

Board of Education Regular Meeting

Monday, August 10, 2026 7:00 PM

Minden High School Media Center, 543 West 5th, Minden, NE 68959-0301

Andy Craig: Present
Justin Glanzer: Present
Cody Krull: Present
Kevin Raun: Present
Darcie Reed: Present
Rusty Rhynalds: Present

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

Action(s):

Motion to approve consent agenda with corrections noted to July 13 meeting minutes. This motion, made by Andy Craig and seconded by Justin Glanzer, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Andy Craig: Yea
Justin Glanzer: Yea
Cody Krull: Yea
Kevin Raun: Yea
Darcie Reed: Yea
Rusty Rhynalds: Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 6, Nay: 0

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 2025-26 Year End Bills

Action(s):

Motion to approve Jeremy Knajdl to issue payment for the 2025-26 year end bills. This motion, made by Andy Craig and seconded by Justin Glanzer, Tabled.

Voting Detail:

Andy Craig:	Yea
Justin Glanzer:	Yea
Cody Krull:	Yea
Kevin Raun:	Yea
Darcie Reed:	Yea
Rusty Rhynalds:	Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 6, Nay: 0

6.b. Consider, Discuss, and Take Action on 2025-26 Audit Agreement

Action(s):

Motion to approve the 2025-26 audit agreement with Dana F Cole. This motion, made by Andy Craig and seconded by Kevin Raun, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Andy Craig:	Yea
Justin Glanzer:	Yea
Cody Krull:	Yea
Kevin Raun:	Yea
Darcie Reed:	Yea
Rusty Rhynalds:	Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 6, Nay: 0

6.c. Consider, Discuss, and Take Action to Approve the Transfer of Beef In Schools Funds to Minden Schools Foundation

Action(s):

Motion to approve the transfer of all funds within the Beef In Schools Fund to the Minden Schools Foundation in accordance with and required by IRS regulations and guidance, and authorize the Superintendent to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the transfer. This motion, made by Justin Glanzer and seconded by Cody Krull, Passed.

Voting Detail:

Andy Craig:	Yea
Justin Glanzer:	Yea
Cody Krull:	Yea
Kevin Raun:	Yea
Darcie Reed:	Yea
Rusty Rhynalds:	Yea

Voting Summary: Yea: 6, Nay: 0

7. **Next Meeting & Educational Opportunities**

8. **Adjournment per Board President Action at 7:21
pm**

Board Secretary

**MINDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
July 13, 2026**

The agenda for the July 13, 2026 meeting was 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 agenda was posted in the superintendent's office and notice was published in the local paper.

At 7:00 pm, the Board heard support, opposition, criticism and/or suggestions for the reaffirmation of Policy 5416 Student Fees. At 7:10 pm, the hearing was closed.

The board meeting began at 7:10 pm with all board members present, except Glanzer and Krull.

Public comment was heard from Alyssa Schneider.

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

Motion by Glanzer and second by Krull to approve the consent agenda consisting of minutes from the May 19 and June 8 meetings, financial reports, and claims for payment. Roll call: Craig, aye; Glanzer, absent; Krull, absent; Raun, aye; Reed, aye; Rhynalds, aye. Motion carried.

The board reviewed Policy 5008 Student Attendance, Policy 5101 Student Discipline, Policy 5415 Anti-Bullying, Policy 5417 School Wellness Policy, Policy 6370 Multi Cultural Education, and Policy 6400 Parent Involvement.

Motion by Craig and second by Reed to reaffirm Policy 5416 Student Fees. Roll call: Craig, aye; Glanzer, absent; Krull, absent; Raun, aye; Reed, aye; Rhynalds, aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Rhynalds and second by Raun to designate Jennifer Whitesel and Jeremy Knajdl as the authorized representatives of the Minden Public Schools Food Service Program for the 2026-27 school year. Roll call: Craig, aye; Glanzer, absent; Krull, absent; Raun, aye; Reed, aye; Rhynalds, aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Craig and second by Reed to approve membership in Nebraska Rural Community Schools Association. Roll call: Craig, aye; Glanzer, absent; Krull, absent; Raun, aye; Reed, aye; Rhynalds, aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Craig and second by Reed to approve the 2026-27 Preschool, East Elementary, Middle School, High School, and Staff Handbooks. Roll call: Craig, aye; Glanzer, absent; Krull, absent; Raun, aye; Reed, aye; Rhynalds, aye. Motion carried.

Motion by Rhynalds and second by Craig to approve the resolution as presented regarding required staff trainings for the 2026-27 school year. Roll call: Craig, aye; Glanzer, absent; Krull, absent; Raun, aye; Reed, aye; Rhynalds, aye. Motion carried.

At 7:38 pm, the meeting was adjourned per Board President action.

Secretary, Board of Education

MINDEN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
TREASURER'S REPORT
July 31, 2026

