

# *South Platte Public School*

Board of Education, District #95

*Board President - Mr. Tim Van Zee*  
*Vice-President - Mrs. Amy Stanley*  
*Secretary - Mr. Adam Hayward*  
*Treasurer - Mr. Brian Armstrong*

*Board Member - Mr. Matt Adams*  
*Board Member - Mr. Duane Duncan*  
*Principal - Mr. Nick Brost*  
*Superintendent - Mr. David Spencer*

May 18, 2026 Regular Board Meeting

**7:00 PM** - South Platte Meeting Room in Big Springs

- I. Meeting Called To Order
  - I.A. Roll Call
  - I.B. Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Open Meetings Act
- III. Consent Agenda
  - III.A. Confirmation of the last regular meeting minutes
  - III.B. Financial Reports
  - III.C. Treasurer's Report
  - III.D. Claims: General Fund
  - III.E. Claims: Building/Bond/Depreciation Fund (If Any)
- IV. Patrons
- V. Board Members (Committee Reports)
- VI. Correspondence
- VII. Principal's Report
- VIII. Superintendent's Report
- IX. Discussion, Consideration or Action Items
  - IX.A. Cameras in the Classroom
  - IX.B. School Wellness Policy #5052 and Tri-Annual Assessment
  - IX.C. Student, Activity and Staff Handbooks
  - IX.D. Classified Wages
- X. Review the Minutes
- XI. Executive Session: Personnel
- XII. Next Regular Meeting will be \_\_\_\_\_ at 7:00 PM
- XIII. Adjournment

The agenda is tentative and may be modified up to 24 hours prior to the actual meeting. Please notify the office if you wish to have an emergency item added to the agenda. Only emergency items can be added during the last 24 hours before the board meeting. Patrons attending this meeting are asked to make comments during the "open communications" time allowed under agenda item number 3. Any later comments can only be given if the board requests it. Time for each speaker should not exceed five minutes, and where more than one speaker has the same or similar comments, having a single person designated to speak on behalf of the group will be helpful.

MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION  
South Platte School District #95  
Regular Board Meeting April 13, 2026 7:00 PM

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President Van Zee called to order the Regular Board Meeting of the school board at 7:00 PM with board members: **Present:** Matt Adams, Brian Armstrong, Duane Duncan, Adam Hayward, Amy Stanley, Tim Van Zee. Also present were Superintendent David Spencer, Principal Nick Brost and Business Manager Lisa Wilson. Notice of the meeting was published in the Keith County News, online and available at the office.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and President Van Zee made note of the Open Meetings Act poster that is on display in the meeting room.

Motion by Brian Armstrong seconded by Matt Adams to approve the consent agenda as presented with correction to amend minutes to include bids approved: A. Confirmation of the last regular meeting minutes B. Financial Reports C. Treasurer's Report D. Claims: General Fund E. Claims: Building/Bond/Depreciation Fund (if any). Motion carried.

Amy Stanley: yes, Matt Adams: yes, Adam Hayward: yes, Duane Duncan: yes, Tim Van Zee: yes, Brian Armstrong: yes

