

Board of Education Regular Meeting  
Monday, November 10, 2025 6:00 PM  
Mountain  
Dundy County Stratton High School  
400 9th Avenue West  
Benkelman, Nebraska 69021

**1. Opening Procedures**

Procedural Item

1.A. Call to order

Action Item

1.B. Board Member Roll Call

Action Item

Excused Absence:

Unexcused Absence:

Motion to approve absence of Cole Lutz, Lindsay Stamm and Shad Stamm Passed with a motion by Kent Lorens and a second by Jennifer Fries.

Jennifer Fries: Yea

Steve Guernsey: Yea

Ted Henderson: Yea

Nick Ladenburger: Yea

Kent Lorens: Yea

Sandy Noffsinger: Yea

1.C. District Mission Statement:

- Partnering with families and the community, Dundy County Stratton Schools will provide a dynamic and inclusive environment because every Day, every Child, is empowered to achieve Success!

1.D.

Information Item

1.E. Nebraska Open meetings law-posted on the East wall

Procedural Item

1.F. Publication of Meeting-notice was provided according to policy.

Consent Item

1.G. Pledge of Allegiance

Procedural Item

## 2. **Awards and Recognitions**

Action Item

## 3. **Public comment**

Information Item

Welcome to the Dundy County Stratton Public Schools Board of Education Meeting. The Board welcomes citizens to attend board meetings to become acquainted with the programs and operations of the district. Members of the public are also encouraged to share their ideas and opinions with the Board during the agenda item labeled “Public Items”. Comments or questions from the audience at any other time during the meeting except for the agenda item “Public Items” will out of necessity be declared out of order.

The Nebraska Open Meetings Act prevents the board from speaking to a matter that is not on the agenda. Please understand that the board may be unable to address your issue during the meeting. It is not permissible for the board to comment on items not listed for the protection of the public’s right to know and participate in the discussion of items that do come before the board and stated appropriately in the meeting agenda.

During this agenda item “Public Items” we ask that you abide by the following rules:

### **Public Comment Protocol and Procedures**

- Anyone wishing to speak to the board on specific agenda items or on other topics relevant to board business must complete a Public Comment Request Card and submit it to the Board President prior to the opening of the meeting. The public will only be recognized and their comments heard at Item “Public Items” on the board agenda. The total time allotted for the public comment will not exceed thirty minutes and each member of the public will be allotted not more than five minutes to address the Board. If a group wishes to speak, please designate one spokesperson for the group.
- Please state your name and the topic you are addressing before you begin.
- Speakers are asked to direct their questions and comments to the chair. A member of the Board of Education or the Superintendent may direct clarifying questions to the chair, but the board will not under any circumstance enter into a debate with any the member of the public.
- Speakers may offer objective criticism of district operations and programs, but the Board would encourage members of the public to address complaints concerning individual district personnel through the proper chain of command. The chair may direct the member of the public to the appropriate means to address concerns brought before the Board; however, the board will not respond with action but will take comments under advisement and direct the comments to the appropriate staff member to address outside of the board meeting.

- Please remember that is a public meeting for the conduct of business of the Dundy County Stratton Public School District. Offensive language, personal attacks and hostile conduct will not be tolerated. You should further be advised that there is no legal protection for any comments that are made.

- As stated in **NEB. REV. STAT. § 79-570 Class I, II, III, IV, or VI school district; president; meetings; maintenance of order.**

If any district meeting of a Class I, II, III, IV, or VI school district any person conducts himself or herself in a disorderly manner and persists in such conduct after notice by the president or person presiding, the president or person presiding may order such person to withdraw from the meeting and, if the person refuses, may order any person or persons to take such person into custody until the meeting is adjourned.

- As stated in **NEB. REV. STAT. § 79-571 Class I, II, III, IV, or VI school district; meetings; disorderly conduct; penalty.**

Any person who refuses to withdraw from such meeting on being so ordered as provided in section 79-570 or who willfully disturbs such meeting shall be guilty of a Class V misdemeanor.

#### 4. **Reports**

Action Item

4.A. Technology report  
Information Item

4.B. Elementary principal report  
Information Item

**Dundy County Stratton Elementary Principal's Report**  
**November 2025**  
*Submitted by Principal Kris Freeland*

**October was a busy and productive month at Dundy County Stratton Elementary!**

**On October 7th, Mrs. Picquet, Mrs. Strand, and Mrs. Fahrenholz attended *Pyramid Training for Teachers* at the ESU. This professional development focused on strategies to support positive behavior and social-emotional learning in the classroom.**

**On October 10th, we hosted representatives from *Southwest Public Health Department* who presented their *Polish Your Pearls* dental hygiene program to our students.**

**Picture Retakes were held on October 13th, ensuring all students had an opportunity for a great school photo.**

**On October 16th, Mrs. Shaylee Davis attended *Preschool Professional Development* at the ESU, gaining new insights and resources for our early childhood program.**

**On October 20th, we held our quarterly *Accelerated Reader (A.R.) Movie Celebration*. A special thank you goes out to Mrs. Lindsay Stamm for organizing this fun event for our students.**

**The Kindergarten and 1st Grade classes enjoyed a field trip to *Bronwick Farms Pumpkin Patch* on October 21st, where students had a wonderful hands-on learning experience and plenty of fall fun.**

**On October 22nd, our 6th Grade class attended *Ameritown* in Wray, Colorado. Students learned about the different roles and responsibilities involved in running a small town — a great real-world learning opportunity.**

**Our 4th Grade students performed their play *Ranita the Frog Princess* before a full crowd, and it was a tremendous success! The students did an outstanding job, and we are very proud of their hard work and performance.**

**On October 23rd, we held a *Teacher Inservice Day* with guest presenters Nicole Long from ESU 16 and Angie Dickey from ESU 15. Staff spent the day exploring potential new English Language Arts curriculum options. We also welcomed our new staff member Mrs. Emily Gleisberg, and we extend our gratitude to Mrs. Sherri Freeland for serving as the long-term substitute during her absence.**

**Fall Break followed on October 24th, giving everyone a well-deserved three-day weekend.**

**On October 28th, we conducted a *Fire Drill* at both the elementary and preschool buildings, which also included participation from the childcare center. That same day, our 2nd Grade students visited *Bronwick Farms Pumpkin Patch* for their fall field trip.**

**On October 29th, Grace Brown, a teacher from Hitchcock County, came to observe Mrs. Gritzuk as part of a professional collaboration and learning exchange.**

**Several of our paraprofessionals, along with Mr. Shields, attended *CPI (Crisis Prevention Intervention) Training* at the ESU on October 30th.**

**We closed out the month with our *Annual Costume Parade* on October 31st, where students in grades K–6 celebrated Halloween in the gym with lots of creativity and fun!**