SCHOOL BALANCE - June 30, 2026			\$353,770.25
Current Months Receipts			\$172,543.78
Transfers from Investments			\$615,000.00
Total Beginning Balance and Receipts			<u>\$1,141,314.03</u>
Less: Disbursements			\$1,051,308.57
Transfer to Investments			<u>\$0.00</u>
Total Disbursements			<u>\$1,051,308.57</u>
SCHOOL BALANCE - July 31, 2026			<u><u>\$90,005.46</u></u>
BALANCE PER BANK STATEMENT - July 31, 2026			\$94,727.27
Deposits In Transit			\$0.00
LESS : Outstanding Checks			<u>\$4,721.81</u>
RECONCILED BANK BALANCE - July 31, 2026			<u><u>\$90,005.46</u></u>
(Balance - July 31, 2025 = \$28,532.11)			
GENERAL FUND INVESTMENTS			\$5,280,801.10
Money Market Minden Exchange	\$3,895,024.04	2.02% demand	
Money Market First Bank	\$1,385,777.06	1.51% demand	
(Balance July 31, 2025 = \$5,198,227.64)			
DEPRECIATION FUND INVESTED			\$328,071.31
Money Market Minden Exchange Bank	\$278,256.16	2.02% demand	
Money Market First Bank	\$49,809.96	1.11% demand	
Checking Minden Exchange Bank	\$5.19		
(Balance July 31, 2025 = \$181,947.45)			
BUILDING FUND			\$2,955,702.81
Money Market Minden Exchange Bank	\$2,132,607.73	2.02% demand	
Money Market First Bank	\$135,437.83	1.51% demand	
NE Liquid Asset Fund - Building Fund	\$687,652.75	3.38% demand	
Checking Minden Exchange Bank	\$4.50		
(Balance July 31, 2025 = \$2,023,127.52)			
BOND FUND			\$1,933,080.21
Money Market Minden Exchange Bank	\$1,219,293.44	2.02% demand	
NE Liquid Asset Fund - Bond Fund	\$713,786.77	3.39% demand	
(Balance July 31, 2025 = \$1,878,765.41)			
LUNCH FUND			\$56,894.26
Money Market First Bank	\$1,919.44	1.01% demand	
Checking First Bank	\$54,974.82		
(Balance July 31, 2025 = \$9,750.46)			
FUNDS PLEDGED FOR DEPOSITS			
Minden Exchange Bank	\$9,000,000.00	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
July 31, 2026

Bank	Account #	Beginning Balance	Plus: Receipts	Plus/(Minus) Transfers/Loans	Minus: Expenditures	Ending/ Reconciled Balance	Previous Year Ending Balance
General Fund							
MEB	401505	\$353,770.25	\$172,543.78	\$615,000.00	\$1,051,308.57	\$90,005.46	\$28,532.11
MEB	601096	\$4,503,116.28	\$6,907.76	(\$615,000.00)	\$0.00	\$3,895,024.04	\$3,833,580.95
FB&T	801472	\$1,384,013.86	\$1,763.20	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,385,777.06	\$1,364,646.69
	Subtotal	\$6,240,900.39	\$181,214.74	\$0.00	\$1,051,308.57	\$5,370,806.56	\$5,226,759.75
Depreciation Fund							
MEB	401919	\$5.19	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5.19	\$5.19
MEB	613109	\$277,784.31	\$471.85	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$278,256.16	\$132,695.43
FB&T	807982	\$49,763.47	\$46.49	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$49,809.96	\$49,246.83
	Subtotal	\$327,552.97	\$518.34	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$328,071.31	\$181,947.45
Building Fund							
MEB	106690	\$4.50	\$0.00	\$180,544.70	\$180,544.70	\$4.50	\$4.50
MEB	603209	\$2,299,120.41	\$14,032.02	(\$180,544.70)	\$0.00	\$2,132,607.73	\$1,226,258.79
FB&T	801407	\$135,265.51	\$172.32	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$135,437.83	\$133,372.69
NLAF	9300655	\$685,677.71	\$1,975.04	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$687,652.75	\$663,491.54
	Subtotal	\$3,120,068.13	\$16,179.38	\$0.00	\$180,544.70	\$2,955,702.81	\$2,023,127.52
Bond Fund							
MEB	620112	\$1,206,398.01	\$12,895.43	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,219,293.44	\$1,194,252.84
NLAF	9300692	\$713,115.30	\$671.47	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$713,786.77	\$684,512.57
	Subtotal	\$1,919,513.31	\$13,566.90	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,933,080.21	\$1,878,765.41
Lunch Fund							
FB&T	801399	\$1,917.81	\$1.63	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,919.44	\$1,899.64
FB&T	990119	\$41,515.39	\$31,464.69	\$0.00	\$18,005.26	\$54,974.82	\$7,850.82
	Subtotal	\$43,433.20	\$31,466.32	\$0.00	\$18,005.26	\$56,894.26	\$9,750.46
Grand Total		\$11,651,468.00	\$242,945.68	\$0.00	\$1,249,858.53	\$10,644,555.15	\$9,320,350.59

2025/26 Projections vs. Actuals for General Fund

As of July 31, 2026

Income

2024/25 Budgeted Income = \$13,339,362.54

Month	Projected Income	Actual Income	Over/(Under) Projection	Running Balance Over/(Under) Projection
September	\$1,595,749.51	\$1,496,569.58	(\$99,179.93)	(\$99,179.93)
October	\$566,922.91	\$641,420.61	\$74,497.70	(\$24,682.23)
November	\$220,099.48	\$108,633.28	(\$111,466.20)	(\$136,148.43)
December	\$312,141.08	\$518,932.61	\$206,791.53	\$70,643.10
January	\$2,012,909.81	\$1,546,409.73	(\$466,500.08)	(\$395,856.98)
February	\$1,768,437.72	\$2,596,382.27	\$827,944.55	\$432,087.57
March	\$1,187,203.27	\$553,784.85	(\$633,418.42)	(\$201,330.85)
April	\$642,957.27	\$853,677.91	\$210,720.64	\$9,389.79
May	\$3,436,219.79	\$4,207,779.02	\$771,559.23	\$780,949.02
June	\$1,236,558.91	\$782,342.62	(\$454,216.29)	\$326,732.73
July	\$176,079.59	\$177,967.10	\$1,887.51	\$328,620.24
August	\$184,083.20			