CLAIMS: Activity Fund - South Platte Schools, 25,000.00; Amazon Capital Services, Inc., 1,325.55; Bent Wrench Garage, 2,121.71; Black Hills Energy, 665.22; Card Service Center, 225.66; Carlson Electric, 869.85; Cash-Wa Dist., 126.30; Century Link, 707.04; Copy Center Plus/Novel Ideas, Inc, The, 1,680.00; Eakes, Inc., 1,645.29; Ecolab, 71.40; Einspahr, G, 87.00; Essink, R, 175.00; ESU 16, 10,840.53; Family Zone, Inc., 96.69; Goddard, M, 34.56; Hill, Jenna, 100.05; Hometown Leasing, 2,880.33; Hot Lunch Account, 496.95; Hot Lunch, 985.50; Ideal Linen Supply, 553.87; Instrumentalist Publishing Company, The, 16.50; Jacobs, B, 50.49; Johnson, C, 23.70; JWPepper, 129.78; Keith Co. News, 112.81; Lunch Fund-South Platte Schools, 25,000; Mid-American Research, 385.77; NAEA School Membership, 275.00; Newsela, 1,713.07; NPPD (Nebraska Public Power District), 2,086.94; NPPD MLBRY Acct, 77.55; NPPD Plum 2 Acct, 52.63; Office Service, Inc., 687.97; Pittam Body Shop, 2,029.18; Premier Auto Parts & Service, 18.83; Scholastic Testing Services, 106.33; South Platte Early Learning Programs, 450.00; Spady, C, 90.03; Spencer, D, 229.10; Staples, 206.49; Unum - Colonial Life Insurance Company, 1,603.21; Valley Repair, 1,717.76; Verizon Wireless, 177.25; Village Of Big Springs, 462.55; Wage Works, Inc., 164.00; Walmart Business-Trevi-Pay, 424.99; WEX Bank, 2,506.25; Wiest Hardware, 73.80; Wilson, L, 72.42; Yanda's Music & Pro Audio, 269.73; Payroll: 392,744.32.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: TRANSPORTATION: The suburban is sold; the committee is still looking for a replacement suburban. There was discussion about future maintenance.

Mr. Nick Brost's Principal's Report: Congratulations to the students of the month: Bailee Payne, Lindsay Meininger, Kayt Allen, Heidi Maupin, Jacob Lofton, Aden Marquez; Adams Bank & Trust Student of the Third Quarter: Kaitlynn Brown; Winter NCPA Academic All-State: Boys Basketball, Jacob Lofton; Girls Basketball: Madisen Adams, Jayla Paulsen; Girls Wrestling: Audrey Moorhead, Annlyn Wilson; Speech: Emalee Armstrong, Chloe Jacobs; Post Season Basketball Award recipients: MAC All Conference Basketball: Keith County All-Area Team: 1st Team: Conner Evans, Jayla; 2nd Team: Ella Stanley; Hon. Mention: Oscar Ornelas, Madisen Adams; 1st Team: Conner, Jayla, 2nd Team: Jillian Frerichs, Ella, Braylon McBride, Tatum Worley; All-Defense Team: Oscar, Madisen. Omaha World Herald All-State Hon. Mention: Jayla, Ella, Oscar, Conner. NHS hosted their Spring Blood Drive. Congratulations to Jared Scherbarth - MAC All Conference Quiz Bowl and Ella - MAC Hon. Mention Quiz Bowl. South Platte Hosted MAC Music Contest. Band placed 3rd (Superior), Show Choir received an Excellent rating, Audrey M. placed 3rd for her Soprano Solo. South Platte received 3rd place in MAC Sportsmanship Voting for Winter Activities. South Platte hosted District Speech — Congratulations to Chloe: District Champion in POI and Poetry, Emalee: District Champion in Serious, Ella, 3rd Place in Persuasive. All 3 qualified for State Speech. Congratulations to Ella, 4th Place at State Speech. Twenty-Nine students received the Nebraska State College System Multi-Activity Student Award. FFA members attended State FFA. Congratulations to Tyler Armstrong -- Blue Ribbon in Agronomy; Jadyn Babst, Jordyn Babst and Madisen -- Connecting Chapters Award. The Honor Roll students (Honor Roll (60) Honorable Mention (10)) were served brownies and ice cream. Penny Carnival was a great success. Thank you

to Denise, Dustie and the rest of our staff that helped make the night successful. Upcoming dates: April 23 - District Music Contest at WNCC; April 29 - 12:45 Dismissal; April 30 - MAC Golf @ Bayard; May 1 - MAC Track @ Leyton; May 4 - K-6 Music Program; May 6 - Seniors Last Day; May 7 - Senior Breakfast/Activity Banquet; May 9 - Graduation 3pm.

Mr. David Spencer's Superintendent's Report: Mr. Spencer handed out the School Wellness Policy #5052 and discussed the Tri-Annual Assessment. There have been and will be several Elementary Learning Trips. He attended the state speech and watched the three State Speech qualifiers. Dibels Testing will have a (new provider) next year. The ESU 16 Cohort Groups will meet again on May 28th. There will be a Science of Reading training session (2026-2027) three staff members will be involved. He provided a Penny Carnival update (\$5,653.96). The Prom/Post Prom was this past weekend. A special thank you to the Booster Club and all the people who help to make those events happen. State Testing is under way. The 2026 NASB Membership guide was given to the board. The Pre-school has approached Mr. Spencer about supplies and lunch support. Graduation is May 9.