**Looking ahead, we are excited for our upcoming *Book Fair*, which will run from November 3rd through November 14th (extended due to state volleyball). On November 10th, we will proudly host Mrs. Deanne Bishop from Perkins County and her astronomy students, who will present an engaging program about constellations and planets.**

**It has been a wonderful fall at Dundy County Stratton Elementary, and we look forward to the many learning opportunities and celebrations ahead.**

4.C. Secondary principal report  
Information Item



## Principal Report

November 2025

### Celebrations

We celebrated our students on Halloween. Those recognized are as follows

- Library helpers
- Emma - Believers and Achievers
- Alyssa - singing the National Anthem at State Volleyball on Thursday
- Cross Country - Great season - kept breaking own records, Molly 5th at state
- National Honor Society - new inductees - Abi Spargo, Breck Horner, Noah Wiese, Tagen Yrkoski
- Emma - published a short story award
- Students of the Month - NatiLee and Breck

### Activities

- JH Quiz Bowl had a meet today at Maywood for 5th - 8th grade
- Volleyball - great season culminating at 4th place finish at state
- Football - good season, ended in quarter finals last weekend
- Show Choir received Silver at Scottsbluff competition, Alyssa Stamm was awarded the Best Soloist
- The choir had a great Pops Concert
- ESports fall season is getting close to playoffs
- FFA sent 5 students to nationals in Indianapolis, IN
- Alyssa was selected to the Concordia Honor Choir and participated in it on Friday after she sang the national anthem at state volleyball
- Molly Spargo auditioned and was chosen to participate in Sing Youth of Nebraska in January
- Three students auditioned for the UNK Honor Choir and Honor Band and will find out at a later date if they were selected
- HOSA took students to UNK to attend a Health Science Explorers Camp
- The National Honor Society inducted 5 new students

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# Tigers

## Miscellaneous

- The CTSO groups organized a Drive Safe day, bringing in many individuals to talk about driving safely
- Omaha Performing Arts conducted a Broadway workshop, 11 girls participated
- Staff really stepped up to help us run all the conference and district events that we were able to host
- Mrs. Samson has now obtained a NE teaching certificate and is going solo in her classes

## Looking Forward

- Veterans Day Program - presented tomorrow at 2:00 for our students by the CTSO clubs
- JH Wrestling - their first meet of the season is tomorrow, there are 12 students practicing
- Mock Trial - Regionals on the 12th, winner advances to state
- Thanksgiving Break will start on November 27, and school will resume on Dec 1
- Basketball and wrestling practices can start Nov 17

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NORTH CENTRAL ACCREDITED

NEBRASKA ACCREDITED

4.D. Transportation report  
Information Item

Fleet Vehicle Mileage for School Year ---->

2025 - 2026

October Monthly Detail

Fleet #	Vehicle	Capacity	VIN	Beginning Odometer	Ending Odometer	Monthly Mileage	Gallons	Maintenance
1	2000 Bluebird Bus (Coach)	50	1BAGNBJA3YF096003	159247	159247	0	0	
2	2005 Van Hool Coach	58	YE2TC15B052044313	121606	124255	2649	527	chg oil & filter; chk all fluids & lubed vehicle; rpl fuel/water seperator
3	2015 Blue Bird Yellow Bus	35	1BAKACPA0FF308212	100845	102000	1155	118.9	
4	1999 Thomas / INTERNATIONAL	60	1HVBBAAP0XH205599	0		0		
5	2026 Blue Bird Bus	77	1BAKJCHA4TF821750	1906	3320	1414	322	rpl supply line; rpl filter
6	2014 Blue Bird Bus	47	1BAKBKCPHXEF297776	155938	155938	0	0	
7	2023 ICE School Bus	47	4DRBUC8N1PB715460	67701	70250	2549	254	chg oil & filter; chk all fluids & lubed vehicle; rpl air filter
8	2014 Blue Bird	77	1BAKGCPA3EF301039	169794	170044	250	30	
9	2002 CHEVY V8 3500 Bus	23	1GBJG31F621207370	173777	175215	1438	120.8	rpr wiring for marker lights
11	2019 International Bus	35	4DRBUC8L7KB756442	126842	128901	2059	131.8	
12	2020 IC Bus	47	4DRBUC8L8LB401961	162526	164736	2210	244.9	rpl strobe light; rpl bulb amber student pick up light from driver side
13	2005 Taurus Gold	5	1FAFP53U25A254124	140707	140743	36	0	
14	2005 Taurus Grey	5	1FAFP53U85A273776	146900	146973	73	11.4	
15	2010 Chevy Impala	5	2G1WA5EN7A1259642	155266	155881	615	0	
16	2005 Chevy Suburban white	8	3GNFK16Z15G249871	204539	204539	0	0	
17	2006 Suburban - Maroon	8	3GNFK16Z76G202698	195003	195362	359	28	rpl both u-joints on rear drive line
18	2024 Ford Expedition White	8	1FMJK1J89REA93539	18796	21033	2237	55.5	
20	2022 Ford Explorer	7	1FMSK8DH4NGB41228	61087	64280	3193	79.8	chg oil & filter; chk all fluids & lubed vehicle
22	2024 Ford Expedition White	8	1FMJK1J84REA93593	21202	24831	3629	32.9	
23	1999 Chevy Mid Bus 3500	22	1GBHG31R9X10300121	181430	181824	394	70	Rpl engine w/new one; rpl intake manifold gaskets; rpl exhaust manifold gaskets & donuts; rpl oil pump
26	2022 Chevrolet Equinox	5	3GNAXUEV8NL282126	46849	47829	980	27.1	
27	2012 BlueBird	47	1BAKBXPAXCF290004	183470	184197	727	76	
28	2001 Chevy Silverado 1500	0	1GCEK19TX1E118211	163725	164074	349	22.5	
29	2018 Ford T-350 Transit	0	1FBAX2CM9JKA29985	0		0		
30	2009 Ford F-350 Van	12	1FBNE31L09DA63952	125110	125172	62	25	
31	2007 Ford Expedition Silver	8	3GKEC16587LA29506	268883	268976	93	12	
32	2021 Ford Exp Max	7	1FMJK1J79MEA88371	72707	74709	2002	61	

4.E. Superintendent report  
Information Item



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## Superintendent Report

November 2025

### '25-26 State Aid Recalculation:

The Nebraska Department of Education (NDE) ran the state aid formula utilizing the current valuations that were provided to districts in August 2025. The change will appear on the 2026-2027 State Aid Report for the district as a "Prior Year Correction". Through that process, the district had the following change.