Cash Flow

Month	Projected Cash Flow	Actual Cash Flow	Over/(Under) Projection	Running Balance Over/(Under) Projection
September	\$196,569.33	\$230,163.19	\$33,593.86	\$33,593.86
October	(\$632,988.78)	(\$554,424.67)	\$78,564.11	\$112,157.97
November	(\$948,273.32)	(\$1,023,386.76)	(\$75,113.44)	\$37,044.53
December	(\$874,868.34)	(\$540,464.77)	\$334,403.57	\$371,448.10
January	\$910,481.98	\$489,775.71	(\$420,706.27)	(\$49,258.17)
February	\$587,162.65	\$1,537,272.03	\$950,109.38	\$900,851.21
March	\$40,334.27	(\$570,879.61)	(\$611,213.88)	\$289,637.33
April	(\$561,255.19)	(\$257,735.77)	\$303,519.42	\$593,156.75
May	\$2,273,581.34	\$3,028,815.26	\$755,233.92	\$1,348,390.67
June	\$18,010.59	(\$312,499.93)	(\$330,510.52)	\$1,017,880.15
July	(\$937,816.93)	(\$870,093.83)	\$67,723.10	\$1,085,603.25
August	(\$1,067,437.60)			

Expenses

2024/25 Budgeted Expenses = \$14,335,862.54

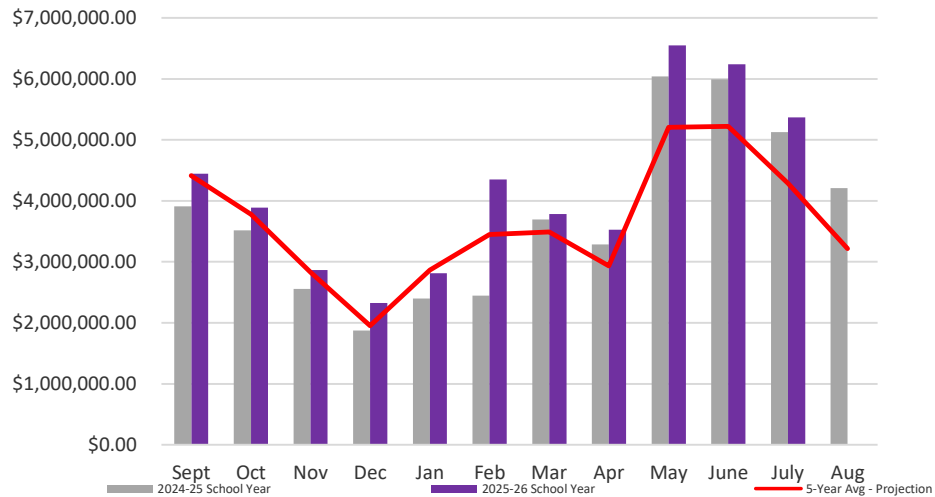
Month	Projected Expenses	Actual Expenses	Over/(Under) Projection	Running Balance Over/(Under) Projection
September	\$1,399,180.18	\$1,266,406.39	(\$132,773.79)	(\$132,773.79)
October	\$1,199,911.69	\$1,195,845.28	(\$4,066.41)	(\$136,840.20)
November	\$1,168,372.80	\$1,132,020.04	(\$36,352.76)	(\$173,192.96)
December	\$1,187,009.42	\$1,059,397.38	(\$127,612.04)	(\$300,805.00)
January	\$1,102,427.83	\$1,056,634.02	(\$45,793.81)	(\$346,598.81)
February	\$1,181,275.07	\$1,059,110.24	(\$122,164.83)	(\$468,763.64)
March	\$1,146,869.00	\$1,124,664.46	(\$22,204.54)	(\$490,968.18)
April	\$1,204,212.46	\$1,111,413.68	(\$92,798.78)	(\$583,766.96)
May	\$1,162,638.45	\$1,178,963.76	\$16,325.31	(\$567,441.65)
June	\$1,218,548.32	\$1,094,842.55	(\$123,705.77)	(\$691,147.42)
July	\$1,113,896.52	\$1,048,060.93	(\$65,835.59)	(\$756,983.01)
August	\$1,251,520.80			

General Fund Balance

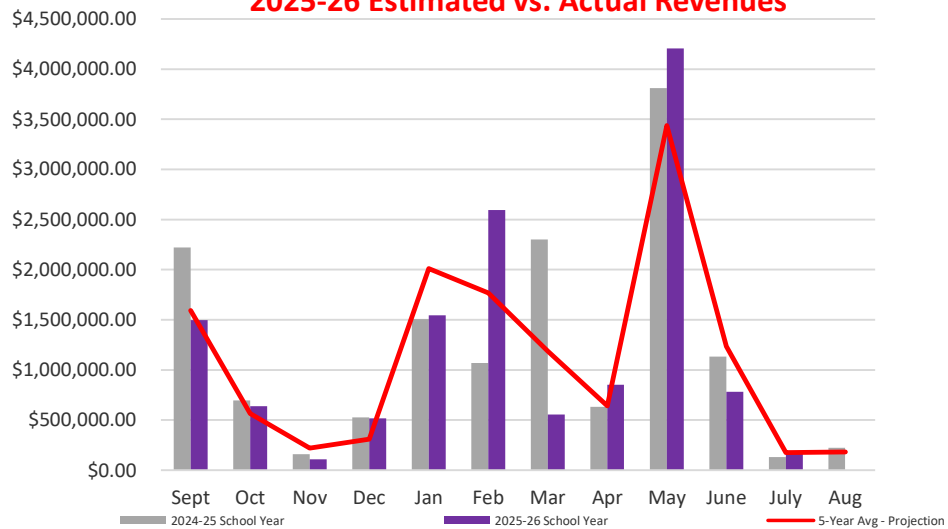
Beginning Reconciled GF Balance = \$4,214,265.71