There was discussion about the 2025-26 School Calendar (last day). Motion by Adam Hayward seconded by Duane Duncan to accept May 14 as the last day of school for students with dismissal at 11 am. Motion carried. Duane Duncan: yes, Amy Stanley: yes, Matt Adams: yes, Tim Van Zee: yes, Adam Hayward: yes, Brian Armstrong: yes

There was discussion about 2026-27 school calendar. Motion by Amy Stanley to continue with five-day school week with continued research on four-day school week -- the motion died with lack of a second. Motion by Brian Armstrong seconded by Duane Duncan to adopt the four-day school week with a review audit in two years. Motion carried.

Tim Van Zee: yes, Adam Hayward: yes, Matt Adams: yes, Brian Armstrong: yes, Duane Duncan: yes, Amy Stanley: no

Discussion about summer projects: Mr. Essink has ordered the cabinets. An item mentioned last month was cameras in the classroom. Mr. Spencer handed out the KSB referenced policy 3059 about cameras in the classroom with a KSB memorandum and referenced policy. There is a quote presented for cameras. The board asked Mr. Spencer to do more research on this topic.

Motion by Amy Stanley seconded by Brian Armstrong to acknowledge the graduating class of 2026. Motion carried.

Amy Stanley: yes, Duane Duncan: yes, Brian Armstrong: yes, Matt Adams: Abstain (With Conflict), Adam Hayward: yes, Tim Van Zee: yes

Review the minutes.

The next regular meeting of the SPBOE will be May 18, 2026 at 7:00 PM.

Motion by Adam Hayward seconded by Amy Stanley to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Amy Stanley: yes, Tim Van Zee: yes, Matt Adams: yes, Duane Duncan: yes, Adam Hayward: yes, Brian Armstrong: yes

The meeting was adjourned at 8:28 PM.

Adam Hayward, Secretary

MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION  
South Platte School District #95  
Regular Board Meeting March 9, 2026 7:00 PM

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President Van Zee called to order the Regular Board Meeting of the school board at 7:00 PM with board members: **Present:** Matt Adams, Brian Armstrong, Duane Duncan, Adam Hayward, Amy Stanley, Tim Van Zee. Also present were Superintendent David Spencer, Principal Nick Brost and Business Manager Lisa Wilson. Notice of the meeting was published in the Keith County News, online and available at the office.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and President Van Zee made note of the Open Meetings Act poster that is on display in the meeting room.

Motion by Brian Armstrong seconded by Matt Adams to approve the consent agenda as presented: A. Confirmation of the last regular meeting minutes B. Financial Reports C. Treasurer's Report D. Claims: General Fund E. Claims: Building/Bond/Depreciation Fund (if any). Motion carried.

Matt Adams: yes, Duane Duncan: Abstain (With Conflict), Adam Hayward: yes, Brian Armstrong: yes, Tim Van Zee: yes, Amy Stanley: yes