Original State Aid Amount =	\$430,206
Recalculated State Aid Amount -	<u>442,722</u>
Prior Year Correction ('26-27) =	\$ 12,516

### Tiger Tots Childcare Project:

The Childcare/Pre-Kindergarten Project continues to move to progress toward. Fundraising continues to be a goal as the construction phase heads toward completion and sustainability becomes the focus. The Open House was held on Sunday, 10/26/2025 and was largely viewed as a success with 100+ people in attendance. The Childcare/Pre-Kindergarten facility, Dundy County Stratton district along with the community of Benkelman and surrounding area and will be featured on the CBS Evening News for the innovation and initiative shown in addressing the childcare shortage. There is work being done that is being pushed to be completed prior to the arrival of winter weather. The replacement windows were installed last week (Tuesday, 11/04/2025) and there is a crew arriving Thursday-Friday, 11/13-14/2025 to seal all of the new cement. This will mean we will be having alternative drop-off/pick-up for Tiger Tots on Thursday/Friday and then both Tiger Tots and the Elementary will have alternative drop-off/pick-up on Friday.

### ESU #15/16 Board Member Workshop:

The annual ESU #15 & 16 Board Member Workshop is scheduled for Tuesday, 01/13/2026 in North Platte, NE (N.P. High School) at 5:00 p.m. (CST)/4:00 p.m. (MST). An agenda has not been released at this point in time. Please check your calendar to see if that date would be available for you to attend the workshop. I will need to send the registration in to ESU #16 after the December board meeting.

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## **ALICAP Report:**

The Loss Control Consultant (Dan Keyser) from ALICAP insurance has been on campus as has Mike Williams (Nebraska Department of Education) for their annual visit(s). These visits fulfill the property insurance visitation and the NDE requirement of "The school district shall bring in an outside person to conduct an annual safety review and submit a written report to the superintendent. There were a couple of recommendations made that will be addressed moving forward. Both reports were very positive.

## **Bus Accident:**

On Tuesday, 11/04/2025, a Dundy County Stratton route bus was in a traffic accident on the east edge of Max, NE. No injuries were immediately identified at the scene but there has been an injury diagnosed since. That student is being seen by a physician at the current time. The vehicle (1999 Mid-Bus) is a total loss. The situation is now between the two insurance carriers (ALICAP for the district—Progressive for the other party). The situation could have been much worse than what it turned out to be so hopefully we move forward with no further issues. As I said in the release of information, The Dundy County Sheriffs Office, Benkelman Ambulance, Benkelman Fire Department and Sinners Towing all assisted with the accident scene. Robert Castillo also played a large role in the aftermath of the accident.

## **NSAA Honors:**

The Nebraska School Activity Association (NSAA) named the annual Believers & Achievers program students earlier this month. Dundy County Stratton senior Emma Baldeah was named as one of the 48 honorees for this group. This is a prestigious award that encompasses all schools in all classes and is corporately sponsored by Currency. Additionally, Alyssa Stamm was selected to perform the National Anthem for the first round of the State Volleyball Tournament on Thursday, 11/06/2025 at Pinnacle Bank Arena (PBA) in Lincoln, NE. In moving throughout the facility on Thursday, I was stopped by several individuals that complimented Alyssa and her rendition of the anthem.

The district was also honored by the Nebraska Coaches Association (NCA), Nebraska State Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (NSIAAA) and Nebraska School Activities Association (NSAA) for the 2025 State Volleyball Championship Sportsmanship Award. This award is also corporately sponsored by Currency.

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## Lightning Claim:

The lightning strike insurance claim continues to be dealt with. Nebraska Safety and Fire has installed the replacement fire system panel at the Jr./Sr. High School. Prairie States Communication is working on the licensing of the new equipment with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). This process has been slowed with the government shutdown so hopefully progress can be made with the opening of the government in the near future. The new point-to-point system has arrived and has been configured so it is ready for installation. The kitchen refrigerator is back to fully operational. Hopefully we can have all components in service soon.

## Business Teacher:

Ms. Kweeny Samson is now residing in Benkelman, NE and possesses a Nebraska Initial Teaching Certificate. By holding the Nebraska certificate, she is now instructing classes on her own. The district is very pleased to have Ms. Samson as part of the district staff moving forward.

## Negotiations:

Attached to this report is the initial information that I have put together to begin the negotiations process. The Dundy County Stratton Education Association (DCSEA) has reached out that they are prepared to meet so a date in the near future will have to be looked at in order to begin.

## Superintendent Leave (2025-2026):

Working Days: 91 days available  
Sick Leave: 01.5 day used/07.0 days remaining  
Vacation Leave: 01.0 day used/16.0 days remaining

*\*current as of 11/10/2025*

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<b>SCHOOL DISTRICT</b>	<b>'25-26 Base</b>	<b>Insurance</b>	<b>Schedule</b>	<b>'26-27 Base</b>
1.) North Platte	\$ 42,300	\$650/\$2500	5 x 4	\$
2.) Dundy County Stratton	\$ 41,600	\$1050/\$3800	4 x 4	\$
3.) McCook	\$ 41,100	\$1050/\$3800	4.5 x 4.5	\$
4.) Chase County	\$ 41,000	\$1450	4.5 x 4.5	\$
5.) Ogallala	\$ 40,575	\$1050/\$3800	5 x 4	\$
6.) Holdrege	\$ 40,450	\$1050/\$3800	4.5 x 4.5	\$
7.) Bertrand	\$ 40,300	\$1050	4 x 4	\$
8.) Brady	\$ 40,300	\$1900	4 x 4	\$
9.) Cambridge	\$ 40,200	\$1050/\$3800	4 x 4	\$
10.) Wallace	\$ 40,025	\$1050/\$3800	4 x 4	\$
11.) Arapahoe-Holbrook	\$ 40,000	\$1050/\$3800	4 x 4	\$
12.) Hayes Center	\$ 40,000	\$850/\$3600	4 x 4.5	\$
13.) Hitchcock County	\$ 40,000	\$1050/\$3500	4 x 4	\$
14.) Loomis	\$ 40,000	\$1050/\$3800	4 x 4	\$
15.) Elwood	\$ 39,700	\$1050/\$3800	4 x 4.5	\$
16.) Southwest	\$ 39,525	\$1050/\$3800	4 x 4	\$
17.) Paxton	\$ 39,500	\$650/\$3500	4.25 x 4.25	\$
18.) Wauneta-Palisade	\$ 39,300	\$650/\$3500	4 x 5	\$
19.) Gothenburg	\$ 39,195	\$1050/\$3800	4 x 5	\$
20.) South Platte	\$ 39,100	\$1050/\$3800	<i>not reported</i>	\$
21.) Cozad	\$ 39,000	\$1450/\$3800	4.75 x 4.75	\$
22.) Eustis-Farnam	\$ 39,000	\$1050	4 x 4.5	\$
23.) Maywood	\$ 38,900	\$1050	4.5 x 4.5	\$
24.) Alma	\$ 38,850	\$1050/\$3800	4 x 4.5	\$
25.) Medicine Valley	\$ 38,750	\$1050	4 x 4.5	\$
26.) Southern Valley	\$ 38,750	\$1200	4 x 5	\$
27.) Sutherland	\$ 38,600	\$1050/\$3800	<i>compressed</i>	\$ 39,500
28.) Perkins County	\$ 38,400	\$1200/\$3800	4 x 4	\$
29.) Hershey	\$ 38,100	\$1050/\$3500	5 x 4	\$
30.) Maxwell	\$ 37,165	\$1450	4 x 4	\$

