, aye; Rhynalds, aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Craig and second by Glanzer to authorize, approve, and ratify the bid documents issued for the sale of the house structure including the building and any remaining contents, but not the underlying real estate/land, located at 433 Park Avenue, Minden, Nebraska, and further approves and authorizes conveyance and sale of the house structure to the highest bidder, who is Cole Dornhoff, in the amount of \$1,000.00, and further authorizes the Board President to close the transfer and sale of the house structure, to sign, execute and deliver the bill of sale, and any other documents necessary to transfer this house structure, and to take all other action necessary to carry such transaction into effect. Roll call: Craig, aye; Glanzer, aye; Krull, aye; Raun, absent; Reed, aye; Rhynalds, abstain. Motion carried.

At 7:59 pm, meeting adjourned per Board President action.

Secretary, Board of Education

MINDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
TREASURER'S REPORT
September 30, 2023

SCHOOL BALANCE - August 31, 2023		\$34,500.52
Current Months Receipts		\$2,297,862.37
Transfers from Investments		\$0.00
Total Beginning Balance and Receipts		\$2,332,362.89
Less: Disbursements		\$1,266,095.88
Transfer to Investments		\$825,000.00
Total Disbursements		\$2,091,095.88
SCHOOL BALANCE - September 30, 2023		\$241,267.01
BALANCE PER BANK STATEMENT - September 30, 2023		\$249,768.41
Deposits In Transit		\$0.00
LESS : Outstanding Checks		\$8,501.40
RECONCILED BANK BALANCE - September 30, 2023		\$241,267.01
(Balance - September 30, 2022 = \$138,284.55)		
GENERAL FUND INVESTMENTS		\$3,228,204.27
Money Market Minden Exchange	\$1,919,505.69	2.48% demand
Money Market First Bank	\$1,308,698.58	2.74% demand
(Balance September 30, 2022 = \$3,301,739.76)		
DEPRECIATION FUND INVESTED		\$171,544.10
Money Market Minden Exchange Bank	\$123,904.84	2.48% demand
Money Market First Bank	\$47,634.07	2.13% demand
Checking Minden Exchange Bank	\$5.19	
(Balance September 30, 2022 = \$169,328.48)		
BUILDING FUND		\$1,826,935.56
Money Market Minden Exchange Bank	\$333,050.77	2.48% demand
Money Market First Bank	\$162,020.53	2.74% demand
NE Liquid Asset Fund - Building Fund	\$1,331,859.76	5.07% demand
Checking Minden Exchange Bank	\$4.50	
(Balance September 30, 2022 = \$996,589.54)		
BOND FUND		\$2,113,485.16
Money Market Minden Exchange Bank	\$493,963.29	2.48% demand
NE Liquid Asset Fund - Bond Fund	\$1,619,521.87	5.07% demand
(Balance September 30, 2022 = \$2,104,156.40)		
LUNCH FUND		\$60,101.94
Money Market First Bank	\$21,518.01	2.08% demand
Checking First Bank	\$38,583.93	
(Balance September 30, 2022 = \$96,618.15)		
FUNDS PLEDGED FOR DEPOSITS		
Minden Exchange Bank	\$6,500,000.00	Plus 250M FDIC
First Bank	\$2,065,000.00	Plus 250M FDIC

Scott W. Johnson, Treasurer

MINDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
TREASURER'S REPORT SUPPLEMENT
ACCOUNT RECONCILIATIONS
September 30, 2023

Bank	Account #	Beginning Balance	Plus: Receipts	Plus/(Minus) Transfers	Minus: Expenditures	Ending/ Reconciled Balance	Previous Year Ending Balance
General Fund							
MEB	401505	\$34,500.52	\$2,297,862.37	(\$825,000.00)	\$1,266,095.88	\$241,267.01	\$138,284.55
MEB	601096	\$1,091,439.72	\$3,065.97	\$825,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,919,505.69	\$2,014,299.15
FB&T	801472	\$1,305,790.07	\$2,908.51	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,308,698.58	\$1,287,440.61
	Subtotal	\$2,431,730.31	\$2,303,836.85	\$0.00	\$1,266,095.88	\$3,469,471.28	\$3,440,024.31
Depreciation Fund							
MEB	401919	\$5.19	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5.19	\$5.19
MEB	613109	\$123,664.12	\$240.72	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$123,904.84	\$122,328.29
FB&T	807982	\$47,551.60	\$82.47	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$47,634.07	\$46,995.00
	Subtotal	\$171,220.91	\$323.19	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$171,544.10	\$169,328.48
Building Fund							
MEB	106690	\$4.50	\$0.00	\$19,225.00	\$19,225.00	\$4.50	\$4.50
MEB	603209	\$851,177.34	\$201,098.43	(\$719,225.00)	\$0.00	\$333,050.77	\$823,155.29
FB&T	801407	\$161,660.45	\$360.08	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$162,020.53	\$159,144.67
NLAF	9300655	\$629,613.62	\$2,246.14	\$700,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,331,859.76	\$14,285.08
	Subtotal	\$1,642,455.91	\$203,704.65	\$0.00	\$19,225.00	\$1,826,935.56	\$996,589.54
Bond Fund							
MEB	620112	\$1,133,747.59	\$360,215.70	(\$1,000,000.00)	\$0.00	\$493,963.29	\$2,101,743.44
NLAF	9300692	\$615,596.41	\$3,925.46	\$1,000,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,619,521.87	\$2,412.96
	Subtotal	\$1,749,344.00	\$364,141.16	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,113,485.16	\$2,104,156.40
Lunch Fund							
FB&T	801399	\$51,469.73	\$48.28	(\$30,000.00)	\$0.00	\$21,518.01	\$38,959.82
FB&T	990119	\$30,060.20	\$28,017.04	\$30,000.00	\$49,493.31	\$38,583.93	\$57,658.33
	Subtotal	\$81,529.93	\$28,065.32	\$0.00	\$49,493.31	\$60,101.94	\$96,618.15
Grand Total		\$6,076,281.06	\$2,900,071.17	\$0.00	\$1,334,814.19	\$7,641,538.04	\$6,806,716.88

2023/24 Projections vs. Actuals for General Fund As of September 30, 2023

Income

2023/24 Budgeted Income = \$12,867,073.68

Month	Projected Income	Actual Income	Over/(Under) Projection	Running Balance Over/(Under) Projection
September	\$2,458,897.78	\$2,303,327.59	(\$155,570.19)	(\$155,570.19)
October	\$546,850.63			
November	\$214,880.13			
December	\$202,013.06			
January	\$1,975,095.81			
February	\$1,002,345.04			
March	\$819,632.59			
April	\$618,906.24			
May	\$3,319,705.01			
June	\$1,246,819.44			
July	\$212,306.72			
August	\$249,621.23			

Cash Flow

Month	Projected Cash Flow	Actual Cash Flow	Over/(Under) Projection	Running Balance Over/(Under) Projection
September	\$1,175,332.97	\$1,037,740.97	(\$137,592.00)	(\$137,592.00)
October	(\$554,696.06)			
November	(\$874,532.02)			
December	(\$900,881.92)			
January	\$872,200.83			
February	(\$70,887.72)			
March	(\$273,824.41)			
April	(\$478,595.61)			
May	\$2,200,630.64			
June	\$108,869.12			
July	(\$873,060.59)			
August	(\$946,305.23)			

Expenses

2023/24 Budgeted Expenses = \$13,482,823.68

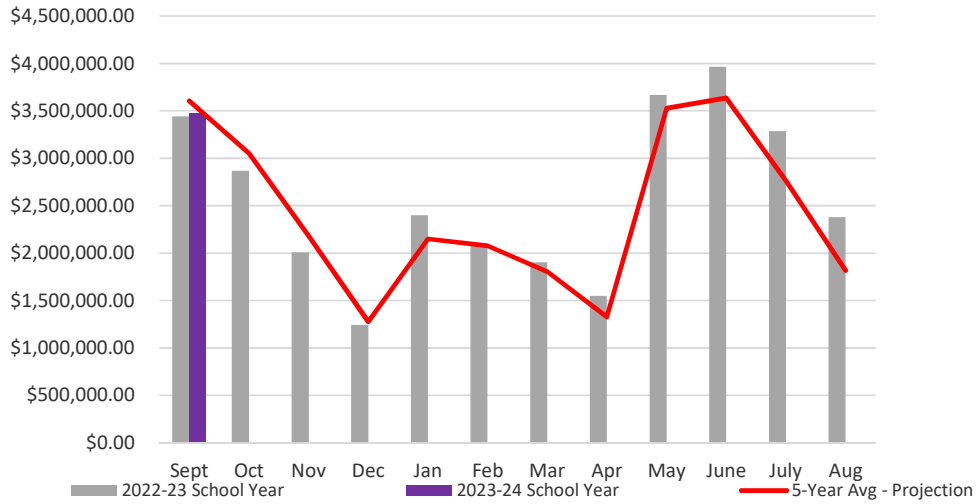
Month	Projected Expenses	Actual Expenses	Over/(Under) Projection	Running Balance Over/(Under) Projection
September	\$1,283,564.81	\$1,265,586.62	(\$17,978.19)	(\$17,978.19)
October	\$1,101,546.69			
November	\$1,089,412.15			
December	\$1,102,894.98			
January	\$1,102,894.98			
February	\$1,073,232.76			
March	\$1,093,457.00			
April	\$1,097,501.85			
May	\$1,119,074.37			
June	\$1,137,950.32			
July	\$1,085,367.31			
August	\$1,195,926.46			

General Fund Balance

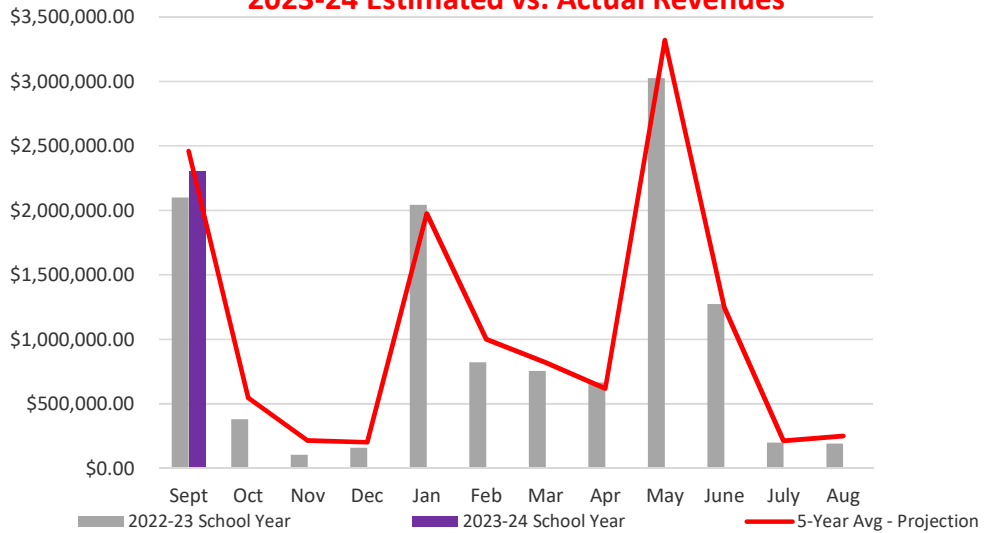
Beginning Reconciled GF Balance = \$2,431,730.31