Month	Projected GF Balance	Actual Reconciled GF Balance	Over/(Under) Projection
September	\$4,410,835.04	\$4,444,428.90	\$33,593.86
October	\$3,777,846.26	\$3,890,004.23	\$112,157.97
November	\$2,829,572.94	\$2,866,617.47	\$37,044.53
December	\$1,954,704.60	\$2,326,152.70	\$371,448.10
January	\$2,865,186.58	\$2,815,928.41	(\$49,258.17)
February	\$3,452,349.23	\$4,353,200.44	\$900,851.21
March	\$3,492,683.50	\$3,782,320.83	\$289,637.33
April	\$2,931,428.31	\$3,524,585.06	\$593,156.75
May	\$5,205,009.65	\$6,553,400.32	\$1,348,390.67
June	\$5,223,020.24	\$6,240,900.39	\$1,017,880.15
July	\$4,285,203.31	\$5,370,806.56	\$1,085,603.25
August	\$3,217,765.71		

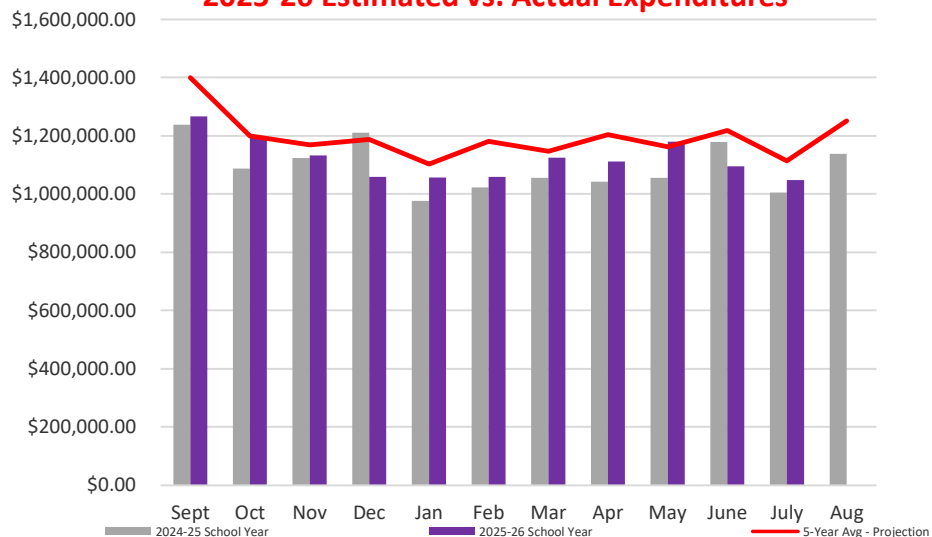
2025-26 Estimated vs. Actual General Fund Balance



2025-26 Estimated vs. Actual Revenues



2025-26 Estimated vs. Actual Expenditures



General Fund Revenues - Thru 07/31/26

Account Description	Adopted Budget	Received	Remaining Balance	Percent Received
01100 - Taxes Levied/Assessed	\$9,508,972.54	\$4,422,030.12	\$5,086,942.42	46.50%
01115 - Carline Taxes	\$3,500.00	\$1,526.98	\$1,973.02	43.63%
01120 - Public Power District Sales Tax	\$35,000.00	\$48,954.15	(\$13,954.15)	139.87%
01125 - Motor Vehicle Taxes	\$425,000.00	\$460,760.76	(\$35,760.76)	108.41%
01140 - Penalty & Interest on Delinquent Taxes	\$14,250.00	\$9,561.36	\$4,688.64	67.10%
01370 - Preschool Tuition and Fees	\$20,000.00	\$21,427.64	(\$1,427.64)	107.14%
01510 - Interest	\$40,000.00	\$64,910.11	(\$24,910.11)	162.28%
01910 - Rental of School Facilities & Equipment	\$1,000.00	\$175.00	\$825.00	17.50%
01911 - Local License Fees	\$3,750.00	\$2,660.00	\$1,090.00	70.93%
01920 - Contributions and Donations	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	0.00%
01921 - Police Court Fines	\$500.00	\$225.00	\$275.00	45.00%
01925 - Categorical Grants from Corporations/Private Sources	\$0.00	\$6,269.07	(\$6,269.07)	
01980 - Refund of Prior Year's Expenditures	\$0.00	\$480.15	(\$480.15)	
01990 - Miscellaneous Local Revenue	\$300.00	\$48.38	\$251.62	16.13%
02110 - County Fines & License Fees	\$20,000.00	\$25,452.15	(\$5,452.15)	127.26%
03110 - State Aid	\$1,320,697.00	\$1,320,697.00	\$0.00	100.00%
03120 - Special Education - School Age	\$1,400,000.00	\$1,326,389.00	\$73,611.00	94.74%
03125 - SPED Transportation - School Age	\$2,500.00	\$2,202.00	\$298.00	88.08%
03130 - Homestead Exemption	\$0.00	\$100,644.02	(\$100,644.02)	
03131 - Property Tax Credit	\$0.00	\$3,590,696.19	(\$3,590,696.19)	
03166 - Flex Funding: School Age Support Services	\$0.00	\$98,532.00	(\$98,532.00)	
03180 - Pro-Rate Motor Vehicle	\$20,000.00	\$16,147.54	\$3,852.46	80.74%
03400 - State Apportionment	\$148,750.00	\$190,258.11	(\$41,508.11)	127.90%
03535 - High Ability Learners Payments	\$7,358.00	\$7,848.00	(\$490.00)	106.66%
03551 - Career (CTE) Education	\$7,500.00	\$0.00	\$7,500.00	0.00%
04301 - CLSD Grant	\$0.00	\$16,621.87	(\$16,621.87)	
04417 - IDEA Part B Transition	\$0.00	\$400.00	(\$400.00)	
04418 - IDEA Part B PEaK Projects	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	(\$1,000.00)	
04505 - "ESSA Title I, Part A"	\$109,196.00	\$75,974.00	\$33,222.00	69.58%
04509 - "ESSA Title II, Part A"	\$22,363.00	\$22,363.00	\$0.00	100.00%
04516 - IDEA Preschool Base (619)	\$2,442.00	\$2,442.00	\$0.00	100.00%
04518 - IDEA Part B (611) Base & E-P Allocation	\$178,673.00	\$173,513.00	\$5,160.00	97.11%
04521 - IDEA Non-Public	\$1,111.00	\$1,111.00	\$0.00	100.00%
04525 - Carl Perkins Grant	\$2,000.00	\$635.00	\$1,365.00	31.75%
04708 - Medicaid in Public Schools (MIPS)	\$20,000.00	\$45,579.08	(\$25,579.08)	227.90%
04709 - Medicaid Administrative Activities (MAAPS)	\$17,500.00	\$2,296.66	\$15,203.34	13.12%
04969 - Title IV, Part A SSAE Grant	\$0.00	\$10,000.00	(\$10,000.00)	
05300 - Sale of Property	\$5,000.00	\$5,556.45	(\$556.45)	111.13%
05690 - Other Non-revenue Receipts	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	0.00%
06400 - Extraordinary Items	\$0.00	\$64,503.27	(\$64,503.27)	
Total	\$13,339,362.54	\$12,139,890.06	\$1,199,472.48	91.01%