\*current as of 11/07/2025

**Statewide Number of Districts Reporting Settled = 013**

<b>Statewide</b>	<b>'25-26</b>	<b>'26-27</b>
<b>Low</b>	<b>\$ 37,000</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>Average</b>	<b>\$ 40,502</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>High</b>	<b>\$ 51,200</b>	<b>\$</b>

4.F. Board and committee reports  
Information Item

4.F.1. Board information  
Information Item

4.F.2. Finance/Budget/Legislation committee  
Information Item

4.F.3. Transportation/Facilities/Grounds committee  
Information Item

4.F.4. Curriculum/Activities/Staff Development committee  
Information Item

4.F.5. Americanism committee  
Information Item

4.F.6. Negotiations committee  
Information Item

5. **Consent Agenda**  
Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the consent agenda The consent agenda includes the verification of notice of the meeting by publication in the Benkelman Post & News Chronicle, a legal newspaper for Dundy County and to each member of the board, approval of the minutes from the Tax Request Hearing, Budget Hearing and Regular meeting on October 13, 2025, the approval of the bills as presented in the amount of \$553,961.84 for the general fund \$26,333.84 for the nutrition fund; \$26,133.97 for the activity fund; \$7,640.00 for the special building fund. Student Board representative; the 2024-2025 audit. Passed with a motion by Nick Ladenburger and a second by Steve Guernsey.

Jennifer Fries: Yea

Steve Guernsey: Yea

Ted Henderson: Yea

Nick Ladenburger: Yea

Kent Lorens: Yea

Sandy Noffsinger: Yea

Shad Stamm: Yea

**General Fund Authorization November 2025**

Accelerated Receivables Solutions	Payroll	1,119.57
Colonial Life	Payroll	31.20
Dundy County School Cafe Plan	Payroll	676.67
EFTPS	Payroll	76,425.22
Healthplan Services, Inc	Payroll	804.30
LegalShield	Payroll	41.85
MG Trust Company	Payroll	7,298.00
Nebraska Dept of Revenue	Payroll	10,474.33
Nebraska School Retirement System	Payroll	51,458.11
Transamerica Employee Benefits	Payroll	342.19
Blue Cross-Blue Shield	Payroll	86,293.25
Madison National Life Ins Co Inc	Payroll	2,008.08
Mutual of Omaha	Payroll	1,506.81
Net Payroll	Payroll	252,076.80
Amazon Capital Services	Office Supplies	1,730.04
Black Hills Energy	Gas	839.08
Bosselman Energy Inc.	Propane	1,537.56
Brico Pest Control	Spraying Mice/Roaches	120.00
BWTELCOM	Communications:Phone, Data, Internet	596.81
City of Benkelman	C&D Site	264.80
City Of Benkelman	Utilities	10,289.78
Cornhusker Internat'l Trucks	Repairs	872.54
Dana F. Cole & Company, LLP	Final Billing Audit 24-25	3,860.00
Dundy Co Stratton School Lunch	October 2025 Seconds	4,903.00
Dundy County Hospital	Pt Services	291.20
Eakes Office Products	Copier Contract	7,218.70
Esu #16	Audiology/Reg Fees	170.95
ESU Coordinating Council	Canvas LMS implementation	4,600.00
Family, Career and Community Leaders of America	FCCLA State Dues	300.00
Farmers Co-op Grain & Supply	Fuel	8,673.06
Grace Market	Supplies	163.50
Grainger	Supplies	636.48
Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites	MTSS Conference	589.00
Hometown Leasing	Copier Lease	1,603.98
Imperial NAPA	Repairs	2,493.10
Lakeshore Learning Materials LLC	Supplies	334.62
Mark's Plumbing	Repairs	316.17
Maywood Public Schools	Elem/JH Quiz Bowl	50.00
Mid Plains Community College	Dual Credit 24-25	110.34
Mid-American Research Chemical	Supplies	1,176.24
NASB ALICAP	Bus Accident deductible	500.00
National Art & School Supplies Inc.	Supplies	14.20
Ne Council Of School Admin	Safety/Security Summit	115.00
Omnify Benefits	125 Plan Fee	50.00
Owens Implement & Supply	Supplies/Repairs	708.17
Really Good Stuff, Inc.	Supplies	579.54
Rocky Mountain Low Voltage	Monthly Monitoring	60.00
Rural Young Americans Center	Rural AmenTowne	210.00
Schroeder, Cindy	Services	313.60
Scoop Media LLC	Advertising	232.98
SWPPD	Bus Radio	54.00
Tower Garden	Tower Garden	1,110.00
Unifirst Corporation	Custodial Supplies	1,186.63
US Bank	Subscriptions/Supplies/Conferences	3,589.47
Verizon Wireless	Cell Service	40.01
Village of Stratton	Utilities	307.39
Yost Farm Supply	Repairs	123.12
Zarkowski, Marilyn	Reimbursement for mileage	470.40
		<u>\$ 553,961.84</u>

**Special Building Fund Authorization November 2025**

JTRocks LLC,	Demolition on Storage Bld site	7,640.00
		<u>\$ 7,640.00</u>

Vendor Name	Invoice Description	Amount
Checking Account ID NUTRITION Fund Number 06	NUTRITION FUND	
Amazon Capital Services	School Cafeteria Tray	123.96
Cash Wa Distributing	Supplies	21,365.26
Grace Market	Food	154.71
Sysco Denver	Supplies/Food	4,689.91
Fund Number 06		<hr/> 26,333.84
Checking Account ID NUTRITION		<hr/> 26,333.84