Month	Projected GF Balance	Actual Reconciled GF Balance	Over/(Under) Projection
September	\$3,607,063.28	\$3,469,471.28	(\$137,592.00)
October	\$3,052,367.22		
November	\$2,177,835.20		
December	\$1,276,953.28		
January	\$2,149,154.11		
February	\$2,078,266.39		
March	\$1,804,441.98		
April	\$1,325,846.37		
May	\$3,526,477.01		
June	\$3,635,346.13		
July	\$2,762,285.54		
August	\$1,815,980.31		

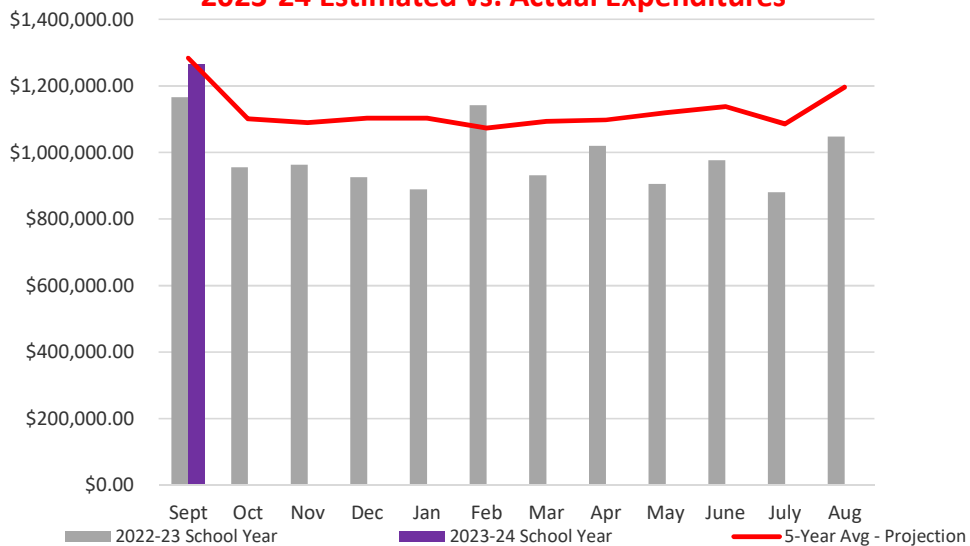
2023-24 Estimated vs. Actual General Fund Balance



2023-24 Estimated vs. Actual Revenues



2023-24 Estimated vs. Actual Expenditures



General Fund Revenues - Thru 09/30/23

Account Description	Adopted Budget	Received	Remaining Balance	Percent Received
01100 - Taxes Levied/Assessed	\$9,309,118.68	\$0.00	\$9,309,118.68	0.00%
01115 - Carline Taxes	\$3,500.00	\$0.00	\$3,500.00	0.00%
01120 - Public Power District Sales Tax	\$35,000.00	\$0.00	\$35,000.00	0.00%
01125 - Motor Vehicle Taxes	\$425,000.00	\$0.00	\$425,000.00	0.00%
01140 - Penalty & Interest on Delinquent Taxes	\$14,250.00	\$0.00	\$14,250.00	0.00%
01323 - SPED Tuition from Other School Districts	\$50,000.00	\$0.00	\$50,000.00	0.00%
01370 - Preschool Tuition and Fees	\$25,000.00	\$5,660.00	\$19,340.00	22.64%
01510 - Interest	\$30,000.00	\$5,974.48	\$24,025.52	19.91%
01910 - Rental of School Facilities & Equipment	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	0.00%
01911 - Local License Fees	\$3,750.00	\$0.00	\$3,750.00	0.00%
01920 - Contributions and Donations	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	0.00%
01921 - Police Court Fines	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	0.00%
01980 - Refund of Prior Year's Expenditures	\$0.00	\$190.93	(\$190.93)	
01990 - Miscellaneous Local Revenue	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00	0.00%
02110 - County Fines & License Fees	\$20,000.00	\$0.00	\$20,000.00	0.00%
03110 - State Aid	\$1,324,923.00	\$132,492.00	\$1,192,431.00	10.00%
03120 - Special Education - School Age	\$1,125,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,125,000.00	0.00%
03180 - Pro-Rate Motor Vehicle	\$20,000.00	\$0.00	\$20,000.00	0.00%
03400 - State Apportionment	\$101,750.00	\$0.00	\$101,750.00	0.00%
03535 - High Ability Learners Payments	\$8,000.00	\$0.00	\$8,000.00	0.00%
04505 - "ESSA Title I, Part A"	\$105,936.00	\$20,950.00	\$84,986.00	19.78%
04509 - "ESSA Title II, Part A"	\$26,034.00	\$0.00	\$26,034.00	0.00%
04516 - IDEA Preschool Base (619)	\$2,467.00	\$0.00	\$2,467.00	0.00%
04518 - IDEA Part B (611) Base & E-P Allocation	\$188,935.00	\$0.00	\$188,935.00	0.00%
04521 - IDEA Non-Public	\$1,110.00	\$0.00	\$1,110.00	0.00%
04525 - Carl Perkins Grant	\$1,000.00	\$870.22	\$129.78	87.02%
04708 - Medicaid in Public Schools (MIPS)	\$20,000.00	\$8,143.29	\$11,856.71	40.72%
04709 - Medicaid Administrative Activities (MAAPS)	\$17,500.00	\$2,958.03	\$14,541.97	16.90%
05300 - Sale of Property	\$5,000.00	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	0.00%
05690 - Other Non-revenue Receipts	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	0.00%
Total	\$12,867,073.68	\$177,238.95	\$12,689,834.73	1.38%

General Fund Expenditures

Account Description	Adopted Budget	Disbursed	Remaining Balance	Percent Spent
01100 - Regular Instruction	\$6,237,917.23	\$992,060.64	\$5,245,856.59	15.90%
01125 - Academic Intervention (Flex Funding)	\$99,357.14	\$16,190.12	\$83,167.02	16.29%
01200 - School Age SPED	\$1,538,537.83	\$207,344.58	\$1,331,193.25	13.48%
01291 - Preschool Age 3-5	\$15,077.25	\$1,216.63	\$13,860.62	8.07%
01292 - Preschool Age 0-2	\$120.79	\$20.79	\$100.00	17.21%
01300 - Summer School	\$21,244.67	\$702.97	\$20,541.70	3.31%
02120 - Guidance Counselor	\$302,270.58	\$52,828.45	\$249,442.13	17.48%
02130 - Health Services	\$81,840.84	\$15,023.33	\$66,817.51	18.36%
02141 - School Psychologist - School Age	\$122,184.73	\$20,390.22	\$101,794.51	16.69%
02151 - Speech Path & Deaf Ed	\$217,049.29	\$29,715.40	\$187,333.89	13.69%
02152 - Speech Path & Deaf Ed	\$800.00	\$0.00	\$800.00	0.00%
02161 - Occupational Therapy	\$37,750.00	\$2,571.75	\$35,178.25	6.81%
02171 - Physical Therapy	\$12,750.00	\$931.50	\$11,818.50	7.31%
02172 - Physical Therapy	\$2,500.00	\$0.00	\$2,500.00	0.00%
02173 - Physical Therapy	\$1,500.00	\$40.50	\$1,459.50	2.70%
02190 - Student Activities	\$202,964.34	\$33,245.52	\$169,718.82	16.38%
02213 - Instructional Staff Training	\$33,000.00	\$0.00	\$33,000.00	0.00%
02220 - Media Center	\$266,849.36	\$50,097.52	\$216,751.84	18.77%
02230 - Technology Support	\$153,228.94	\$30,216.55	\$123,012.39	19.72%
02240 - Assessment Coordinator	\$20,070.18	\$3,446.84	\$16,623.34	17.17%
02310 - Board of Education	\$49,850.00	\$3,651.05	\$46,198.95	7.32%
02320 - Superintendent	\$308,332.74	\$51,234.07	\$257,098.67	16.62%
02330 - District Legal Services	\$50,000.00	\$6,730.60	\$43,269.40	13.46%
02410 - Principal	\$705,147.12	\$116,181.25	\$588,965.87	16.48%
02510 - Business Office	\$229,587.81	\$37,358.40	\$192,229.41	16.26%
02610 - Custodial	\$503,450.00	\$201,406.29	\$302,043.71	40.00%
02620 - Building Maintenance	\$939,490.10	\$145,540.59	\$793,949.51	15.49%
02630 - Grounds Maintenance	\$196,009.22	\$17,695.23	\$178,313.99	9.02%
02640 - Equipment Repair & Maintenance	\$24,597.47	\$3,041.35	\$21,556.12	12.36%
02650 - Non-Pupil Vehicle	\$6,000.00	\$318.04	\$5,681.96	5.30%
02660 - Security	\$44,000.00	\$0.00	\$44,000.00	0.00%
02670 - Safety	\$48,450.00	\$20,374.56	\$28,075.44	42.05%
02710 - School Bus Driving	\$351,455.20	\$106,368.45	\$245,086.75	30.27%
02712 - School Age SPED Driving	\$4,786.23	\$0.00	\$4,786.23	0.00%
02713 - Below Age 5 SPED Driving	\$11,871.57	\$1,382.91	\$10,488.66	11.65%
02730 - School Bus Driving Vehicle Maintenance	\$66,123.09	\$5,783.87	\$60,339.22	8.75%
02732 - School Age SPED Vehicle Maintenance	\$3,000.00	\$0.00	\$3,000.00	0.00%
03535 - High Ability Learners	\$47,839.33	\$6,341.56	\$41,497.77	13.26%
06200 - Title IA	\$146,308.00	\$23,946.45	\$122,361.55	16.37%
06406 - IDEA Preschool (619) Base Allocation	\$2,467.00	\$1,336.50	\$1,130.50	54.18%
06408 - IDEA Part B (611)	\$188,935.00	\$45,816.39	\$143,118.61	24.25%
06412 - IDEA Non-Public	\$1,110.63	\$0.00	\$1,110.63	0.00%
06700 - Carl Perkins	\$2,000.00	\$180.00	\$1,820.00	9.00%
08000 - Transfers (Outgoing)	\$185,000.00	\$105,000.00	\$80,000.00	56.76%
09000 - Reimbursed by Other Funds/Entities	\$0.00	\$734.09	(\$734.09)	
Total	\$13,482,823.68	\$2,356,464.96	\$11,126,358.72	17.48%

Bank Statement Reconciliation

Description

Adjustment Date

Adjustment Amount

Minden High School Activities 09/01/2023 through 09/30/2023

Bank Statement Reconciliation Summary

Statement Balance	\$ 416,480.98
- Outstanding checks	\$ 14,733.84
+ Outstanding Deposits	\$ 0.00
+ Outstanding Adjustments	\$ 0.00
- Outstanding Investment Transfers	\$ 0.00
Total	\$ 401,747.14
+ Investments	\$ 37,000.00
Book Balance	\$ 438,747.14