General Fund Expenditures

Account Description	Adopted Budget	Disbursed	Remaining Balance	Percent Spent
01100 - Regular Instruction	\$6,612,921.85	\$6,272,954.36	\$339,967.49	94.86%
01125 - Academic Intervention (Flex Funding)	\$102,981.59	\$101,392.40	\$1,589.19	98.46%
01200 - School Age SPED	\$1,761,833.00	\$1,572,323.75	\$189,509.25	89.24%
01291 - Preschool Age 3-5	\$11,630.53	\$3,458.27	\$8,172.26	29.73%
01292 - Preschool Age 0-2	\$125.00	\$0.00	\$125.00	0.00%
01300 - Summer School	\$20,942.64	\$16,327.27	\$4,615.37	77.96%
02120 - Guidance Counselor	\$331,913.32	\$317,739.29	\$14,174.03	95.73%
02130 - Health Services	\$95,608.07	\$85,401.81	\$10,206.26	89.32%
02141 - School Psychologist - School Age	\$130,264.42	\$127,126.74	\$3,137.68	97.59%
02151 - Speech Path & Deaf Ed	\$204,381.65	\$192,432.04	\$11,949.61	94.15%
02152 - Speech Path & Deaf Ed	\$1,400.00	\$0.00	\$1,400.00	0.00%
02153 - Speech Path & Deaf Ed	\$500.00	\$0.00	\$500.00	0.00%
02161 - Occupational Therapy	\$42,500.00	\$36,996.75	\$5,503.25	87.05%
02171 - Physical Therapy	\$13,500.00	\$12,210.75	\$1,289.25	90.45%
02172 - Physical Therapy	\$1,500.00	\$1,194.75	\$305.25	79.65%
02173 - Physical Therapy	\$1,250.00	\$2,802.31	(\$1,552.31)	224.18%
02190 - Student Activities	\$206,366.92	\$210,039.68	(\$3,672.76)	101.78%
02212 - Instruction & Curriculum Development	\$0.00	\$125.00	(\$125.00)	
02213 - Instructional Staff Training	\$20,000.00	\$16,140.96	\$3,859.04	80.70%
02220 - Media Center	\$282,687.51	\$266,758.86	\$15,928.65	94.37%
02230 - Technology Support	\$168,661.49	\$162,796.67	\$5,864.82	96.52%
02240 - Assessment Coordinator	\$18,972.75	\$11,189.71	\$7,783.04	58.98%
02310 - Board of Education	\$48,100.00	\$29,888.44	\$18,211.56	62.14%
02320 - Superintendent	\$327,998.17	\$324,309.42	\$3,688.75	98.88%
02330 - District Legal Services	\$30,000.00	\$17,973.70	\$12,026.30	59.91%
02410 - Principal	\$783,796.24	\$702,186.45	\$81,609.79	89.59%
02510 - Business Office	\$223,787.40	\$219,224.34	\$4,563.06	97.96%
02610 - Custodial	\$511,904.80	\$527,875.93	(\$15,971.13)	103.12%
02620 - Building Maintenance	\$975,951.29	\$778,686.76	\$197,264.53	79.79%
02630 - Grounds Maintenance	\$211,011.25	\$147,002.65	\$64,008.60	69.67%
02640 - Equipment Repair & Maintenance	\$29,481.79	\$23,165.82	\$6,315.97	78.58%
02650 - Non-Pupil Vehicle	\$6,500.00	\$4,189.83	\$2,310.17	64.46%
02660 - Security	\$90,500.00	\$120,793.91	(\$30,293.91)	133.47%
02670 - Safety	\$49,150.00	\$24,410.45	\$24,739.55	49.67%
02710 - School Bus Driving	\$255,772.60	\$224,961.99	\$30,810.61	87.95%
02712 - School Age SPED Driving	\$80,266.89	\$49,582.00	\$30,684.89	61.77%
02713 - Below Age 5 SPED Driving	\$12,964.89	\$8,244.25	\$4,720.64	63.59%
02730 - School Bus Driving Vehicle Maintenance	\$136,250.20	\$96,684.87	\$39,565.33	70.96%
02732 - School Age SPED Vehicle Maintenance	\$3,000.00	\$1,300.82	\$1,699.18	43.36%
03400 - Expenditures from Private/Corporate Grants	\$0.00	\$8,260.74	(\$8,260.74)	
03535 - High Ability Learners	\$46,200.69	\$44,056.28	\$2,144.41	95.36%
03551 - Career (CTE) Education	\$7,500.00	\$7,500.00	\$0.00	100.00%
06200 - Title IA	\$141,559.00	\$129,691.20	\$11,867.80	91.62%
06301 - CLSD Grant	\$0.00	\$16,281.87	(\$16,281.87)	
06406 - IDEA Preschool (619) Base Allocation	\$2,442.00	\$2,442.00	\$0.00	100.00%
06408 - IDEA Part B (611)	\$178,673.00	\$178,499.13	\$173.87	99.90%
06412 - IDEA Non-Public	\$1,111.59	\$1,111.00	\$0.59	99.95%
06417 - IDEA Part B Transition	\$0.00	\$399.13	(\$399.13)	
06418 - IDEA Part B PEaK Projects	\$0.00	\$997.56	(\$997.56)	
06700 - Carl Perkins	\$2,000.00	\$635.00	\$1,365.00	31.75%
06990 - Other Federal Grants	\$0.00	\$6,019.00	(\$6,019.00)	
08000 - Transfers (Outgoing)	\$150,000.00	\$200,000.00	(\$50,000.00)	133.33%
09000 - Reimbursed by Other Funds/Entities	\$0.00	\$16.36	(\$16.36)	
Total	\$14,335,862.54	\$13,305,802.27	\$1,030,060.27	92.81%