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Vendor Name	Invoice Description	Amount
Checking Account ID	ACTIVITY	Fund Number
05	ACTIVITY FUND	
AllTeam Sportswear	Breast Cancer Awareness Decal	35.00
Amazon Capital Services	MacBook for Hudl	2,225.77
Berliner, Amber	District VB Official 11/01 vs Crawford	130.00
Bienhoff, Randall	1st RD FB Official vs Elkhorn Valley	115.60
BRONWICK FARMS	2nd Grade to Pumpkin Patch	416.00
Brownawell, Cari	Subdistrict volleyball officials	390.00
Buchanan, Mike	Subdistrict volleyball officials	390.00
Cash Wa Distributing	Concession Supplies	1,996.55
Chadron State College	Tenor/Bass Day 2025-Diego	22.50
Chase County Public Schools	JH VB Tourney	40.00
Chesterman Company	Concessions Supply	1,382.29
Concordia University	2025 Honor Choir-Alyssa Stamm	45.00
Curl, Jacob	2nd RD Playoffs vs McCool Junction	112.80
Dollar General-Regions 410526	10th Hoco Supplies	14.50
Elkhorn Valley Schools	D1 1st Rd FB playoffs	716.03
Engbrecht, Elias	FB Official vs Southern Valley 10.16	180.00
Esch, Brian	2nd RD Playoffs vs McCool Junction	112.80
Esch, Darren	2nd RD Playoffs vs McCool Junction	112.80
Ewell Educational Services	Subscription Renewal	390.00
Fisher Tracks, Inc.	Track Pit Covers	4,580.31
Fisher, Bryson	FB Official vs Southern Valley 10.16	180.00
Fortkamp, Kelen	FB Official vs Southern Valley 10.16	180.00
Fundraiser Blankets	HOSA Fundraiser	1,755.00
Hitchcock County Schools	Subdistrict D2-9 VB	44.74
J.W. Pepper & Son Inc	Show Choir Music	44.50
Johnson, Jay	RPAC VB Official	332.00
Johnson, Jordan	RPAC VB Official	550.50
Johnson, Scott	District VB Official 11/01 vs Crawford	130.00
Lamp Post 613, The	Team meal for Sedg. Co.	450.00
Little Zar's Handy Man Services	Homecoming Repairs	50.00
Loop, Jason	2nd RD Playoffs vs McCool Junction	112.80
Maxwell, Matthew	FB Official vs Southern Valley 10.16	180.00
McPherson, Charlie	2nd RD Playoffs vs McCool Junction	112.80
Myers, Dustin	1st RD FB Official vs Elkhorn Valley	115.60
National FFA Organization	National FFA Registration	540.00
Nebraska FFA State Association	2580-24 Ignite	490.00
Nebraska Music Education Association	All State Chorus-Alyssa S.	25.00
Nebraska School Activities Assn	Subdistrict D2-9 VB	1,533.83
Owens Implement & Supply	Sept Supplies	98.44
Paulk, Justin	1st RD FB Official vs Elkhorn Valley	115.60
Paxton Consolidated Schools	Subdistrict D2-9 VB	70.00
Republican Plains Activities Conference	RPAC West Volleyball	295.25
Rieker, Elica	RPAC VB 10/20	270.50
Santo, John	1st RD FB Official vs Elkhorn Valley	115.60
Scoop Media LLC	Sports Pictures	1,200.40
Seize The Daisy	Hoco Flowers/Parents Night VB	234.00
South Platte Public Schools	Subdistrict D2-9 VB	74.33
Sports Shoppe, The	Navy 1/4 Zip	81.00
Stephanie Williams	RPAC VB Lines	125.00
Tetley, Gregory	1st RD FB Official vs Elkhorn Valley	115.60
US Bank	Sept Stmt Act	2,656.45
Varsity Spirit Fashions	Cheer Uniform	209.35
Wallace Public School	Subdistrict D2-9 VB	57.73
White, Gary	FB Official vs Southern Valley 10.16	180.00

Vendor Name	Invoice Description	Amount
Fund Number 05		<hr/> 26,133.97
Checking Account ID	ACTIVITY	<hr/> 26,133.97

5.A. Verification of publication and notice

Consent Item

To verify that notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Benkelman Post, a legal newspaper for Dundy County Stratton and by written notice to each member of the board, the designated method of giving notice

5.B. Approval of the minutes

Consent Item

5.C. Payment of the bills

Consent Item

6. **Business Meeting**

Action Item

6.A. Senior Student Board Member

Non-Action Item

Emma Baldeh has been selected as the Senior Student Board Member.

6.B. Financial Report

Action Item

Presentation of the financial status of the district, balances in various funds, recent/impending activity therein, anticipated expenses and planning for future considerations.

The audit report for year-end 2025 prepared by Dana Cole was distributed. Month-end and year-end revenue is up. Expenses are down for the month and up year to date.

Motion to approve the financial report as presented Passed with a motion by Steve Guernsey and a second by Kent Lorens.

Jennifer Fries: Yea

Steve Guernsey: Yea

Ted Henderson: Yea

Nick Ladenburger: Yea

Kent Lorens: Yea

Sandy Noffsinger: Yea

Shad Stamm: Yea

Financial Report November				
	Income		Expense	
	MTD	YTD	MTD	YTD
2025	\$ 194,050	\$ 745,651	\$ 531,716	\$ 1,812,277
2024	\$ 115,376	\$ 590,987	\$ 542,784	\$ 1,584,104
2023	\$ 209,280	\$ 713,682	\$ 561,760	\$ 1,759,148
2022	\$ 42,096	\$ 386,643	\$ 519,394	\$ 1,754,994
2021	\$ 63,677	\$ 311,187	\$ 497,584	\$ 1,728,336
2020	\$ 46,105	\$ 413,044	\$ 500,798	\$ 1,562,883
2019	\$ 78,413	\$ 434,747	\$ 494,625	\$ 1,601,787
2018	\$ 86,119	\$ 333,174	\$ 471,202	\$ 1,463,917
2017	\$ 116,004	\$ 618,821	\$ 467,669	\$ 1,427,707
2016	\$ 243,256	\$ 520,570	\$ 460,476	\$ 1,474,710
2015	\$ 332,034	\$ 1,317,545	\$ 482,851	\$ 1,520,713
2014	\$ 393,196	\$ 1,181,101	\$ 439,907	\$ 1,425,144
Average	\$ 234,122	\$ 794,242	\$ 464,421	\$ 1,462,438