Checks For Payment Listing

Date	Check Number	Payee	Reason	Amount
10/03/2023	4338	National Bus Sales, Inc.	2012 Chevy Starcraft Bus and Delivery Fee	\$ 54,000.00
10/10/2023	4342	Ameritas Life Insurance Corp.	Ameritas Tsa	\$ 400.00
10/10/2023	4343	Ameritas Life Insurance Corp..	Vision Insurance	\$ 1,212.60
10/10/2023	4344	Blue Cross Blue Shield	Dental Insurance	\$ 594.20
10/10/2023	4344	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District Dental Insurance	\$ 190.79
10/10/2023	4344	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District HDHP Health Ins 2PT	\$ 2,759.74
10/10/2023	4344	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District HDHP Health Ins 9 Mo	\$ 1,412.76
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10/10/2023	4344	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District HDHP Health Ins SNG	\$ 1,345.08
10/10/2023	4344	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District Health Ins 2PT	\$ 36,863.71
10/10/2023	4344	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District Health Ins 9 Mo	\$ 13,126.21
10/10/2023	4344	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District Health Ins FAM	\$ 85,302.36
10/10/2023	4344	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District Health Ins SNG	\$ 7,008.48
10/10/2023	4344	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District Health Ins SPD	\$ 5,662.00
10/10/2023	4344	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District Health Ins Split	\$ 1,602.77
10/10/2023	4344	Blue Cross Blue Shield	Feba Bcbs Dental 2PT	\$ 681.66
10/10/2023	4344	Blue Cross Blue Shield	Feba Bcbs Dental FAM	\$ 1,583.62
10/10/2023	4344	Blue Cross Blue Shield	Feba Bcbs Dental SPD	\$ 75.21
10/10/2023	4345	Fiduciary Trust Company	Flatwater Wealth TSA	\$ 1,000.00
10/10/2023	4346	Horace Mann Life Insurance Company	Horace Mann Life Insurance	\$ 1,275.00
10/10/2023	4347	LVNV Funding, LLC	Kearney County Court - LVNV	\$ 888.04
10/10/2023	4348	Madison National Life Insurance Co., Inc.	Feba Life Insurance	\$ 228.04
10/10/2023	4348	Madison National Life Insurance Co., Inc.	Long-Term Disability	\$ 1,323.98
10/10/2023	4348	Madison National Life Insurance Co., Inc.	Term Life Policy	\$ 472.60
10/10/2023	4349	Minden Exchange Bank & Trust Co.	HSA Contribution	\$ 4,821.57
10/10/2023	4350	Minden Public Schools	District Court	\$ 495.00
10/10/2023	4350	Minden Public Schools	F/b Dependent Care	\$ 3,888.92
10/10/2023	4350	Minden Public Schools	F/b Medical Dental	\$ 4,308.39
10/10/2023	4350	Minden Public Schools	Increased Retirement Percent	\$ 14,379.69
10/10/2023	4350	Minden Public Schools	NE Retirement	\$ 97,570.16
10/10/2023	4351	Minden Public Schools.	Computer Lease Purchase	\$ 509.26
10/10/2023	4352	Mps Payroll	Federal Withholding	\$ 44,390.31
10/10/2023	4352	Mps Payroll	FICA	\$ 71,794.96
10/10/2023	4352	Mps Payroll	Medicare	\$ 16,790.92
10/10/2023	4353	Mps Payroll NE Income Tax	State Withholding - NE	\$ 19,933.64
10/10/2023	4354	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	Business Office Membership Fee	\$ 129.00
10/10/2023	4354	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	HS Custodial & Office Supplies	\$ 378.93
10/10/2023	4354	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	HS Metals Supplies	\$ 13.33
10/10/2023	4354	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	HS Technology Supplies	\$ 2,067.12
10/10/2023	4354	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	MS Building Supplies	\$ 1,799.98
10/10/2023	4354	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	MS Principal Supplies	\$ 24.26
10/10/2023	4354	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	MS SPED Supplies	\$ 49.99
10/10/2023	4354	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	MS Supplies	\$ 133.56
10/10/2023	4355	Aurora Cooperative	Fuel	\$ 4,905.71
10/10/2023	4356	Black Hills Energy	Bus Barn Natural Gas	\$ 40.72
10/10/2023	4356	Black Hills Energy	East Natural Gas	\$ 488.54
10/10/2023	4356	Black Hills Energy	MS & HS Natural Gas	\$ 1,223.04
10/10/2023	4356	Black Hills Energy	MS Activity Building Natural Gas	\$ 317.48
10/10/2023	4357	Business Telecommunication Systems	East Telephone Repair	\$ 274.20
10/10/2023	4358	Carter Electric	HS Water Treatment Pump Wiring	\$ 2,458.90
10/10/2023	4359	Century Link Long Distance	Telephone Services	\$ 5.26
10/10/2023	4360	CenturyLink - Regular Telephone	Telephone Service	\$ 380.72

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Date	Check Number	Payee	Reason	Amount
10/10/2023	4361	City Of Minden	Utilities	\$ 29,500.80
10/10/2023	4362	Clearly Communications	Telephone Services	\$ 798.40
10/10/2023	4363	Coach Masters, Inc.	Coach Bus Repair	\$ 426.55
10/10/2023	4364	Companion	EAST Library Software	\$ 1,000.00
10/10/2023	4364	Companion	MS Library Software	\$ 1,143.00
10/10/2023	4365	Dana F. Cole & Company, LLP	Annual Audit	\$ 7,000.00
10/10/2023	4366	DAS State Accounting - Central Finance	Internet Service	\$ 267.63
10/10/2023	4367	Eakes Office Solutions	Custodial Supplies	\$ 1,206.31
10/10/2023	4368	Echo Electric Supply Co.	MS Lighting Repairs	\$ 412.92
10/10/2023	4369	Educational Service Unit #10	Power School Hosting Fees	\$ 155.89
10/10/2023	4370	Educational Service Unit #11	September Educational Services	\$ 4,358.93
10/10/2023	4371	Elan Financial Services	Central Office Newspaper	\$ 10.99
10/10/2023	4371	Elan Financial Services	HS Web/Cloud Based Software	\$ 5.00
10/10/2023	4371	Elan Financial Services	MS P.E. Supplies	\$ 130.35
10/10/2023	4371	Elan Financial Services	NSCA School Counselor Academy	\$ 180.00
10/10/2023	4372	Engineered Controls, Inc.	HS HVAC Repairs	\$ 1,768.00
10/10/2023	4372	Engineered Controls, Inc.	Service Contract	\$ 1,822.50
10/10/2023	4373	ESU Coordinating Council	HS Media Software	\$ 110.00
10/10/2023	4374	Family Physical Therapy & Sports Center, P.C.	OT/PT Services	\$ 4,941.00
10/10/2023	4375	Heartland Scenic Studio, Inc	HS Theater Lighting Repair	\$ 2,035.49
10/10/2023	4376	Hometown Leasing	Copier & Printer Lease	\$ 3,900.00
10/10/2023	4377	Jim's OK Tire Minden, LLC	Tire Disposal Fee	\$ 45.00
10/10/2023	4378	Johnson Service Co.	MS Roof Drain Repairs	\$ 2,765.00
10/10/2023	4379	Kearney Hub	HS Newspaper Subscription	\$ 377.83
10/10/2023	4380	Landmark Implement Carquest	Bus 22P Repair	\$ 52.38
10/10/2023	4380	Landmark Implement Carquest	Lawnmower Repair	\$ 62.90
10/10/2023	4381	LT Pedley Drug	Nursing Supplies	\$ 702.56
10/10/2023	4382	Mason's Market	Ag Class Supplies	\$ 56.68
10/10/2023	4382	Mason's Market	Foods Class Supplies	\$ 219.06
10/10/2023	4382	Mason's Market	HS Life Skills Supplies	\$ 122.98
10/10/2023	4382	Mason's Market	MS Science Supplies	\$ 11.98
10/10/2023	4382	Mason's Market	Preschool Supplies	\$ 12.76
10/10/2023	4382	Mason's Market	Water Softener Salt	\$ 990.83
10/10/2023	4383	Mid-States Automation & Control, Inc.	East HVAC Repairs	\$ 5,100.35
10/10/2023	4383	Mid-States Automation & Control, Inc.	HS HVAC Repairs	\$ 1,847.50
10/10/2023	4383	Mid-States Automation & Control, Inc.	HS Mechanical Contract	\$ 3,350.00
10/10/2023	4383	Mid-States Automation & Control, Inc.	PS HVAC Repairs	\$ 262.50
10/10/2023	4384	Minden Lumber & Concrete	Bus Barn Repairs	\$ 2.05
10/10/2023	4384	Minden Lumber & Concrete	East Custodial Supplies	\$ 34.99
10/10/2023	4384	Minden Lumber & Concrete	Outdoor Classroom Repair	\$ 18.83
10/10/2023	4384	Minden Lumber & Concrete	Preschool Playground Maintenance	\$ 18.72
10/10/2023	4385	Mosyle Corporation	iPad Management Software	\$ 105.34
10/10/2023	4386	Mps Lunch Fund M.s.	Transfer to Lunch Fund	\$ 50,000.00
10/10/2023	4387	Napa Auto Parts	Bus 00A Repairs	\$ 94.58
10/10/2023	4387	Napa Auto Parts	Handicap Van Repairs	\$ 129.99
10/10/2023	4387	Napa Auto Parts	Transit Bus Repairs	\$ 169.99
10/10/2023	4387	Napa Auto Parts	Transportation Supplies	\$ 153.39
10/10/2023	4388	National Association for Music Education	NAfME/NMEA Membership Dues	\$ 137.00
10/10/2023	4389	NCSA	NCSA School Law Conference	\$ 280.00
10/10/2023	4390	Nebraska Central Equipment	Bus 20P Repair	\$ 225.85
10/10/2023	4390	Nebraska Central Equipment	Transit Bus Repair	\$ 327.16
10/10/2023	4391	Nebraska Safety Center	Bus Driver Training	\$ 400.00