Bank Statement Reconciliation

Description

Adjustment Date

Adjustment Amount

Minden High School Activities 07/01/2026 through 07/31/2026

Bank Statement Reconciliation Summary

Statement Balance	\$ 250,999.30
- Outstanding checks	\$ 16,322.68
+ Outstanding Deposits	\$ 0.00
+ Outstanding Adjustments	\$ 0.00
- Outstanding Investment Transfers	\$ 0.00
Total	\$ 234,676.62
+ Investments	\$ 37,000.00
Book Balance	\$ 271,676.62

Checks For Payment Listing

Date	Check Number	Payee	Reason	Amount
08/11/2026	EFT	CenturyLink	Telephone Services	\$ 462.84
08/11/2026	EFT	Minden Exchange Bank - EFT	Direct Deposit Fees	\$ 28.30
08/11/2026	EFT	Wright Express Fleet Services	Station Fuel Purchases	\$ 1,104.01
08/11/2026	6983	Ameritas Life Insurance Corp..	Vision Insurance	\$ 1,071.92
08/11/2026	6984	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District Dental Insurance	\$ 173.49
08/11/2026	6984	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District HDHP Health Ins 2PT	\$ 5,938.40
08/11/2026	6984	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District HDHP Health Ins 9 Mo	\$ 2,279.97
08/11/2026	6984	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District HDHP Health Ins FAM	\$ 23,790.36
08/11/2026	6984	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District HDHP Health Ins SNG	\$ 2,894.32
08/11/2026	6984	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District HDHP Health Ins SPD	\$ 1,311.65
08/11/2026	6984	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District Health Ins 2PT	\$ 31,039.20
08/11/2026	6984	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District Health Ins 9 Mo	\$ 11,630.22
08/11/2026	6984	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District Health Ins FAM	\$ 101,400.20
08/11/2026	6984	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District Health Ins SNG	\$ 7,540.38
08/11/2026	6984	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District Health Ins SPD	\$ 3,045.84
08/11/2026	6984	Blue Cross Blue Shield	District Health Ins Split	\$ 1,724.40
08/11/2026	6984	Blue Cross Blue Shield	Feba Bcbs Dental 2PT	\$ 838.08
08/11/2026	6984	Blue Cross Blue Shield	Feba Bcbs Dental FAM	\$ 2,371.03
08/11/2026	6984	Blue Cross Blue Shield	Feba Bcbs Dental SPD	\$ 107.92
08/11/2026	6985	Credit Management Services, Inc.	Kearney County Court CMSI	\$ 488.33
08/11/2026	6986	Fiduciary Trust Company	Flatwater Wealth TSA	\$ 2,000.00
08/11/2026	6987	Horace Mann Life Insurance Company	Horace Mann Life Insurance	\$ 1,475.00
08/11/2026	6988	Madison National Life Insurance Co., Inc.	Feba Life Insurance	\$ 192.50
08/11/2026	6988	Madison National Life Insurance Co., Inc.	Long-Term Disability	\$ 1,882.24
08/11/2026	6988	Madison National Life Insurance Co., Inc.	Term Life Policy	\$ 399.40
08/11/2026	6989	Minden Exchange Bank & Trust Co.	HSA Contribution	\$ 7,785.19
08/11/2026	6990	Minden Public Schools	District Court	\$ 507.00
08/11/2026	6990	Minden Public Schools	F/b Dependent Care	\$ 416.63
08/11/2026	6990	Minden Public Schools	F/b Medical Dental	\$ 3,749.56
08/11/2026	6990	Minden Public Schools	NE Retirement	\$ 83,385.16
08/11/2026	6991	Minden Public Schools.	Computer Lease Purchase	\$ 487.64
08/11/2026	6992	Mps Payroll	Federal Withholding	\$ 43,677.52
08/11/2026	6992	Mps Payroll	FICA	\$ 70,466.90
08/11/2026	6992	Mps Payroll	Medicare	\$ 16,480.12
08/11/2026	6993	Mps Payroll NE Income Tax	State Withholding - NE	\$ 17,389.12
08/11/2026	6994	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	1st Grade Supplies	\$ 14.46
08/11/2026	6994	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	4th Grade Teacher Chair	\$ 113.99
08/11/2026	6994	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	Business Office Keyboard	\$ 26.99
08/11/2026	6994	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	Custodial Supplies	\$ 29.28
08/11/2026	6994	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	HS Gym Bleacher Stairs Paint	\$ 177.06
08/11/2026	6994	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	MS Microscopes	\$ 1,362.24
08/11/2026	6994	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	MS Science Supplies	\$ 719.95
08/11/2026	6994	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	Preschool Supplies	\$ 442.67
08/11/2026	6994	Amazon Capital Services, Inc.	SPED Director Bookcase	\$ 240.00
08/11/2026	6995	Aurora Cooperative	Fuel	\$ 609.45
08/11/2026	6996	Black Hills Energy	Bus Barn Natural Gas	\$ 53.25
08/11/2026	6996	Black Hills Energy	East Natural Gas	\$ 700.84
08/11/2026	6996	Black Hills Energy	MS Activity Building Natural Gas	\$ 483.62
08/11/2026	6996	Black Hills Energy	MS/HS Natural Gas	\$ 2,723.68
08/11/2026	6997	City Of Minden	Utilities	\$ 27,293.26
08/11/2026	6998	Clearly	Telephone Service	\$ 824.49
08/11/2026	6999	Colorado/West Equipment, Inc.	Bus 20P Repair	\$ 111.43