Fund Balances							
	Unemp	General Fund	Depreciation	QCPUF	Sp Bld	Dep/SpBd/Q	Total
2025	\$ 13,807	\$ 3,563,386	\$ 852,351	\$ 207,025	\$ 915,327	\$ 1,974,703	\$ 5,551,896
2024	\$ 13,664	\$ 3,477,560	\$ 675,614	\$ 205,938	\$ 1,131,181	\$ 2,012,734	\$ 5,503,958
2023	\$ 13,402	\$ 3,460,882	\$ 642,104	\$ 209,381	\$ 252,918	\$ 1,104,402	\$ 4,578,686
2022	\$ 13,345	\$ 2,415,590	\$ 498,050	\$ 279,622	\$ 38,657	\$ 816,329	\$ 3,245,264
2021	\$ 13,338	\$ 2,739,920	\$ 325,983	\$ 277,082	\$ 1,070,082	\$ 1,673,148	\$ 4,426,406
2020	\$ 13,328	\$ 2,626,516	\$ 739,998	\$ 200,310	\$ 838,894	\$ 1,779,202	\$ 4,419,046
2019	\$ 13,278	\$ 2,463,959	\$ 544,171	\$ 123,457	\$ 480,913	\$ 1,148,541	\$ 3,625,778
2018	\$ 13,208	\$ 2,544,963	\$ 415,569	\$ 73,722	\$ 381,826	\$ 871,117	\$ 3,429,288
2017	\$ 10,946	\$ 2,102,465	\$ 141,002	\$ 50,056	\$ 254,608	\$ 445,666	\$ 2,559,077
2016	\$ 13,910	\$ 1,711,541	\$ 142,476	\$ 100,197	\$ 265,411	\$ 508,084	\$ 2,233,535
2015	\$ 13,903	\$ 1,216,859	\$ 173,510	\$ 100,983	\$ 254,195	\$ 528,688	\$ 1,759,450
2014	\$ 13,898	\$ 1,327,901	\$ 263,391	\$ 112,613	\$ 408,368	\$ 784,372	\$ 2,126,171
Average	\$ 13,173	\$ 1,780,746	\$ 227,190	\$ 87,514	\$ 312,882	\$ 627,585	\$ 2,421,504

Account Groups; Processing Month 10/2025; Account Group ID  
 GFREVENUE; Accounts to Include Accounts With Activity

**Account Group: GFREVENUE Monthly Board Report Accounts**

**Fund: 01 GENERAL FUND**

<u>Account Number</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Revised Budget</u>	<u>During Month</u>	<u>To Date</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>	<u>Budget Balance</u>
01 1100	Taxes Levied/Assessed by the School Dist	0.00	34,215.73	394,094.52	0.00	(394,094.52)
01 1125	Motor Vehicle Tax	0.00	18,884.61	39,932.86	0.00	(39,932.86)
01 1140	Penalties & Interest on Taxes	0.00	1,495.51	3,602.00	0.00	(3,602.00)
01 1510	Interest on Investments	0.00	10,707.09	21,428.16	0.00	(21,428.16)
01 1800	Revenue-Community Service Activities	0.00	0.00	528.00	0.00	(528.00)
01 1911	Local License Fees	0.00	0.00	1,120.00	0.00	(1,120.00)
01 1990	Other Local Receipts	0.00	297.05	297.05	0.00	(297.05)
	Subtotal: LOCAL RECIEPTS	0.00	65,599.99	461,002.59	0.00	(461,002.59)
01 3110	State Aid	0.00	43,682.00	87,364.00	0.00	(87,364.00)
01 3180	Pro-Rate Motor Vehicle	0.00	0.00	548.61	0.00	(548.61)
01 3512	Distance Education Incentive Pymts	0.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	(2,000.00)
01 3535	Payments For High Ability Learners	0.00	2,414.00	2,414.00	0.00	(2,414.00)
01 3551	Career Education	0.00	0.00	1,570.69	0.00	(1,570.69)
	Subtotal: STATE RECEIPTS	0.00	48,096.00	93,897.30	0.00	(93,897.30)
01 4505	Title I, Part A ESSA Improving Basic Pro	0.00	0.00	81,808.00	0.00	(81,808.00)
01 4509	Title II Part A ESSA Supporting Eff Inst	0.00	0.00	15,183.00	0.00	(15,183.00)
01 4518	IDEA Part B (611) Base & Enrollment Poverty Allocation	0.00	79,247.00	79,247.00	0.00	(79,247.00)
01 4708	Medicaid In Public Schools	0.00	107.05	2,512.96	0.00	(2,512.96)
01 4969	TITLE IV-A: Student Support & Academic G	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	0.00	(10,000.00)
	Subtotal: FEDERAL RECEIPTS	0.00	79,354.05	188,750.96	0.00	(188,750.96)
01 5500	Capital Lease Proceeds	0.00	1,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	(2,000.00)
	Subtotal: NON-REVENUE RECEIPTS	0.00	1,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	(2,000.00)
		<u>Revised Budget</u>	<u>During Month</u>	<u>To Date</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>	<u>Budget Balance</u>
	Grand Total:	0.00	194,050.04	745,650.85	0.00	(745,650.85)