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10/10/2023	4392	One Source	Background Checks	\$ 117.00
10/10/2023	4393	Perry, Guthery, Haase & Gessford, P.C., L.L.O	Legal Services	\$ 2,851.20
10/10/2023	4394	PPG Architectural Finishes	Grounds Supplies	\$ 354.12
10/10/2023	4395	Presto-X Company	East Pest Control Services	\$ 56.14
10/10/2023	4395	Presto-X Company	HS Pest Control Services	\$ 52.48
10/10/2023	4395	Presto-X Company	MS Pest Control Services	\$ 61.02
10/10/2023	4396	Rapid Fire Protection, Inc.	Bus Barn Fire Sprinkler Inspection	\$ 250.00
10/10/2023	4397	Richard Widdifield	Coach Bus Service	\$ 844.75
10/10/2023	4397	Richard Widdifield	Transit Bus Service	\$ 1,427.41
10/10/2023	4398	Rutt's Heating & Air Conditioning, Inc.	MS Building Repairs	\$ 6,342.00
10/10/2023	4399	Schindler Elevator Corporation	Elevator Maintenance Agreement	\$ 256.50
10/10/2023	4400	Scholastic Magazines	East Classroom Magazines	\$ 92.10
10/10/2023	4401	Shane Schmidt Construction, Inc.	MS Roof Repairs	\$ 235.00
10/10/2023	4402	Spracklin Chiropractic	Bus Driver Physical	\$ 90.00
10/10/2023	4403	Stelling Brass & Winds, Inc.	Band Instrument Repairs	\$ 1,737.50
10/10/2023	4404	Syndicate Publishing, LLC	Board Advertising Costs	\$ 247.50
10/10/2023	4404	Syndicate Publishing, LLC	Board Meeting Minutes	\$ 64.71
10/10/2023	4404	Syndicate Publishing, LLC	Board Meeting Notices	\$ 239.16
10/10/2023	4405	TAESE/USU	Tri State SPED Law Conference	\$ 1,020.00
10/10/2023	4406	U.S. Post Office	Postage	\$ 832.60
10/10/2023	4407	Verizon Wireless	Wireless Hot Spot Data Plan	\$ 160.04
10/10/2023	4408	Village Uniform	East Mop & Mat Service	\$ 139.15
10/10/2023	4408	Village Uniform	HS Mop & Mat Service	\$ 857.28
10/10/2023	4408	Village Uniform	MS Mop & Mat Service	\$ 332.11
10/10/2023	4409	Widdifield, James T	September Reimbursement	\$ 171.93
10/10/2023	4410	Woodward's Disposal Service, Inc.	Shredding Service	\$ 60.00
10/10/2023	4411	Wright Express Fleet Services	Fuel	\$ 1,686.54
10/10/2023	4412	Yanda's Music	MS Gym Sound System Repair	\$ 150.10
10/10/2023	4413	Ziemba Roofing Company	MS Activities Gym Repairs	\$ 2,752.00
10/10/2023	4414	Minden Hardware	Supplies, Repairs, & UPS Shipping	\$ 72.74
10/10/2023	EFT	Minden Exchange Bank - EFT	Direct Deposit Fees	\$ 34.00
Subtotal				\$ 683,848.25
Net Payroll - October 2023				\$ 406,555.97
Total General Fund Disbursements - October 2023				\$ 1,090,404.22

Secretary Kevin Raun

Lunch Fund Checks and Liabilities

Check Number	Date	Payee	Reason	Amount
EFT	9/8/2023	US Foods	Commodities	\$ 5,837.13
5899	9/8/2023	LinPepCo Partnership	Beverages	\$ 673.05
5900	9/8/2023	Hiland Dairy	Milk Products	\$ 2,753.92
5901	9/8/2023	Cash-wa Distributing Co.	Commodities	\$ 21,562.59
5902	9/8/2023	Mason's Market	Commodities	\$ 35.44
5903	9/8/2023	Village Uniform	Kitchen Apron & Rag Service	\$ 179.10
5906	9/8/2023	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	Kitchen Sink Sprayer Parts	\$ 123.75
5907	9/8/2023	Dollar General	Kitchen Supplies	\$ 13.88
5908	9/8/2023	Innovative Office Solutions	Kitchen Supplies - Coop Order	\$ 766.56
5909	9/8/2023	Riley, Sarah K	Lunch Account Refund	\$ 64.50
431	10/10/2023	Ameritas Life Insurance Corp..	EE Vision Insurance Premiums	\$ 47.60
432	10/10/2023	Blue Cross Blue Shield	Health & Dental Insurance Premiums	\$ 6,501.61
433	10/10/2023	Madison National Life Insurance Co., Inc.	EE FEBA Life Insurance Premiums	\$ 8.46
433	10/10/2023	Madison National Life Insurance Co., Inc.	EE Life Insurance Premiums	\$ 10.15
433	10/10/2023	Madison National Life Insurance Co., Inc.	Long Term Disability	\$ 23.65
434	10/10/2023	Minden Public Schools	EE & ER Retirement Contributions	\$ 2,547.91
434	10/10/2023	Minden Public Schools	Employee FEBA - Medical/Dental	\$ 208.34
435	10/10/2023	Mps Payroll	EE & ER FICA, Medicare, & Federal Income Tax	\$ 2,638.54
436	10/10/2023	Mps Payroll NE Income Tax	EE Nebraska Income Tax Withholding	\$ 322.68
Subtotal				\$ 44,318.86
Net Payroll - October 2023				\$ 10,276.05
Total Lunch Fund Disbursements				\$ 54,594.91

Building Fund Liabilities

Check Number	Date	Payee	Reason	Amount
606	10/10/2023	CMBA Architects	HS Parking Lot Expansion - Preliminary	\$ 143.75
606	10/10/2023	CMBA Architects	MS Front Entry Renovation - Preliminary	\$ 431.25
Total Building Fund Disbursements - October 2023				\$ 575.00



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**OCTOBER 2023 BOARD MEETING
MIDDLE SCHOOL ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL/ATHLETIC DIRECTOR REPORT**

The month of September is always busy and goes by very quickly but it's also jam packed with excitement for our students. They are excited to be back with their friends and seeing their teachers as well as practicing their chosen sport and competing on the course, field, and court!

We are most of the way through the first quarter as Thursday, October 19th is the last day. Our football team has 26 players on the team-15 8th graders and -11 7th graders. They have played very well together as a team. In most contests they will play a full 4-quarter game with a mix of mostly 8th graders and some 7th graders that make up their A team. After the game they will play two more quarters getting more time for the B team players that don't get much or any time in the A game. The coaches have done a great job with the team this season. The coaches are Tyler Egenberger, Dan Wilson, Trak Lewis, and Donnie Miller. They have two games yet this season: @Kearney Catholic October 9th and at home vs. Cozad on October 16th.

The middle school cross country team is made up of 10 girls and 8 boys. Many of these athletes trained during the summer with the high school runners and they are in very good shape! They have competitions in the morning when it's cooler and also some competitions after school in the heat of the afternoon. Their last competition was at Wild Horse in Gothenburg. The girls team placed first with 4 girls finishing in the top 16! The boys team finished 5th with 2 boys finishing in the top 10! Their final race will be Middle School State at Papillion South Saturday, October 7th. Good luck to both teams!

Our volleyball teams have played 7 matches so far this season with a couple more next week on the road. Both teams have done a great job working together as a team. The 7th grade volleyball team is made up of 14 players and the 8th grade has 21 players. Both teams normally get to play three levels so all players get a quite a bit of time. Both of these teams have been tough for teams to handle. The volleyball teams finish their season next Monday at Lexington and Tuesday in Holdrege.

Our school system partnered with Ecsell Sports this school to help with professional development both in teaching and coaching. In early September our middle school athletes took 10-15 minutes during their first period filling out a survey/questionnaire for their coaches. I plan to share the information with each coach with the intention of them learning more about the experience their athletes are getting through the sport they are coaching. The goal is for each coach to see their strengths and select a couple growth areas for them to work on improving for the next season. I look forward to seeing growth in all of our coaches.

New to the middle school class opportunities this school year is a strength/conditioning class for 7th-8th grade students. Mr. Wragge teaches the class 3rd and 8th periods each day where he has a total of 30 students in those two classes. So far all I have heard is positive feedback from the students. I look forward to seeing how this class grows and changes in the near future.

The end of the first quarter is Thursday, October 19th and with that comes the transition into winter sports! Girls have the opportunity to play basketball and the boys can wrestle. Sports meetings will occur early in the week of October 23rd as well as practices will start that week. Girls basketball will play in 9-10 games and the boys wrestling schedule has 7 tournaments and we host on November 20th and December 11th.

Minden High School

October 2023

Board of Education Report



Homecoming Week:

Homecoming Week was a resounding success! Our students showcased their school spirit and enthusiasm throughout the week, and I couldn't be prouder. Our activities all had a successful week with their competitions. The pep rally, parade, football game, and dance were all highlights, and I want to extend a big thank you to everyone who participated and supported our school during this festive time.

Supreme Court Outreach at Minden High School:

On Friday, October 6, Minden High School hosted the Nebraska Supreme Court for two cases. The Performing Arts Center was transformed into a courtroom for the day, and the Court will hear arguments in two cases as part of their educational outreach. Minden is very fortunate to be able to host this wonderful opportunity for students to learn about the state court system. Students from seven area schools will be joining us for the event along with several special guests including District Judge Terry Harder and other past Minden High graduates who are now working in our legal field. I would also like to thank Mr. Martin for organizing this outstanding event and I would like to thank the custodians, Mr. Horner and his One Act Play crew for making sure our stage and prep areas were prepared for the Nebraska State Supreme Court Judges and support staff.

Fall Parent/Teacher Attendance Numbers:

The attendance rate at this year's Fall Parent/Teacher Conferences was 43%. This rate remained consistent with our post-Covid attendance totals. We have experienced a 10% drop in attendance since 2017.

Minden High School-Student Council

The high school student council started the year with traditional activities and outreach.

Some student council members were present during freshman orientation to answer any questions the freshmen might have about the building or their classes.

Preparing for Homecoming has been the main focus of September, and Homecoming will end just as near the start of October. "Beat Bow" is the theme. Student council members are organizing the homecoming days, parade, coronation, and dance.

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As a way to connect and lead the student body, student council members have organized "Welcome Wednesdays." On Wednesdays, two student council members greet all students who are entering the school. They hand out a small treat. The goal is to help create a connection and to make sure all students feel visible. We started this outreach several years ago, and it has been well received by staff and students.

Last year, the student council members had lunch with East and CLJ students during lunch. We hope to make this a tradition for the student council.

The student council also has several upcoming commitments. We will be contributing to the Veterans Day program by speaking and handing out programs. In the second semester, we will focus on an outreach project.

We have an amazing student body that is represented by 49 terrific student council members who represent their respective classes, organizations, and activities.

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October 2023 BOARD MEETING
ACTIVITY DIRECTOR REPORT

GENERAL:

The beginning of October brings about postseason play for many of our sports programs. Our coaches and sponsors have been working diligently to put our athletes in positions to be successful. Many of our teams are enjoying a high level of success and we are excited for the opportunities that lay in front of us for postseason play! I want to thank the coaches for their hard work to not only prepare our participants skill wise, but also for their efforts to continuously stress the importance of team building and sportsmanship.

FALL ACTIVITY UPDATE:

Football: Over the past month, our football team has posted some big wins over Kearney Catholic, Fairbury, and Holdrege! In the month of September the Varsity football team won 4 straight games before falling to Aurora last week. The football team now heads into our Homecoming matchup with Broken Bow looking to get back on track! The varsity team has three games remaining on their schedule and sit at 4-2 and it looks like we need to win at least 2 of our final 3 games to qualify for the state playoffs for a second straight year. The JV program is doing well also and they have shown a great deal of improvement as the season has gone. The JV team has two games remaining, both at home on October 9th and October 16th.