CLAIMS: All Star Auto Glass, 765.00; Amazon Capital Services, Inc., 1,668.51; Black Hills Energy, 3,700.00; Brost, N., 23.70; Brule Activity Center, 2,500.00; Card Service Center, 244.89; Carlson Electric, 92.00; Carolina Biological Supply Company, 83.75; Century Link, 706.75; DASHr Systems, 1,445.00; Duncan AG & Auto Repair, 4,319.50; Eakes, Inc., 981.28; Ecolab, 71.40; Emergent 3 Inc., 1,500.00; ESU 16, 11,405.60; Family Zone, Inc., 1,933.65; Gallentine, A., 71.88; Holiday Inn Express & Suites Lincoln I-80, 357.00; Holiday Inn Of Kearney, 429.85; Hometown Leasing, 2,880.33; Hot Lunch Account, 558.75; Hot Lunch, 1,323.00; Ideal Linen Supply, 378.13; Inland Truck Parts, 2,716.56; Jacobs, B., 72.32; Jostens, 273.90; JWPepper, 76.96; Keith Co. News, 95.10; Lofton, M., 241.00; Mid-American Research, 3,902.39; NASB (Nebraska Association Of School Boards), 270.00; Nebraska Council School Administrators, 165.00; Newsela, 1,713.07; NPPD (Nebraska Public Power District), 3,300.00; NPPD MLBRY Acct, 77.55; NPPD Plum 2 Acct, 52.63; Ogallala Ace Hardware, 38.97; Poppe's Truck & Diesel Repair, 4,262.72; Premier Auto Parts & Service, 559.98; R Lawn LLC, 11,548.03; Ray's Cement Works, 650.00; S & W Auto Supply, 372.81; Scherbarth, S, 26.88; School Mate, 344.00; Sidney Heavy Truck & Auto, LLC, 645.72; Snell Services, Inc., 535.49; South Platte Early Learning Programs, 450.00; SP Building Fund, 110,000.00; Spencer, D., 909.63; Staples, 288.46; Unum, 1,603.21; Verizon Wireless, 183.22; Village Of Big Springs, 675.00; Wage Works, Inc., 164.00; Walmart Business-Trevi-Pay, 370.49; Wayside Publishing, 196.65; WEX Bank, 2,735.42; Wiest Hardware, 230.70; Wilson, L., 550.00; Yanda's Music & Pro Audio, 85.80; Payroll: 337,236.54 Building Fund: SP Bond, 60,566.05

John Brown addressed the board about student handbook concerns. BJ Franken, Amanda Mathis and Denise Meininger addressed the board with concerns about the proposed 4-day school week.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: EDUCATION: Tim VanZee gave an update about the Board Presidents Training that he attended. The NRCSA conference is next week.

TRANSPORTATION: Adam Hayward provided an update on the 2020 suburban and a replacement. The board recommended selling the suburban "as is" and authorizing the

transportation committee to purchase another up to \$50,000. The president asked for transportation to be moved to Discussion Items.

Mr. Nick Brost's Principal's Report: Congratulations Students of the Month: Matthew Woddard, Skye Trujillo, Laila Marshall, Braylon McBride, Chloe Jacobs, Gabe Kendrick. FFA Judging Contest Results: South Platte FFA attended a judging competition in North Platte on Feb. 11th: Team Ribbon (Red) - Ag Mechanics Team 1): Gabe Kendrick, Keal Carlson, Oscar Ornelas, and Jed Delatour. Individual Ribbons: BoDelle Koehler- Vet Science (White), Gabe Kendrick -Ag Mechanics (Red), Keal Carlson- Ag Mechanics (Red), Jed Delatour- Ag Mechanics (White), Brody Miller- Ag Mechanics (White), Oscar Ornelas- Ag Mechanics (White), Conner Evans -Ag Mechanics (White). The JH BBB and BBG completed their seasons. JH Boys placed 3rd, JH Girls placed 4th. Congratulations to our new NHS members: JH NHS: Kanoa Levias, Marshall Bonander, Christian Scherbarth, Mason Howell, Saffron Fanning, EmmaLee Leonard, Lyndsay Meininger, Skye Trujillo, Faith McHenry. HS NHS: Jacob Lofton, Tyler Armstrong, Jared Scherbarth, Chloe Jacobs, Jayla Paulsen, Ella Stanley, Annlyn Wilson, Emily Muhollen. Congratulations to the speech team for medaling at MAC speech: Chloe Jacobs - Poetry and POI (Champion). Emalee Armstrong - Serious Prose (3rd), Ella Stanley - Persuasive (4th). Congratulations to Drake Arensdorf who qualified for state wrestling with a fourth place finish at District Wrestling. Drake and Audrey Moorhead competed at State Wrestling. Aden Marquez auditioned for, and earned music scholarships to WNCC for next year. South Platte hosted Mike Donahue for Value Up presentations to all students in grades K-12. South Platte hosted the Show Choir Showcase thanks to Mrs. Jacobs and students for an outstanding performance. Congratulations to Chloe Jacobs for her 3rd finish at the Nebraska State Poetry Out Loud Competition. Parent-Teacher Conferences had a fifty-nine percent attendance rate for JH/HS parents.

