Board of Education Regular Meeting

Monday, August 11, 2025 7:00 PM
Public School Library
506 W. 9th Street
Dorchester, NE 68343-0007

Notice of the time and place of the Dorchester Board of Education meeting was published in a newspaper of general circulation within the district. Newspapers of general circulation in the district include, but are not necessarily limited to, the Crete News, the Lincoln Journal Star, or the Omaha World-Herald. Notice is also posted in at least three prominent places within the school district which may include the following: Dorchester Public Schools, Farmers Coop, First State Bank, and the Village Office. Individual board members received in advance the meeting agenda and meeting materials. Pursuant to Section 84-1412 of the Nebraska Statutes, the public is hereby informed that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted in the Board meeting boardroom.

Matt Bolton:	Present
Matthew Hansen:	Present
Shelly Lehr:	Present
Carol Schnell:	Present
Matt Smith:	Present
Steve Vyhnalek:	Present

1. Call to Order and Announce Open Meetings Act Verification

The board meeting was called to order by President Steve Vyhnalek. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. Roll Call

In attendance were Superintendent Nick Mumm, Principal JJ Wagner, and Jen Bond.

3. Receive Visitors and Announce Open Forum for Public Comment

No visitors present.

4. Request for Change of Agenda

No request for change of agenda.

5. Approval of the Minutes of the Last Meeting(s)

Motion to approve the reading of the last meeting minutes Passed with a motion by Matt Smith and a second by Shelly Lehr.
Matt Bolton: Yea, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Matt Smith: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

6. Financial Report

Motion to approve the financial report Passed with a motion by Carol Schnell and a second by Shelly Lehr.
Matt Bolton: Yea, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Matt Smith: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

7. Reports

7.1. Principal's Report

Mr. Wagner told the board that summer school was a success. He attended Admin Days in Kearney and networked at a Concordia luncheon.

7.2. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Mumm reported that he has been meeting with staff and getting settled into his new role.

8. Action Items

8.1. Discuss, consider, and take all necessary action on Resolution to exceed the Property Tax Base Growth Percentage Increase for the 2025-26 fiscal year

Motion to exceed the property tax base growth percentage increase for the 2025-26 fiscal year Passed with a motion by Matt Bolton and a second by Matt Smith.
Matt Bolton: Yea, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Matt Smith: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

8.2. Discuss, consider, and take all necessary actions to close all money market accounts and transfer the remaining balances to the appropriate accounts. Close the General Fund money market account and transfer $234,268.52 to the General Fund. Close the Depreciation Fund money market account and transfer $30,656.47 to the Depreciation Fund. Close the Bond Fund money market account and transfer $11,695.85 to the Bond Fund. Close the Special Building Fund money market account and transfer $103,956.44 to the Special Building Fund.

Motion to close the General Fund Money Market Account and transfer $234,303.82 to the General Fund, close the Depreciation Fund Money Market Account and transfer $30,657.39 to the Depreciation Fund, close the Bond Fund Money Market Account and transfer $11,696.03 to the Bond Fund, and close the Special Building Fund Money Market Account and transfer $103,972.10 to the Special Building Fund Passed with a motion by Matt Smith and a second by Matthew Hansen.
Matt Bolton: Yea, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Matt Smith: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

8.3. Discuss and take all necessary action to cash in six current district CDs to be deposited in the designated accounts: General Fund $500,000.00, Depreciation Fund $50,000.00, and Employees Benefit $15,000.00 and $25,000.00.

Motion to cash in six district CDs to be deposited in the designated accounts: General Fund $500,000, $50,000, and $50,000, Depreciation Fund $50,000, and Employee Benefit Fund $15,000 and $25,000 Passed with a motion by Matt Bolton and a second by Matthew Hansen Passed with a motion by Matt Bolton and a second by Matthew Hansen.
Matt Bolton: Yea, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Matt Smith: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

8.4. Discuss and take all necessary action to close the Employee Benefit Fund and transfer the remaining funds of $9,318.97 to the General fund.

Motion to close the Employee Benefit Fund and transfer the remaining balance of $49,061.98 to the General Fund Passed with a motion by Shelly Lehr and a second by Matt Bolton.
Matt Bolton: Yea, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Matt Smith: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

8.5. Discuss and take all necessary action to close the Student Fees Account and transfer the remaining balance of $1,087.36 to the General Fund.

Motion to close the Student Fees Account and transfer the remaining balance of $1,087.36 to the General Fund Passed with a motion by Carol Schnell and a second by Matthew Hansen.
Matt Bolton: Yea, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Matt Smith: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

8.6. Discuss and take necessary action to approve a 2026 Thomas School bus for $145,895

Discussion to approve a school bus tabled until the spring

8.7. Discuss and take all necessary action to approve the purchase of a 2026, nine-passenger school van.

Motion to approve the purchase of a 2026, nine-passenger school van Passed with a motion by Matthew Hansen and a second by Matt Bolton.
Matt Bolton: Yea, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Matt Smith: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

8.8. Discuss and take all necessary action to approve the six school board committees; Finance, Maintenance and Transportation, American Civics, Curriculum and Continuous Improvement, Negotiations, and Policy.

Motion to approve the six school board committees: Finance, Maintenance and Transportation, American Civics, Curriculum and Continuous Improvement, Negotiations, and Policy Passed with a motion by Matt Smith and a second by Shelly Lehr.
Matt Bolton: Yea, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Matt Smith: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

8.9. Discuss and take all necessary action to approve moving $25,000.00 from the General Fund to the Activities Fund.

Motion to approve moving $25,000 from the General Fund to the Activities Fund Passed with a motion by Matt Bolton and a second by Carol Schnell.
Matt Bolton: Yea, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Matt Smith: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

8.10. Discuss, consider, and take all necessary action to approve the Carrier quote to improve the HV/AC system.

Motion to approve the Carrier quote to improve the HVAC System Passed with a motion by Matt Bolton and a second by Matthew Hansen.
Matt Bolton: Yea, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Matt Smith: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

8.11. Discuss, consider, and take all necessary action to update the handbook policies for Duel-credit, college courses, and work release.

Motion to update the handbook policies for dual-credit, college courses, and work release Passed with a motion by Shelly Lehr and a second by Matthew Hansen.
Matt Bolton: Yea, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Matt Smith: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

9. Board Committee Report(s)

None at this time

10. Closed Session (as necessary per statute)

Not needed at this time.

11. Establish Future Board of Education Meeting Date(s) and Time(s): Wednesday, August 27th Budget Retreat at 5:30pm and next regular board meeting Monday, September 8th at 7:00pm

The next scheduled board meeting is the Board Retreat on Wednesday, August 27th at 5:30 pm and the next regular board meeting is Monday, September 8th at 5:30 pm

12. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 8:38 pm Passed with a motion by Carol Schnell and a second by Matthew Hansen. Matt Bolton: Yea, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Matt Smith: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

Carol Schnell?(s) Carol Schnell, Secretary of the Board of Education