Volleyball: The varsity volleyball team has continued through a tough stretch in their schedule over the past few weeks. They have performed very well and have played several top ranked opponents. The varsity team continues to run through competition and currently sits with a 24-0 record in games and a set record of 54-1! This team is certainly something special and we look forward to seeing them continue to grow and improve as we reach the end of the season. The Whippet volleyball team is currently the unanimous #1 ranked team in class C1 and is also ranked in the Top 10 All Class Rankings in the Omaha World Herald at #8!. The Southwest Conference Tournament remains on the schedule which will be another huge test for our girls. We are hoping we will host another Sub District and District Final towards the end of October!

Cross Country: Results from the season

High School - <https://www.athletic.net/team/10897/cross-country/2023>

Middle School - <https://www.athletic.net/team/34116/cross-country/2023>

Middle School

Minden Invite - Boys - 3 Girls - 2

Milford Invite - Boys - 1 Girls - 1

Minden Classic - Boys - 2 Girls - 2

Central City Invite - Boys - 8 Girls - 1

Adams Central Invite - Boys - 2 Girls - 1

Gothenburg Invite - Boys - 5 Girls - 1

The MS Boys have some strong individual runners on the team and some solid runners around them to make for a solid team in the future.

The MS Girls are a special group as they have only lost to last years 3rd place state team (Gothenburg) and avenged that loss last week in Gothenburg. Kearney Horizon beat them in a close race at the Minden Classic. We

expect to be in the hunt for a SWC Championship in Ogallala Thursday and we hope to be in the top 3 at the all class state middle school meet in Papillion on Saturday.

High School

Minden Invite - Boys - 4 Girls - 5
Milford Invite - Boys - 2 Girls - 3
Minden Classic - Boys - 1 Girls - 1
Central City Invite - Boys - 4 Girls - 5
Ft Calhoun Invite - Boys - 5 Girls - 6
UNK Invite - Boys - 8 Girls - 18 (42 Teams)
Gothenburg Invite - Boys - 3 Girls - 3

Sam Cederburg has been a consistent medalist this fall - earning a 9th place finish at the UNK Invite out of 339 runners was pretty special. Alexa Warner was 15th out of 193 runners at the UNK Invite which was extremely impressive.

Our program goals are to always be in the Top 2 in the SWC and District Championships. Both of our teams are sitting in a position where those goals are attainable as the championship season is upon us. Thursday - SWC @ Ogallala, Nex Thursday Districts @ Hastings

Softball: The first season of the coop between Minden Adams Central and Holdrege proved to be a huge success. The team was very competitive all season long and was playing some of their best softball at the end of the season when it mattered the most. The team fell to a very solid McCook team in the Sub District tournament 9-8 in a really great game. The Minden girls on the team really bought into the coaching staff and they improved as softball players a great deal by the end of the season. The coaches have commented to me that many of our girls have already started talking about next year and how they are excited for the future knowing they have a chance to compete on a consistent basis. I want to thank specifically Coach Tara Johnson (Minden assistant) as well as Coach Jason Hale (head coach) for how they were able to work with the girls and bring them together as one team. I am more certain than ever that this coop will allow our girls to grow their skills and boost their confidence as they learn how to compete at a higher level each season!

Girls Golf: The girls golf team competed at the district meet in Grand Island on Wednesday October 4th. The team performed very well finishing with a District Runner Up and only 2 shots behind the district champion Broken Bow. While Broken Bow is going for their 4th consecutive state championship, our girls are close behind and we are hoping to have a chance to top them at state. Individual district medalists were Callie Whitten 9th, Kara Suchsland 3rd, and KayLynn Jorgensen 2nd! The State Championship for Girls Golf is scheduled for October 9th and 10th at Lake Maloney Golf Course in North Platte.

We've had 13 meets so far this season. The team has placed 1st in 8 of those meets and 2nd in 5 of those meets. Our team has broken three records this year including lowest 9-hole team score, lowest 9-hole individual score, and lowest 18-hole individual score.

We want to thank the school and the community for their support this season, and we hope to make you proud at the state tournament. If you see the girls, give them a high five and a "good luck."

Play Production: Play production is 92 members strong. We are embarking upon a pirate's journey to tell a treasure island story. The play is called "Into The Crimson Shallows," and it is an adaptation of Treasure Island. The cast and crew are students involved in all the different sports and activities the school offers so practicing in September has been challenging to schedule. As the fall sports seasons conclude, we will be able to add more practices and work toward being ready for our first festival on Monday, November 6 in Ord. In addition, we will perform for the community on Tuesday, November 14. We host our 7th annual festival on November 18. Thirteen other schools will head to Minden that day to perform their plays. The day starts at 8:00 and ends with Minden's performance in the early evening. Conference play production is in Ainsworth on November 21. Minden has been selected to host our district contest on November 29. The class B state meet is set for December 8 in Norfolk. It promises to be a fun, busy, and exciting season!

Marching Band:

- Band was able to debut the brand new uniforms at the 2nd home football game.
- The band has the following performances coming up
 - 10/6 Homecoming Parade (7/8th Grade also performs) and Football Game
 - 10/ 7 Harvest of Harmony in Grand Island. Parade at 8:15 AM (#14 in the parade). 12:00 PM field show at GISH.
 - 10/14 Minden Bandfest (High School and 7/8th Grade) - 1:00 PM Parade and 3:00 PM field show competition. **41 Schools** are coming to Minden this year.
 - 10/20 Home Football Game
 - 10/21 NSBA State Marching 10/21 at Kearney High School. We perform at 3:15 PM
- The high school band has 44 members this year.
- Thank you for your support of the Whippet Band program as we continue to grow and improve. This is our 3rd year back performing in field marching competitions (took 2019 and 2020 off) and we are excited to have color guard and our jazz band program back for the 2nd year in a row (took 2019-2021 off). We hope to continue our success from last season after receiving multiple Superior ratings at contests. One of the Superior ratings we earned last season was at the NSBA State Field Marching Contest, which is the first Superior at that contest since the Fall of 2009!

FCCLA: Use the link below to access information from Mrs. Johnson for a full report:

[FCCLA Update Report](#)

FFA: The Minden FFA Chapter is getting busy for the 23-24 school year! This year we have 63 high school FFA members and 33 8th grade members. On Wednesday, Oct. 4th we had 34 members compete in the Southwest Area Land Judging Contest. Next, we will be preparing for Livestock Judging, Floriculture, and 8th Grade Quiz Bowl.

In September, our chapter attended Husker Harvest Days where we took 55 members and donated 291 lbs of canned food items to the Heartland United Way Food Bank. We also completed our annual highway cleanup and picked up trash along Hwy 10 between J Rd and Patriot Equipment.

Next up in October, we plan to plant trees at White Hill Cemetery, paint pumpkins at the elementary with preschoolers and teach them about how a pumpkins grow, kickoff our annual fundraiser, pass out meals to farmers at CPI, and host a leadership night with Axtell FFA to celebrate the National FFA Convention.

RECOGNITION:

I want to thank all of the staff and community members who have assisted by filling in roles needed to host our home events. It takes a substantial amount of help to be able to host our home events, and without people giving their time and energy, it would not be possible. I appreciate everyone's commitment to Minden Public Schools activity programs!

Jason Strong

Minden Public Schools
C.L. Jones Middle School
October 2023
Report to the Board of Education
Mrs. Chelsey Jensen, Administrator

The following information is a list of highlights at C.L. Jones Middle School:

September Whippet of the Month-

Each month, staff will select students to nominate with the title of **“Whippet of the Month”**. The names of these students will be placed into a drawing. At the end of the month, Mrs. Jensen and Mr. Rowse will draw two names from each grade level to recognize their outstanding character, behavior, and academic performance.

Congratulations to the following students:

Ashton Ellebrecht, Vincent Hansen, Eli Kuehn, Amelia Collins, Braxton Thull, Marissa Wellman, Hallie Hartman, Josa Ciemnoczolowski, Kennedy Eckhardt, Jaelyn Trew, Jayden Miller, and Jurzeeh Lennemann.



Future Problem Solvers-

The 6th, 7th, and 8th grade Future Problem Teams are busy working on their first problem of the year entitled: Tourism. The students are busy brainstorming challenges and solutions based on having "Voluntourists" being part of the ecological recovery program in the Sea of Cortez near Mexico. It is proving to be a very challenging topic for our students as writing many varied types of solutions is quite complex. The FPS students are only required to complete 3 of the 6 steps for the first practice problem.

The next topic the FPS teams will be tackling is that of an Urban Shift. In the second problem, the teams will complete the entire 6-step process by their December deadline. This process is a great way to provide enrichment opportunities for our students to develop their writing skills and implement problem-solving strategies, as they decide on critical factors facing them within a fictitious future scene.

8th Grade Field Trip-

Each year the Tri-Basin Natural Resources District, in Holdrege, holds the 8th Grade Rainwater Basin Conservation Day field trip for schools in Kearney, Phelps, and Gosper counties. The goal of the sessions presented is to make students aware of various conservation efforts taking place within their office as well as other NRD's throughout the state. Topics the 8th graders learn- water conservation efforts, the geology of the area, how various plants/trees are identified in the field, and how wetlands are essential for many aspects of keeping our environment healthy. This field trip has been taking place since the early 1970's, still proving that informing people of the conservation efforts taking place in our area is important to everyone, not just our farmers.

This year, the class also ventured to the Nebraska Prairie Museum in Holdrege. Mr. Lewis presented an account of the POW camp that was located near Atlanta, NE during WWII. While Mr. Lewis was presenting, the other groups of students were exploring the various rooms in the museum. For many of the students, this was their first visit to the Nebraska Prairie Museum and they had a very enjoyable time looking through the exhibits.

UNK Practicum Students-

We were excited to welcome UNK students from the TE 100 course into our building on September 12, 2023, to observe in various classrooms. The staff and I were able to visit with the UNK students and professor to give a building tour, discuss district demographics, and answer various questions regarding education. The UNK students will visit our building to observe again in October, November, and December. We value our partnership with UNK and welcome those students back anytime!

CLJMS Student Council Food Drive-

Student Council is hosting a monthly food drive to help keep our local food pantry stocked throughout the year. From now until October 18th, we are collecting breakfast foods and snack foods. Thank you, CLJMS Student Council!

Flu Shot Clinic-

Flu Shot information and sign-up sheets are in the MS office. Immunizations will be given at CLJMS on October 16, 2023. Please contact Nurse Julie Anderson with questions.

CLJMS Parent Advisory Committee (PAC)-

We are grateful to have an amazing group of parent volunteers to support our staff and students at CLJMS. Our current PAC members include- Lindsay Buechler, Kyle Jensen, Carli Oberg, Katie Craig, Valarie Grollmes, and Whitney Eden. A huge thank you to this group for the wonderful snacks/ meals during parent-teacher conferences!

Spirit Week (from our MS Student Council)-



After- School Study Hall-

After-school study hall is available for all CLJMS students Monday through Thursday from 3:30- 4:00 p.m. This is a great opportunity for students to get extra academic support in any subject area.