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Function Number		Revised Budget	Expended During Month	Expenditures to Date	% of Budget	Balance at EOM
01	GENERAL FUND					
1100	Regular Instructional Programs	0.00	242,298.71	758,558.55	0.00	(758,558.55)
1150	Limited English Proficiency Programs	0.00	3,138.77	9,010.75	0.00	(9,010.75)
1160	Poverty Programs	0.00	20,894.45	41,523.83	0.00	(41,523.83)
1200	Special Education Instructional Programs	0.00	36,336.82	104,476.99	0.00	(104,476.99)
1291	Early Childhood SpEd Ages 3-5	0.00	9,426.27	71,582.83	0.00	(71,582.83)
1292	Early Childhood SpEd Ages 0-2	0.00	0.00	1,474.00	0.00	(1,474.00)
2120	Guidance Services	0.00	8,129.21	24,647.00	0.00	(24,647.00)
2130	Health Services	0.00	0.00	91.89	0.00	(91.89)
2140	Psychological Services	0.00	0.00	2,000.00	0.00	(2,000.00)
2141	Psychological Services-SPED-School Age	0.00	0.00	10,923.00	0.00	(10,923.00)
2142	Psychological Services Sped-Ages 3-5	0.00	0.00	232.00	0.00	(232.00)
2151	Speech Path/Audiology Svcs SPED SA	0.00	402.44	13,980.88	0.00	(13,980.88)
2152	Speech Path/Audiology SPED Age 3-5	0.00	0.00	(2,450.50)	0.00	2,450.50
2153	Speech Path/Audiology Svcs SPED 0-2	0.00	0.00	(2,450.50)	0.00	2,450.50
2161	Occupational Therapy SPED SA	0.00	0.00	600.00	0.00	(600.00)
2171	Physical Therapy Services-SA	0.00	291.20	646.70	0.00	(646.70)
2210	Improvement of Instruction	0.00	589.00	964.00	0.00	(964.00)
2212	Instruction & Curriculum Development	0.00	75.00	75.00	0.00	(75.00)
2213	Instructional Staff Training	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2220	Library/Media Services	0.00	5,759.12	19,351.94	0.00	(19,351.94)
2224	EDUCATIONAL TELEVISION SERVICES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2230	Instruction-Related Technology	0.00	8,457.63	34,383.71	0.00	(34,383.71)
2240	Academic Student Assessment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2310	Board of Education	0.00	719.97	22,047.02	0.00	(22,047.02)
2320	Executive Administration	0.00	16,352.22	47,424.19	0.00	(47,424.19)
2330	District Legal Services	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2410	Principal	0.00	40,604.71	123,056.34	0.00	(123,056.34)
2510	Fiscal Services	0.00	15,259.77	63,013.57	0.00	(63,013.57)
2570	Personnel Services	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2610	Operation of Buildings	0.00	31,299.45	151,354.23	0.00	(151,354.23)
2620	Maintenance of Buildings	0.00	18,834.19	63,206.62	0.00	(63,206.62)
2630	Care and Upkeep of Grounds	0.00	755.98	2,529.26	0.00	(2,529.26)
2640	Care and Upkeep of Equipment	0.00	123.12	183.30	0.00	(183.30)
2650	Vehicle Operation & Maint (non student t	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2660	Security	0.00	0.00	1,272.24	0.00	(1,272.24)
2670	Safety	0.00	60.00	180.00	0.00	(180.00)
2680	Operations & Maintenance of Plant	0.00	0.00	40.00	0.00	(40.00)
2710	Vehicle Operation	0.00	37,310.63	131,012.20	0.00	(131,012.20)
2712	Vehicle Operation-School Age Sped	0.00	3,964.88	18,457.87	0.00	(18,457.87)
2713	Vehicle Operation-Below Age 5 Sped	0.00	923.71	2,055.81	0.00	(2,055.81)
2730	Vehicle Servicing & Maintenance-Reg Ed	0.00	14,086.75	55,885.97	0.00	(55,885.97)
3400	CATEGORICAL GRANTS FROM CORPORATIONS & O	0.00	0.00	4,655.00	0.00	(4,655.00)
3535	High Ability Learners	0.00	50.00	50.00	0.00	(50.00)
3551	CAREER EDUCATION	0.00	544.08	2,618.58	0.00	(2,618.58)
4700	Building Improvements	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5000	Debt Service	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6200	Federal Services-Title I, Part A ESSA Im	0.00	8,560.49	17,456.90	0.00	(17,456.90)
6310	Federal Services-Title II, Part A ESSA S	0.00	1,564.69	4,892.15	0.00	(4,892.15)
6406	Federal Services-IDEA PK (619) Sped 3-4	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6408	IDEA-PtB-611-Base-EP	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6412	Federal Services-IDEA Part B Proportiona	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6992	Federal Services--REAP-SRSA Grants	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
8000	Transfers (Outgoing)	0.00	4,903.00	11,263.99	0.00	(11,263.99)
9000	NON-PROGRAM EXPENDITURES	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
9001	Repayment of Interfund Loan General Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
01	GENERAL FUND	0.00	531,716.26	1,812,277.31	0.00	(1,812,277.31)

**Expenditure Report by Function/Object -  
Summary Revised**

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Function Number	Revised Budget	Expended During Month	Expenditures to Date	% of Budget	Balance at EOM
Grand Total:	0.00	531,716.26	1,812,277.31	0.00	(1,812,277.31)

6.C. Resolution Lease Purchase  
Action Item

Board Member -----then introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption, the full text of which is attached hereto as Attachment 3: A RESOLUTION OF DUNDY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 0117 (DUNDY CO-STRATTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS) IN THE STATE OF NEBRASKA AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE LEASE PURCHASE OF CERTAIN EQUIPMENT FOR USE BY THE DISTRICT; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF DOCUMENTS RELATING TO SUCH LEASE-PURCHASE FINANCING; APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF PARTICIPATION IN THE LEASE PAYMENTS TO BE MADE BY THE DISTRICT RELATING TO SUCH LEASE-PURCHASE FINANCING OR SUCH OTHER FINANCING STRUCTURE AS AUTHORIZED BY CERTAIN DISTRICT OFFICERS; AUTHORIZING DISTRICT OFFICERS TO DETERMINE THE FINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT, MATURITIES, RATES, TERMS AND OTHER DETAILS OF SUCH LEASE-PURCHASE FINANCING AND THE RELATED CERTIFICATES, SUBJECT TO THE PARAMETERS SET FORTH HEREIN; APPROVING THE DELIVERY AND USE OF AN OFFERING DOCUMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFER AND SALE OF ANY CERTIFICATES; DESIGNATING ANY LEASE-PURCHASE AGREEMENT AND ANY RELATED CERTIFICATES AS QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS; ADOPTING CERTAIN POST-ISSUANCE TAX COMPLIANCE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES WITH RESPECT TO ANY LEASE-PURCHASE AGREEMENT AND ANY RELATED CERTIFICATES; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN ACTIONS AND DOCUMENTS AND PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO. The foregoing Resolution having been read, Board Member Shad Stamm recommended for the Certificate of Participation. ----- Passed with a motion by Shad Stamm and a second by Nick Ladenburger.

Jennifer Fries:	Yea
Steve Guernsey:	Yea
Ted Henderson:	Yea
Nick Ladenburger:	Yea
Kent Lorens:	Yea
Sandy Noffsinger:	Yea
Shad Stamm:	Yea

The President of the Board publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy in the room where the meeting was being held. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

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(Other Proceedings)

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Board Member \_\_\_\_\_ then introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption, the full text of which is attached hereto as Attachment 3:

**A RESOLUTION OF DUNDY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 0117 (DUNDY CO-STRATTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS) IN THE STATE OF NEBRASKA AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE LEASE-PURCHASE OF CERTAIN EQUIPMENT FOR USE BY THE DISTRICT; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF DOCUMENTS RELATING TO SUCH LEASE-PURCHASE FINANCING; APPROVING THE ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF PARTICIPATION IN THE LEASE PAYMENTS TO BE MADE BY THE DISTRICT RELATING TO SUCH LEASE-PURCHASE FINANCING OR SUCH OTHER FINANCING STRUCTURE AS AUTHORIZED BY CERTAIN DISTRICT OFFICERS; AUTHORIZING DISTRICT OFFICERS TO DETERMINE THE FINAL AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT, MATURITIES, RATES, TERMS AND OTHER DETAILS OF SUCH LEASE-PURCHASE FINANCING AND THE RELATED CERTIFICATES, SUBJECT TO THE PARAMETERS SET FORTH HEREIN; APPROVING THE DELIVERY AND USE OF AN OFFERING DOCUMENT IN CONNECTION WITH THE OFFER AND SALE OF ANY CERTIFICATES; DESIGNATING ANY LEASE-PURCHASE AGREEMENT AND ANY RELATED CERTIFICATES AS QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS; ADOPTING CERTAIN POST-ISSUANCE TAX COMPLIANCE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES WITH RESPECT TO ANY LEASE-PURCHASE AGREEMENT AND ANY RELATED CERTIFICATES; AND AUTHORIZING CERTAIN ACTIONS AND DOCUMENTS AND PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.**