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Date	Check Number	Payee	Reason	Amount
08/11/2026	7000	Committee for Children	Second Step Renewal	\$ 3,199.00
08/11/2026	7001	Computer Hardware, Inc.	Journalism Computers	\$ 5,396.00
08/11/2026	7001	Computer Hardware, Inc.	Projectors	\$ 10,935.00
08/11/2026	7002	Cornerstone Electric	Electrical Work	\$ 2,012.29
08/11/2026	7003	DAS State Accounting - Central Finance	Internet Service	\$ 402.58
08/11/2026	7004	DocuSign, Inc.	DocuSign Renewal	\$ 7,518.42
08/11/2026	7005	Eakes Office Solutions	Copier Paper	\$ 4,986.00
08/11/2026	7005	Eakes Office Solutions	Custodial Supplies	\$ 1,949.79
08/11/2026	7006	Educational Service Unit #11	Educational & Tech Services	\$ 8,631.20
08/11/2026	7006	Educational Service Unit #11	Special Education Services	\$ 5,585.11
08/11/2026	7007	Elan Financial Services	HS Business Class Subscription	\$ 159.00
08/11/2026	7007	Elan Financial Services	HS SPED Software Subscription	\$ 897.99
08/11/2026	7007	Elan Financial Services	Newspaper Subscription	\$ 32.99
08/11/2026	7007	Elan Financial Services	Speech Conference Lodging	\$ 178.00
08/11/2026	7008	ESU Coordinating Council	Public Site License	\$ 1,068.00
08/11/2026	7008	ESU Coordinating Council	World Book On-Line Subscriptions	\$ 461.90
08/11/2026	7009	Fifth Street Printing	School Calendar Printing	\$ 1,602.00
08/11/2026	7010	Flinn Scientific	HS Science Supplies	\$ 145.78
08/11/2026	7011	Freshworks, Inc.	Freshservice Ticketing System	\$ 168.84
08/11/2026	7012	Heinemann	Math Workbooks	\$ 701.45
08/11/2026	7013	Hometown Leasing	Copier & Printer Lease	\$ 3,855.49
08/11/2026	7014	Illinois Supply Company	Naloxone Kits	\$ 459.91
08/11/2026	7015	Island Sprinkler Supply	Sprinkler Supplies	\$ 174.68
08/11/2026	7016	Jura, Michelle L	Interpreter Mileage	\$ 133.40
08/11/2026	7017	Kajeet, Inc.	Bus Internet	\$ 2,774.64
08/11/2026	7018	Kearney County Health Services	Bus Driver Drug Testing	\$ 35.00
08/11/2026	7019	Landmark Implement Carquest	Handicap Van Repair	\$ 364.40
08/11/2026	7020	Mackin Book Company	MS Library Books	\$ 651.36
08/11/2026	7021	Medtox Laboratories	Bus Driver Drug Testing	\$ 40.93
08/11/2026	7022	Mid-States Automation & Control, Inc.	HS HVAC Repair	\$ 1,735.50
08/11/2026	7022	Mid-States Automation & Control, Inc.	MS HVAC Repair	\$ 500.00
08/11/2026	7023	Minden Courier	Board Legal Postings	\$ 68.06
08/11/2026	7023	Minden Courier	CLJ Media Center Subscription	\$ 45.00
08/11/2026	7023	Minden Courier	East Elementary Subscription	\$ 45.00
08/11/2026	7023	Minden Courier	HS Media Center Subscription	\$ 45.00
08/11/2026	7023	Minden Courier	HS Office Subscription	\$ 65.00
08/11/2026	7024	Minden Hardware	Repairs & Supplies	\$ 289.26
08/11/2026	7025	Mosyle Corporation	Apple Devices Management Software	\$ 5.50
08/11/2026	7026	Napa Auto Parts	Air Compressor Couplers	\$ 35.48
08/11/2026	7026	Napa Auto Parts	Air Compressor Repair	\$ 1.49
08/11/2026	7026	Napa Auto Parts	Bus 20P Repair	\$ 6.99
08/11/2026	7026	Napa Auto Parts	Bus 22P Repair	\$ 12.99
08/11/2026	7026	Napa Auto Parts	Bus Gear Oil	\$ 13.99
08/11/2026	7026	Napa Auto Parts	Lawnmower Oil	\$ 9.49
08/11/2026	7026	Napa Auto Parts	Route Buses Air Filters	\$ 102.84
08/11/2026	7026	Napa Auto Parts	Transportation Maintenance Supplies	\$ 30.47
08/11/2026	7027	National Art & School Supplies, Inc.	COOP Order	\$ 307.42
08/11/2026	7028	NE Rural Community Schools Association	26-27 NRCSA Membership	\$ 850.00
08/11/2026	7029	Nebraska Timber Products, LLC	Elementary Playground Wood Chips	\$ 2,000.00
08/11/2026	7030	Omnify Benefits	COBRA and FSA Fees	\$ 140.80
08/11/2026	7031	One Source	Background Checks	\$ 39.00
08/11/2026	7032	Perry, Guthery, Haase & Gessford, P.C., L.L.O	Legal Services	\$ 338.00