Important Upcoming Dates-

October 14- Minden Bandfest
October 19- End of first quarter
October 20- No School

Minden Public School Board of Education Report
Mrs. Sandy Pohl, Principal
October, 2023

Homecoming week is a time to show school spirit and pride. East Elementary and the Minden Public Preschool took part in fun dress up days throughout the week and ended in a finale of a pep rally with the highschool cheerleaders. A fun tradition we love is singing the school fight song together every Friday. If you ask an East Elementary student, more than likely they will be able to sing the song from beginning to end with pride.

There was almost a 100% attendance at this fall's parent/teacher conferences. Positive partnerships between families and schools contributes to the overall success of children's academic and social development. During these conferences, the focus of collaboration included areas of strength, areas for growth, and strategies to best support each individual child at home and at school. We are grateful to our families' acknowledgement of the importance of this collaboration time.

Third graders enjoyed an "Animals Inside and Out" day at the Kearney County Fairgrounds on October 3rd.

The Minden Community For Kids began distributing a survey to members of our community throughout parent/teacher conference week, and this survey remains open. Thus far, 271 members have completed the survey. Results will be compiled and shared upon completion.

Recognizing beyond the classroom involvement:

Mrs. Stepp is completing her second season of being an assistant cross country coach. Community members can often see her running alongside the middle school and high school runners during practices. The team is having a season to be proud of!

Mr. McCarthy is an assistant high school football coach for the Whippets. Mr. McCarthy applies what he learned as a division I college football player at the University of Montana in order to coach the Whippets to their successful season.

Mrs. Miller is an assistant high school volleyball coach for the Whippets. Playing as a former Whippet athlete gives her the drive to continue the tradition of a strong program.

Mrs. Armstrong serves as a middle school volleyball coach. Not only does she have personal experience as a volleyball player, but she comes from a family of coaches. She supports students' volleyball skills, but also is a positive role model for the young student athletes.

Superintendent Report

Meeting: October Board Meeting

Date: 10/9/23

Mr. Widdifield

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Topics:

Roof: We had a good test with our roof at East Elementary last Tuesday. The coating of the roof that was done this summer held up. We need to discuss the activity gym and roof, lights, and structure options.

Bus: The minibus was delivered on Tuesday last week. It is super nice and will tremendously help routes and other activities.

Reports: The NDE reporting season is in full swing. There are several documents we need to get to the state this month. I appreciate the help from Jeremy and Laurie in getting me the necessary information to finish these reports. Sped financials go in at the end of the month.

Thank You: I want to thank Jeremy, Laurie, and Beth for all they do to keep the district office and myself on the right track. They do an outstanding job helping the admin and staff. I appreciate the time and dedication to our district.

Thank you to our admin team. It is National Principal Month, and our administration team does an outstanding job in and out of the school. I appreciate the time and dedication this quarter covering games, PT conferences, in-service, and working with staff, students, and parents.

StudentsOption EnrollmentA. Process and Time Lines to Option In

For a student to attend Minden Public Schools as an option enrollment student, the student's parent or legal guardian must submit an application to the Board of Education of the Minden Public School District between September 1 and March 15 for enrollment during the following and subsequent school years (the "application period").

Upon receipt of an application, the Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee shall provide the resident school district with the name of the applicant on or before April 1 or, in the case of an application submitted after March 15, within sixty days after submission.

Provisions for Waiver of Application Deadline:

The application deadline will **not** be waived by the School District for applications to option into the Minden Public School District, except in the following circumstances:

1. Siblings: The application deadline will be waived where the application is for a student who is the sibling of a student attending Minden Public Schools as of the time the application is filed, provided the application is filed at least 30 days prior to the semester in which first enrollment is sought. A "sibling" for this purpose means a child who resides in the same household on a permanent basis with a student who is currently attending Minden Public Schools and who has the same natural or adoptive parent or who is a stepbrother or stepsister.
2. Kindergarten: The application deadline will be waived where the application is for a student who is seeking to enroll and attend the Kindergarten grade level provided the application was filed on or before June 1 prior to the first semester of the next school year.
3. Release Approval: The application must contain a release approval from the resident district for the foregoing exceptions.
4. Other Conditions: The waiver of the deadline in the above circumstances does not require acceptance of the application, as such applications may be rejected for reasons other than late filing.
5. Capacity: For the foregoing exceptions, the application deadline shall not be waived if the application is for enrollment in any program, class, grade level or school building operated by this School District which have been determined by the School District to be at capacity in accordance with the capacity standards (Appendix "1"), and no waiver of the deadline shall be made for such an application regardless of whether such capacity determinations are declared invalid for any reason. For any option application for a student that would receive or could be eligible to receive special education or related services, the Director of Special Education or designee shall conduct a case-by-case analysis to determine if the District has the capacity to

provide the student with the appropriate services and accommodations.

6. Capacity for Late Filed Applications: Where an application is filed for enrollment in the same school year in which enrollment is sought, the “projected enrollment” determinations made pursuant to paragraph D shall be replaced with the “actual enrollment” as of the first day of school for the year of application, as determined by the Superintendent or the Superintendent’s designee, but only in the event such actual enrollment is higher than the projected enrollment. Actual enrollment shall include all students in attendance and all students registered to attend (even if not in actual attendance on the first day).

B. Rejection of Applications; Reasons

1. Capacity: An option enrollment application shall be rejected in the event the capacity of a program, class, grade level, or school building operated by the School District would be exceeded by acceptance of the application, and an option enrollment application shall be rejected in the event the application is for enrollment in a program, class, grade level, or school building which has been declared unavailable to option students due to lack of capacity.

The Director of Special Education shall review on a case-by-case basis all option applications for students that would receive or could be eligible to receive special education or related services. If the Director or designee determines that the District does not have the capacity to provide the student with the appropriate services and accommodations, then the Director or designee shall send a denial notice to the parent(s) or guardian(s) and include a description of services and accommodations that the District does not have the capacity to provide.

2. Timeliness: An option enrollment application shall be rejected in the event the application is not filed on or before the April 1st immediately preceding the school year in which enrollment is sought, and the filing deadline has not been waived.
3. Previous Option Enrollment: An option enrollment application shall be rejected in the event the student has previously filed an option enrollment application for enrollment in any School District and has had such application accepted, unless a statutory exception to the “one-time” rule is applicable to the student’s circumstance.
4. Other Reasons: An option enrollment application may be rejected in the event the Superintendent, the Superintendent’s designee, or the School District determines: The application is not submitted on a form prescribed by the State Department of Education, is not completely and accurately filled in, is not received within the time required by law, or any additional information requested to be supplied is not supplied to the School District within the time lines indicated; or in the event acceptance of the application is not required by law. Matters which are legally prohibited from being considered as standards for acceptance or rejection of applications (including “previous academic achievement, athletic or extracurricular ability, disabilities, proficiency in the English language, or previous disciplinary

proceedings” and further including, without limitation, race, national origin, and gender) shall not be considered as reasons for acceptance or rejection.

C. Priority of Acceptance

Priority shall be accorded in the following order: (1) first, to those applications required to be given priority by law, (2) second, to those with a sibling in attendance at Minden Public Schools, with priority within this group being given to those who had earliest filed applications, and (3) third to those without an option student sibling in attendance at Minden Public Schools, with priority within this group to those who had earliest filed applications.

Filing date determinations are made by the Superintendent or the Superintendent’s designee. In the event applications within a group are received at the same or substantially the same time, priority as between such same-date applications shall be determined on the basis of random drawing.

D. Determination of Capacity

The School District will determine and set, on an annual basis, the maximum number of option enrollment applications the School District will accept in any program, class, grade level or school building operated by this School District, based upon available staff, facilities, projected enrollment of resident students, projected number of students with which this School District will contract based on existing contractual arrangements, and may declare a program, class or school unavailable to option students due to lack of capacity. Such determinations may be made in the form of an Appendix “1” to this Policy. The determination and declaration made for any school year shall continue in effect for the next and subsequent school years unless otherwise determined and/or declared. The capacity for special education services shall be determined on a case-by-case basis as determined by the Director of Special Education or designee.

E. Releases for Options Out

A request for release of a resident student of the Minden Public School District who submits an enrollment option application after March 15 or any other statutory deadline will be granted only on the following conditions:

1. Kindergarten: A release will be granted where the application is for a student who is seeking to enroll and attend the Kindergarten grade level provided the application was filed on or before June 1 prior to the first semester of the next school year.
2. Siblings: A release will be granted where the application would allow the student to attend the same school as a sibling, provided the application is filed at least 30 days prior to the semester in which first enrollment is sought. A “sibling” for this purpose means a child who resides in the same household on a permanent basis with a student who is currently enrolled in the option district and who has the same natural or adoptive parent or who is a stepbrother or stepsister.
3. Educational Programming: A release will be granted where the needs of the student require the District to obtain additional staffing or equipment and it is in the best

interests of the District and the student to enroll in the option district. The determination of whether this condition is met shall be made by the Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee.

4. No Pending Expulsion: The deadline shall not be waived if the administration is considering or has recommended expulsion of the student at the time the application is filed, and the administration determines it is appropriate to complete the expulsion process.

The Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee is hereby authorized to execute such releases on behalf of the School District and the School District, subject to subsequent ratification by the School District.

F. Notification of Acceptance or Rejection

In the case of an application to option enroll into the Minden Public School District, the Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee shall notify, in writing, the parent or legal guardian of the student and the resident school district whether the application is accepted or rejected on or before April 1 or, in the case of an application submitted after March 15, within sixty days after submission.

If an option enrollment application or a request for release is rejected by the Minden Public School District, the Superintendent or the Superintendent's designee shall provide written notification to the parent or guardian stating the reasons for the rejection and the process for appealing such rejection to the State Board of Education. Such notification shall be sent by certified mail.

G. Applications Subsequent to Relocations or Mergers

An option enrollment application does not require a release and shall be accepted or rejected within forty-five days after filing in the following circumstances:

1. the student relocated to a different resident school district after February 1, or
2. the student's option school district merged with another district effective after February 1, and
3. the application is for attendance during the immediately following and subsequent school years.

H. Status of Option Student

A student who is admitted under the enrollment option program shall be treated as a resident student, and in such regard shall be required to provide such enrollment information and documentation as is required for enrollment of other students (e.g., certified birth certificate and evidence of physical examination, visual evaluation and immunization), shall be required to be enrolled on a full-time basis, and shall be required to adhere to student conduct rules. The building assignment for an option student, as well as classroom and grade level assignments, shall be determined by the administration.

An option student shall not be entitled to transportation except as required by law. Transportation or transportation reimbursement will be provided in the following circumstances:

1. The Minden Public School District may, upon mutual agreement with the parent or legal guardian of an option student, provide transportation to the option student on the same basis as provided for resident students. The school district may charge the parents of each option student transported a fee sufficient to recover the additional costs of such transportation.
2. Option students who qualify for free lunches are eligible for either free transportation or transportation reimbursement from the option school district. The District's policy is that the District selects which service (transportation or reimbursement) is to be provided to students.
3. For option students receiving special education services, the transportation services required in the student's Individualized Education Plan shall be provided by the resident school district.

I. Information Regarding Schools, Programs, Policies and Procedures.

As part of the option enrollment program, the administration shall make information about the Minden Public Schools and its school, programs, policies and procedures available to all interested persons and shall have a copy of the option enrollment policy and regulations available at each school building.