Mr. David Spencer's Superintendent's Report: Mr. Spencer attended the State Bowling in Lincoln where three South Platte students were invited to sing the National Anthem. The National Honor Society Induction was held. There was a Continuous Improvement Plan (a five-year plan) meeting with ESU 16. We had five students who performed in the Missoula Children's Theatre, and we took the elementary students to watch. We received the Title I State review from Lincoln and we passed. The Staff in-service was held the morning of the Parent Teacher Conference and there were MTSS meetings for HS/JH/Elem during that time. We are still participating in the Educational co-hort with ESU 16 for Reading Curriculum. The Penny Carnival will be March 20 and Prom is April 11. He presented upcoming NASB finance meetings that are scheduled for board education.

Mr. Spencer showed the board DRAFT calendars of four and five-day calendars. There was a discussion about the 2026-27 school calendar. The board scheduled input opportunities for the public to meet with board members for questions about the school calendar. The days scheduled for the Q&A about the Four-Day week with Board Members and Administration are March 22 at 6:00 pm and March 30 at 7:00 pm.

There was a discussion about NASB's Superintendent Evaluation Tool. President VanZee created a committee to evaluate this tool consisting of Amy Stanley, Brian Armstrong and President Van Zee.

President Van Zee moved Administrative Contracts to Executive Session.

There was discussion about summer projects. Motion by Brian Armstrong seconded by Duane Duncan to to accept summer project bids as presented for the elementary (Title I and 4th Grade room) improvements, HVAC (Van Zee Heating and Air Conditioning, Freedom Construction and Painting and Brent Mollendor Construction, LLC); Ryan Essink for Cabinents for same and Fifth grade sink; and Midwest Floor Specialists to complete the HS gym floor refinishing. Motion carried.

Tim Van Zee: Abstain (With Conflict), Brian Armstrong: yes, Duane Duncan: yes, Adam Hayward: yes, Amy Stanley: yes, Matt Adams: yes

There was discussion about transportation for the students and a suburban. Motion by Adam Hayward seconded by Amy Stanley to authorize the transportation committee to purchase another suburban not to exceed \$50,000. Motion carried.

Duane Duncan: yes, Amy Stanley: yes, Adam Hayward: yes, Tim Van Zee: yes, Matt Adams: yes, Brian Armstrong: yes

Motion by Adam Hayward seconded by Brian Armstrong to dispose of the 2020 suburban via auction through Lewellen Motors "as is". Motion carried.

Brian Armstrong: yes, Adam Hayward: yes, Duane Duncan: yes, Amy Stanley: yes, Tim Van Zee: yes, Matt Adams: yes

Review the minutes.

Motion by Matt Adams seconded by Amy Stanley to go into executive session to Administrative Contracts at 10:02 PM. Motion carried.

Adam Hayward: yes, Tim Van Zee: yes, Amy Stanley: yes, Matt Adams: yes, Duane Duncan: yes, Brian Armstrong: yes

Motion by Matt Adams seconded by Duane Duncan to return to regular session after discussion Administrative Contracts at 10:46 PM. Motion carried.

Duane Duncan: yes, Tim Van Zee: yes, Adam Hayward: yes, Amy Stanley: yes, Matt Adams: yes, Brian Armstrong: yes

Motion by Matt Adams seconded by Duane Duncan to approve Principal/AD contract as presented. Motion carried.

Duane Duncan: yes, Matt Adams: yes, Adam Hayward: no, Amy Stanley: no, Brian Armstrong: yes, Tim Van Zee: yes

The next regular meeting of the SPBOE will be April 13, 2026 at 7:00 PM.

Motion by Adam Hayward seconded by Matt Adams to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Adam Hayward: yes, Amy Stanley: yes, Tim Van Zee: yes, Duane Duncan: yes, Matt Adams: yes, Brian Armstrong: yes

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 PM.

Adam Hayward, Secretary