The foregoing Resolution having been read, Board Member \_\_\_\_\_ seconded the motion for its passage and adoption, and after discussion the roll was called and the

6.D. Notice of Surplus Property  
Action Item

**NOTICE OF SURPLUS PROPERTY FOR SALE**

The Board of Education of School District #117 of Dundy County, Nebraska, Dundy County Stratton Public Schools, will accept sealed purchase offer(s) for the following surplus materials described as:

- | <u>#</u> | <u>Item Description</u>                                      |
|----------|--|
| 08       | ½" thick, 4' x 6' rubber floor mats                          |
| 19       | ¾" thick, 4' x 6' rubber floor mats                          |
| 12       | 2" diameter, 30' irrigation pipe                             |
| 11       | 2" diameter, varying lengths between 10'-28' irrigation pipe |
| 07       | 3" diameter, 40' irrigation pipe                             |
|          | Assorted sprinkler couplers/heads                            |

All offers must be delivered to the office of the Superintendent, located in the Jr./Sr. High School at 400 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue West in Benkelman, Nebraska; **no later than 12:00 P.M. (M.S.T.)/1:00 p.m. (C.S.T.) on Thursday, November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025.** Any and all offer(s) will be considered at the regular meeting of the Board of Education held on Monday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Successful bidder(s) will be contacted by the district following the regular board meeting. The surplus materials will be located at the Jr./Sr. High campus in Benkelman, NE for inspection purposes. The Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all offers. Any decision of the Board of Education will be considered final.

**Rubber Floor Mat(s) offer(s):**

	\$ _____ . _____
	\$ _____ . _____
	\$ _____ . _____

**Irrigation Pipe offer(s):**

	\$ _____ . _____
	\$ _____ . _____
	\$ _____ . _____

**6.E. DCSEA as the official bargaining unit for educators**

Action Item

Motion to approve DCSEA as the official bargaining unit for educators for the 2026-2027 school year. Passed with a motion by Jennifer Fries and a second by Nick Ladenburger.

Jennifer Fries: Yea

Steve Guernsey: Yea

Ted Henderson: Yea

Nick Ladenburger: Yea

Kent Lorens: Yea

Sandy Noffsinger: Yea

Shad Stamm: Yea

October 13, 2025

Dundy County Stratton Public School  
Board of Education  
PO Box 583  
Benkelman, NE 69021

Dear Negotiations Committee:

The Dundy County Stratton Education Association requests that the school board of the Dundy County Stratton Public Schools take action to recognize Dundy County Stratton Education Association as the exclusive bargaining agent for the district's non-supervisory certificated staff for the 2027-2028 contract year.

Please direct your response to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Lesley Marshall

President

Dundy County Stratton Education Association

6.F. Resignations  
Action Item

Motion to accept the resignation from Kristian Freeland with regret and to thank him for his 18 years of service to Dundy County Stratton Schools Passed with a motion by Shad Stamm and a second by Jennifer Fries.

Jennifer Fries: Yea  
Steve Guernsey: Yea  
Ted Henderson: Yea  
Nick Ladenburger: Yea  
Kent Lorens: Yea  
Sandy Noffsinger: Yea  
Shad Stamm: Yea

Motion to accept the resignation from Ashlynn Picquet with regret and to thank her for 2 years of service with Dundy County Stratton Schools Passed with a motion by Jennifer Fries and a second by Shad Stamm.

Jennifer Fries: Yea  
Steve Guernsey: Yea  
Ted Henderson: Yea  
Nick Ladenburger: Yea  
Kent Lorens: Yea  
Sandy Noffsinger: Yea  
Shad Stamm: Yea

Kristian K. Freeland  
Elementary Principal  
Dundy County Stratton Schools

November 3, 2025

To the Dundy County Stratton Board of Education, Mr. Garey, and the DCS Staff:

After much thought and reflection, I am submitting my resignation as Elementary Principal at the conclusion of my 2025–2026 contract year.

Dundy County Stratton has been my home for the past 18 years, and it is difficult to put into words what this place and the people here mean to me. I have been truly blessed to work alongside some of the most caring, dedicated, and talented educators anyone could hope for. The teachers, staff, and students of DCS have made coming to work each day a joy and a privilege.

I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to Mrs. Davis for being the best assistant I could ever ask for—her support, organization, and friendship have meant the world to me. I also want to thank Mr. Garey for his mentorship and encouragement throughout my career. His guidance has been invaluable, and I am deeply grateful for his support.

This decision has not been an easy one, as Dundy County Stratton will always hold a special place in my heart. However, I have been given the opportunity to take the next step in my professional journey by stepping into the role of school superintendent. While I am excited for this new chapter, I will always be proud to have been part of the DCS family.

Thank you all for the memories, the laughter, and the teamwork that have made these past 18 years so special. I am committed to finishing this school year strong and supporting a smooth transition for our students and staff.

With heartfelt gratitude and appreciation,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kristian K. Freeland". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial 'K'.

Kristian K. Freeland  
Elementary Principal  
Dundy County Stratton Schools

**To Whom It May Concern,**

I would like to formally inform you that I will be resigning from my position as the first-grade teacher at Dundy County Stratton at the end of the 2025–2026 school year.

While I have greatly enjoyed the past two years working in this school and community, my fiancé and I have decided to move closer to our friends and family. I have been surrounded by amazing colleagues and coworkers who truly welcomed me into the school community.

I sincerely appreciate the opportunity to teach first grade here in Benkelman and the many opportunities I have had to learn and grow in my position. I am grateful for the support, collaboration, and experiences that have helped shape me as an educator.

Please let me know how I can help with the transition process to ensure a smooth end to the school year.

Thank you again for the opportunity to be part of the Dundy County Stratton team.

Sincerely,

**Ashlynn Picquet**

10/30/2025

6.G. Superintendent Evaluation  
Action Item

Motion to approve the Superintendent's evaluation Passed with a motion by Kent Lorens and a second by Ted Henderson.

Jennifer Fries: Yea  
Steve Guernsey: Yea  
Ted Henderson: Yea  
Nick Ladenburger: Yea  
Kent Lorens: Yea  
Sandy Noffsinger: Yea  
Shad Stamm: Yea

6.H. NASB information  
Action Item

6.I. Legislation  
Action Item

7. **Adjourn**  
Information Item

Motion to adjourn at 7:55 Passed with a motion by Kent Lorens and a second by Jennifer Fries.

Jennifer Fries: Yea  
Ted Henderson: Yea  
Nick Ladenburger: Yea  
Kent Lorens: Yea  
Sandy Noffsinger: Yea  
Shad Stamm: Yea