Legal Reference: Neb. Rev. Stat. Sections 79-232 to 79-246

Date of Adoption: [Insert Date]

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the School Board is required by law to adopt by resolution policies and specific standards for acceptance or rejection of option enrollment applications by October 15th for the following school year; and,

WHEREAS, the School Board has received and reviewed evidence and information submitted by the administration and other sources and made determinations thereon with respect to standards for acceptance or rejection and with respect to the capacity of this school district to accept option enrollment students based upon available staff, available facilities, projected enrollment, and availability of special education programs for the following school year; and,

WHEREAS, the School Board has determined that the educational interests of this school district would be best served by adopting the resolutions and the policies and specific standards herein contained.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Option Enrollment Policy presented to the School Board as Policy 5006, and Appendix "1" to such Policy 5006, should be and the same are hereby adopted, and any previous policy or interpretation or application of the option enrollment program which is or has been inconsistent with the Policy 5006, and Appendix "1" to such Policy 5006, are repealed effective on the date of the passage of this resolution,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all paragraphs, subparagraphs, and portions of words of this Resolution, of Policy 5006, and Appendix "1" to such Policy 5006 are severable and that in the event any of the same are determined to be invalid for any reason, such determination shall not affect the validity of any of the remainder of the same.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that policies and specific standards for acceptance or rejection of option enrollment applications should be and are hereby adopted for applications filed after the adoption of this resolution and are hereinafter set forth:

The above Resolution, having been read in its entirety, member _____ moved for its passage and adoption, and member _____ seconded the same. After discussion and on roll call vote, the following members voted in favor of passage and adoption of the above Resolution: _____.
The following members voted against the same: _____.
The following members were absent or not voting: _____.
The Resolution, having been consented to and approved by a majority of the members of the School Board, was declared as passed and adopted by the President at a duly held and lawfully convened meeting in full compliance with the Nebraska open meetings law.

DATED this ____ day of _____, 20__.

MINDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

By: _____
President

Attest: _____
Secretary

Appendix “1” to Option Enrollment Policy

The following is Appendix “1” to Policy 5006 for the current school year. The Board of Education hereby sets forth the maximum number of option students for the current school year in any program, class, grade level, or school building or in any special education programs operated by this school district based upon available staff, facilities, projected enrollment of resident students, the projected number of students with which this school district will contract based on existing contractual arrangements, and availability of appropriate special education programs. Any program, class, grade level, or school building which has “0” as the No. of Option Students is hereby declared unavailable to option students due to lack of capacity.

PROGRAM	PROGRAM CAPACITY	PROJECTED ENROLLMENT	NO. OF OPTION STUDENTS
Kindergarten	55	55	0
First	55	55	0
Second	55	55	0
Third	55	55	0
Building Capacity, Elementary	220	220	0
Fourth	75	50	25
Fifth	75	75	0
Sixth	75	75	0
Seventh	80	75	5
Eighth	80	75	5
Building Capacity, Middle School Attendance Center	385	350	35
Ninth	80	70	10
Tenth	80	70	10
Eleventh	80	80	0
Twelfth	80	70	10
Building Capacity, Sr. High School Attendance Center	320	290	30

* Special education capacity will be determined on a case-by-case basis in accordance with state law and the available resources as determined by the District’s Director of Special Education or designee.

Minden Public Schools Field Trip Request

Field trips must have the approval of the building principal and the superintendent

Destination Branson, MO

Objective of field trip Clinic with professional musicians, perform on a Branson stage and provide a travel opportunity for members of the High School Band.

Subject area objective Instrumental Music - perform and receive feedback from local musicians

Type of activity 4 day, 3 night band trip to Branson, MO

Students/families will pay for their trip which includes transportation, housing, shows, and a portion of the meals.

Date of field trip 5/21-5/24 Number of students to transport 25-35

Depart time 5:30 x AM PM Return time 7:30 AM x PM

Names of chaperones To be determined

Vehicle needed Yes x No Vehicle request submitted Yes x No
Leave request submitted Yes x No

School district expenses involved other than transportation No school expenses

DocuSigned by:
Matthew Stubbs 9/8/2023
Signature of requesting teacher Date

DocuSigned by:
Don Hosick 9/11/2023 Approval x Yes No
Signature of building principal Date

List of students going on field trip should be filed in the principal's office three days before date of departure.
Students are expected to be on their best behavior and abide by all school rules and regulations.
All students going on field trip are expected to ride on school provided transportation unless previous arrangements have been made by parents through the principal's office.
In case of an emergency which involves an injury or late arrival, the principal should be notified.

**** Please remember to fill out appropriate vehicle request forms & leave forms ****



Minden High School Band & Choir Tentative Itinerary to Branson May 21-24, 2023

Tuesday, May 21, 2024:

- 5:30 a.m. Depart Minden High School for Branson (meals on own and stops in route)
- 3:00 p.m. Approximate arrival in Branson and meet Tour Director at hotel for check-in
- 4:00 p.m. Transfer to Dolly Parton Stampede Dinner
- 4:40 p.m. Enjoy Dolly Parton Stampede Pre-Show in Carriage Room
- 5:30 p.m. **Dolly Parton Stampede Dinner & Show**
Celebrate the American Spirit with inspiring world-class performances at Dolly Parton's Dixie Stampede Dinner Attraction! Tighten your bootstraps for a powerful performance featuring 32 magnificent horses and a cast of top-notch trick riders in a 35,000 square foot arena. Thrill to a friendly North and South competition, horse riding stunts at top speeds, spectacular special effects, phenomenal musical productions all while you enjoy a mouth-watering four-course family feast!
- 7:20 p.m. Transfer to hotel



Wednesday, May 22nd:

Breakfast at hotel

9:45 a.m. Transfer to The Track Family Fun Park

10:00 a.m. **The Track Family Fun Parks- Track 4**

Enjoy unlimited go cart rides and miniature golf with your Two-Hour Fast Pass. The newest attraction- Heavy Metal High Rise is a steel and concrete go-kart track reaching over four stories. Some fast facts about it: 1,200 linear feet long, 700 cubic yards of concrete and 200 tons of steel! After climbing a four-story spiral, it has a thrilling, three-tiered slope back to the ground!

12:00 p.m. Transfer to Branson Landing

12:15 p.m. **Branson Landing** (lunch on your own)

Branson Landing- where shopping, dining, and entertainment take center stage, with over 100 specialty stores & restaurants. Enjoy the scenic boardwalk along the 1.5-mile Taney Como Lakefront. At the heart of the Landing is a vibrant town square terracing the spectacular water attraction, featuring the first-ever merging of water, fire, light, and music.

2:00 p.m. Transfer to hotel to relax and prepare for evening activity

5:30 p.m. Transfer to Fall Creek (choir students dressed in performance attire)

5:45 p.m. **Group Dinner at Fall Creek Steak & Catfish House Restaurant**

For over 20 years, the Fall Creek Steak & Catfish House has been a popular dining destination sitting right next to Fall Creek in Branson, Missouri. The Fall Creek Steak & Catfish House is a family-friendly, roll-tossing, good time! Come on into the Fall Creek Steak & Catfish House and you just might see Rudy, the resident guitar playing, singing roll tosser serenading someone as they enjoy a delicious meal of steak or catfish, or one of our many other entree options.



- 7:00 p.m. Transfer to **The Dick Clark American Band Stand Theatre**
8:00 p.m. **The "SIX" Show**
This show is a contemporary "vocal band" featuring six brothers. These multi-talented brothers sound like a band using only their mouths, singing contemporary acappella. They perform pop, R&B, classic rock 'n' roll, doo-wop, gospel and patriotic music. SIX amazes' audiences with their ability to consistently deliver powerhouse vocals, impeccable harmonies and unparalleled high-end, professional production!
10:30 p.m. Transfer to hotel at conclusion of show

Thursday, May 23- Today is your band performance day:

Breakfast at hotel

- 9:00 a.m. Transfer to Silver Dollar City
9:15 a.m. **Silver Dollar City** (lunch on own at park)
Silver Dollar City is home to over 40 fun-filled rides that are exciting for everyone, from speeding steel coasters to wild water rides. Test your grit aboard great thrill rides such as Outlaw Run® the World's Most Daring Wood Coaster. Plenty more pulse-quickening Branson attractions can be found within the park.
2:30 p.m. Transfer to hotel to relax and prepare for evening activity
3:15 p.m. Transfer to Florentina's (band students dressed in performance attire)
3:30 p.m. **Early Group Dinner at Florentina's Italian Restaurant**
Dine with family and friends while enjoying the Italian traditions of food, friendship, hospitality and uniquely "Italian style"...with glasses raised, accompanied by warm smiles, welcoming arms, a little laughter and loads of conversation as Florentina's transforms into grandma Maria's kitchen or perhaps Uncle Antonio's dinner table...and everyone is family.
4:20 pm Transfer to **Clay Cooper Theatre**
4:30 pm **Band Clinic with Local Professional Musician or Education Specialist**
5:30 pm Band Dress Rehearsal on Center Stage
6:55 pm **Minden HS Band Pre-Show Performance on Clay Cooper Stage**



7:30 pm

The Haygood's Show

Branson's Most Popular Show! The Haygood's bring the house down with tight harmonies, energetic choreography, special effects and amazing performances on over 20 different instruments! With over 6 million people participating in the Haygood experience, you'd better believe there's more to this group than buzz!!

9:30 pm

Transfer to hotel at the conclusion of the show

Friday, May 24:

Breakfast at hotel and check-out

9:00 a.m. Depart Branson for Minden, NE (meals on own & stops in route)

7:30 p.m. Approximate arrival at Minden High School



Minden High School Band & Choir to Branson May 21-24, 2024

Package Includes:

- ❖ Round Trip Deluxe Motor Coach Transportation from Minden HS
- ❖ All Ground Transportation in Branson via Deluxe Motor Coach
- ❖ 3 Nights Deluxe Hotel with Security Provided
- ❖ 3 Breakfasts
- ❖ Dolly Parton Stampede Dinner & Show
- ❖ Two Hour Fast Pass to The Track Family Fun Park
- ❖ Visit to Branson Landing
- ❖ Group Dinner at Fall Creek Steak & Catfish House Restaurant (or comparable)
- ❖ The "SIX" Show
- ❖ Admission to Silver Dollar City
- ❖ Group Dinner at Florentina's Italian Restaurant (or comparable)
- ❖ Band Clinic and Pre-Show Performances on Branson Stages
- ❖ The Haygoods Show
- ❖ \$5,000.00 Medical Accident Insurance
- ❖ All Taxes, Tips and Tolls
- ❖ Tour Director

Price Package per person is based on 31 students, 4 adult chaperones and 1 free directors.

Student Rate- \$1019.00

Adult Double Rate- \$1099.00

Adult Single Rate- \$1292.00



Mr. Hosick, Mr. Widdifield and School Board

The Tech Club would like to ask permission to take a field trip to the Black Thunder Coal Mine, the largest coal mine in the United States. It is located 70 miles NE of Casper, Wyoming. Our tentative agenda would be as follows:

Thursday, Nov.9th 12:00 pm	Leave Minden High School
Thursday, Nov.9th 10:00 pm	Arrive at hotel
Friday, Nov. 10th 9:00 am	Begin Tour of the mine
Friday, Nov. 10th 12:00 -1:00pm	Leave for home
Friday, Nov.10th 10:00 -11:00 pm	Arrive at Minden High School

During the tour we will see drag line operation, coal processing, train loading, and tour the actual mine. They have arranged a special tour of the maintenance facility, which is not on the normal tour. There we will get a chance to get close to the trucks and other equipment that are inaccessible in the regular tour. I think it can be a special day for our kids, and an opportunity for the students to see something they otherwise couldn't. We would ask the school to cover fuel costs, and the needed driver(s). The club will take care of all lodging and food. Although the destination is far, we believe the benefits will be great for the students. Thanks for your consideration.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND AGREEMENT

THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND AGREEMENT made and entered into as of the date set forth below by and between Kearney County School District 50-0503 a/k/a Minden Public School District (hereinafter referred to as the “School District”) and the City of Minden, Nebraska, a municipal corporation, (hereinafter referred to as the “City”).

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, all parties are committed to providing appropriate programs and services to prevent children from becoming at risk and to intervene with children already involved in the juvenile justice system;

WHEREAS, the parties to this Agreement desire a maximum degree of long-range cooperation and administrative planning to provide for the safety and security of the community and its children;

WHEREAS, all parties mutually agree that sharing resources, where feasible, and in particular, training efforts, may result in improved coordination;

WHEREAS, it is the understanding by all parties that certain roles in serving children and youth are required by law and that these laws serve as the foundation for defining the role and responsibility of each participating agency; and,

WHEREAS, all parties mutually agree that all obligations stated or implied in this Agreement shall be interpreted in light of and consistent with governing State and Federal laws; and

WHEREAS, both parties agree that no City employees will be assigned or designated on a “full-time” or “primary” basis to serve the School District;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY MUTUALLY AGREED BY AND BETWEEN THE PARTIES AS FOLLOWS:

A. DESIGNATION OF: LAW ENFORCEMENT UNIT: Pursuant to 20 U.S.C. 1232(a)(4)(B)(ii), the School District, by and through the Office of Superintendent of Schools, does hereby officially designate and authorize the Minden Police Department, by and through commissioned police officers of the Department as the School District’s “law enforcement unit” for purposes of (1) enforcing any and all federal, state or local law, (2) maintaining the physical security and safety of the schools in the School District, and (3) maintaining safe and drug-free schools in the Minden Public School District. This designation permits the School District, under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, 20 U.S.C. 1232(g) (FERPA), to disclose information from students’ educational records to the law enforcement unit. Additionally, the designation permits the disclosure of information regarding a student from law enforcement unit records created and maintained by the School District or the Minden Police Department in its capacity as the school district’s law enforcement unit for a law enforcement purpose without the consent of the parent or eligible student. Notice of the designation of the Minden Police Department as the law enforcement unit for the School District shall be provided in the annual notification of rights to parents and students under the section concerning the disclosure of information to school officials with a legitimate educational interest in the records.

B. GENERAL TERMS: The School District and the City agree as follows:

1. To promote a coordinated effort among the School District and the Minden Police Department to achieve maximum public safety through the (1) enforcement of any and all federal, state, or local law, (2) maintenance of the physical security and safety of the schools in the School District, and (3) the maintenance of safe and drug-free schools in the Minden Public School District.
2. Participate in interagency planning meetings, as appropriate.
3. Participate in evaluation meetings monthly for the first quarter upon placement of an officer and then meet quarterly to evaluate the ongoing relationship between agencies. Attendees of this meeting shall be administration for both agencies as well as school and city staff as determined necessary.
4. Assign staff as appropriate and subject to the consent of the School District to provide law enforcement unit services, preparation, and processing of law enforcement records, participate in a consolidated case management system, and participate in information-sharing activities to assess and develop plans for at-risk youth; however, no staff will be assigned to serve the School District as their primary duty.
5. Jointly plan and/or provide information and access to training opportunities when feasible.
6. Develop internal policies and cooperative procedures, as needed, to implement this Agreement to the maximum extent possible.
7. Comply with relevant federal and state law and other applicable local rules which relate to records use, security, dissemination, and retention/destruction.

C. SCHOOL DISTRICT: The School District agrees to:

1. Notify within 24 hours the school's principal that a student is enrolled in the student's arrest for crimes of violence or violation of law upon receipt of such information from the Minden Police Department, other law enforcement agency, or the court system. Within 24 hours of such notice, the principal shall provide such information to student service personnel, the designated law enforcement personnel, the student assistance coordinator, and the student's immediate teachers.
2. Designate the contact person responsible for receiving juvenile arrest information and inform all parties about the School District's designee.
3. Request criminal history information only for assessment, placement, or security of persons and property.
4. Designate the contact person(s) to be responsible for receiving confidential criminal history information and inform all parties of the names of those individuals.
5. Develop appropriate internal written policies to ensure confidential criminal history is disseminated only to appropriate school personnel.
6. Develop a written plan to determine the procedures to take when a child is identified as being truant from school.

7. Notify the appropriate law enforcement agency when an adult or a student commits any of the following offenses on school property, on school-sponsored transportation, or at school-sponsored activities: Homicide; Sexual Battery; Armed Robbery; Aggravated Battery; Kidnaping or abduction; Arson; Possession, use, or sale of any firearm; Possession, use or sale of any explosive device; Possession, use, or sale of any controlled substance; or any act that compromises school or community safety. School personnel shall cooperate in any investigation or other proceedings leading to the victim's exercise of a right as provided by law.
8. Develop a professional chain-of-command communication process between teachers, administration, and officer with regard to in-school situations.

D. *MINDEN POLICE DEPARTMENT:* The City, through its Police Department, agrees to:

1. Notify the Superintendent or designee of the name and address of any student arrested for a crime and the nature of the crime; unless such disclosure is prohibited or restricted by state and/or federal law. The notification shall be within 24 hours.
2. Upon request by the school district, share summary criminal history information with the Superintendent or designees regarding juveniles who are students within the educational system for purposes of assessment, placement, or security of person and property unless such disclosure is prohibited or restricted by state and/or federal law.
3. Develop appropriate internal written policies to ensure that confidential education record information is disseminated only to appropriate personnel.
4. Develop a written plan to determine the procedures to take when a child is identified as being truant from school.
5. Notify the Superintendent or designee of the name and address of any employee of the school district who is charged with a felony or with a misdemeanor involving the abuse of a minor child or the sale or possession of a controlled substance; unless such disclosure is prohibited or restricted by state and/or federal law. The notification shall be within 24 hours and shall include the specific act which led to the arrest.
6. In good faith, but in its sole discretion, the Minden Police Department will provide to the School District a commissioned police officer(s) to serve as the law enforcement unit's personnel at the times and building(s) requested by the School District. Minden Police Department reserves the right to remove the officer in the event that additional officers are needed during a critical incident or natural disaster or for the officer's own safety.
7. Provide appropriate training and ongoing education specific to School Resource Officers, including but not limited to National Association of School Resource Officers (NASRO) training and certifications.

E. *COST SHARING:* The City and the School District agree to share the costs of the law enforcement personnel covered by this MOU. Said costs for the designated law enforcement personnel shall include, but not be limited to, salary, overtime, fringe benefits, health insurance, disability, FICA, and retirement. During the first year of this Agreement, the City shall be responsible for 75%, and the School District shall be responsible for 25% of the costs of the designated law enforcement personnel. During every year thereafter that the Agreement may be renewed, City shall be responsible for 50%, and the School District shall be

responsible for 50% of the costs of the designated law enforcement personnel. The School District and City will meet prior to the beginning of each school year to understand and agree to the anticipated costs of such law enforcement personnel. The City will bill the School District quarterly for the School District's share of the payment due hereunder, and the School District shall pay such bills within thirty (30) days after the bills are received.

F. LIABILITY: The City and its Police Department's commitment to providing an officer to the School District under the terms of this MOU does not create a special duty to the School District or any individual, nor shall the City or its Police Department be liable for failure to provide an officer in any situation. Each party shall hold the other harmless and be responsible for its acts, errors, or omissions and for the acts, errors, or omissions of its employees, officers, officials, agents, boards, committees, and commissions and shall be responsible for any losses, claims, and liabilities that are attributable to such acts, errors, or omissions including providing its defense, arising out of this Agreement. In situations involving joint liability, each party shall only be responsible for such losses, claims, and liabilities that are attributable to its own acts, errors, or omissions and the acts, errors, or omissions of its employees, officers, officials, agents, boards, committees, and commissions.

G. CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION AND RECORDS REQUEST: The City, the Minden Police Department, and the School District are subject to the State's public records laws, found at Neb. Rev. Stat. § 84-714 *et seq.* The parties understand that the terms of this Agreement require them to cooperate with respect to numerous records, in many formats, for the purposes of fulfilling their respective obligations. In the event either party receives a public record request seeking records or information which is or may be covered by this Agreement, the parties agree to provide notice to each other as soon as reasonably possible in order to discuss the disclosure requirements under those laws. The party receiving the request will have the ultimate authority on whether the records are disclosed, provided the other party has not elected to seek a judicial determination that such disclosure is not required.

H. LAW ENFORCEMENTATION: The Police Officer shall not act as a school disciplinarian. However, if the school principal believes an incident violates the law, the principal may contact the officer, and the officer shall determine whether law enforcement action is appropriate.

I. TERM OF AGREEMENT: This Agreement shall be in effect as of the date the Agreement is signed by the majority of the initiating parties and shall renew each school year automatically unless otherwise modified. All parties are signatories to this Agreement when signing or when the majority of the initiating parties sign, whichever is later.

J. TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT: Any party to this Agreement may terminate participation for any reason, with or without cause, no later than May 1st unless there is a violation of duties or legal responsibilities by either party.

K. MODIFICATION OF AGREEMENT: Modification of this Agreement shall be made only by consent of the majority of the initiating parties. Such shall be made with the same formalities as were followed in this Agreement and shall include a written document setting forth the modifications, signed by all the consenting parties.

L. SIGNATURES: Upon signing this Agreement, the original Agreement and signature shall be filed with the clerk of the court and placed in the public records of the jurisdiction. A certified copy of the Agreement and the signatures shall be provided to each signatory to the Agreement.

M. ENTIRE AGREEMENT: This Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties. No oral modifications shall be binding on either party. All modifications shall be in writing and executed by both

authorized parties. If any portion of this Agreement is deemed unenforceable or against public policy, it shall not affect the remaining portions of this Agreement.

N. CONTROLLING LAW: Nebraska law will govern the terms and the performance under this Agreement.

Agreed to and dated this ____ day of August 2023.

MINDEN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

BY: _____
Superintendent of Schools

Agreed to and dated this ____ day of August 2023.

CITY OF MINDEN

BY: _____
Mayor

Acknowledged this ____ day of August 2023.

MINDEN POLICE DEPARTMENT

BY: _____
Police Chief