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Date	Check Number	Payee	Reason	Amount
08/11/2026	7033	Presto-X Company	Pest Control Services	\$ 221.70
08/11/2026	7034	Protex Central, Inc.	MS/HS Fire Alarm Repair	\$ 1,024.93
08/11/2026	7035	REK Enterprises,	Concrete Buggy Rental	\$ 180.00
08/11/2026	7035	REK Enterprises,	Mower Blades	\$ 52.77
08/11/2026	7036	Richard Widdifield	Bus 22P Repair	\$ 375.00
08/11/2026	7036	Richard Widdifield	HCV Repair	\$ 375.00
08/11/2026	7037	Schneider, Alyssa L	Speech Conference Reimbursement	\$ 130.54
08/11/2026	7038	Teaching Strategies, LLC	Preschool Assessment Portfolios	\$ 566.00
08/11/2026	7039	Verizon	Transportation Tracking Subscription	\$ 173.85
08/11/2026	7040	Verizon Wireless	Wireless Hotspot Data Plan	\$ 160.04
08/11/2026	7041	Village Uniform	HS Mat & Mop Service	\$ 473.85
08/11/2026	7041	Village Uniform	MS Mat & Mop Service	\$ 368.95
08/11/2026	7042	Widdifield, James T	July Reimbursement	\$ 121.20
08/11/2026	7043	Woodward's Disposal Service, Inc.	Shredding Service	\$ 92.50
08/11/2026	7044	WorkMed Midwest PA	Bus Driver Drug Testing	\$ 40.00
08/11/2026	7045	Yanda's Music	HS Gym Audio Repair	\$ 1,970.00
08/11/2026	7046	Ziembra Roofing Company	HS Roof Repair	\$ 310.00
Subtotal				\$ 563,306.26
Net Payroll - August 2026				\$ 415,137.28
Total General Fund Disbursements - August 2026				\$ 978,443.54

Secretary Kevin Raun

Lunch Fund Checks and Liabilities

Check Number	Date	Payee	Reason	Amount
6175	7/17/2026	Wordware, Inc.	Lunch Room Software	\$3,792.19
6176	7/17/2026	Innovative Office Solutions	Lunch Room Supplies	\$181.17
6176	7/17/2026	Innovative Office Solutions	Sandwich Bags	\$78.88
6176	7/17/2026	Innovative Office Solutions	Vinyl Gloves - Large	\$158.52
6176	7/17/2026	Innovative Office Solutions	Vinyl Gloves - Medium	\$112.50
6177	7/17/2026	Egan Supply Co.	Zipper Freezer Bags - 2 Gallon	\$39.40
6178	7/17/2026	Jeff Steele	Lunch Rooms Duct Cleaning	\$2,985.00
639	8/11/2026	Ameritas Life Insurance Corp..	EE Vision Insurance Premiums	\$8.96
640	8/11/2026	Blue Cross Blue Shield	Health & Dental Insurance Premiums	\$4,160.74
641	8/11/2026	Madison National Life Insurance Co., Inc.	EE Life Insurance Premiums	\$20.55
641	8/11/2026	Madison National Life Insurance Co., Inc.	Long Term Disability	\$11.58
642	8/11/2026	Minden Public Schools	EE & ER Retirement Contributions	\$772.25
643	8/11/2026	Mps Payroll	EE & ER FICA, Medicare, & Federal Income Tax	\$1,096.79
644	8/11/2026	Mps Payroll NE Income Tax	EE Nebraska Income Tax Withholding	\$124.60
Subtotal				\$ 13,543.13
Net Payroll - August 2026				\$ 4,287.64
Total Lunch Fund Disbursements				\$ 17,830.77

Building Fund Liabilities

Check Number	Date	Payee	Reason	Amount
665	8/11/2026	BD Construction, Inc./Kearney	Pre-Bond Construction Estimating	\$ 625.00
665	8/11/2026	BD Construction, Inc./Kearney	Pre-Bond Marketing	\$ 10,937.50
665	8/11/2026	BD Construction, Inc./Kearney	Pre-Bond Project Executive	\$ 10,800.00
665	8/11/2026	BD Construction, Inc./Kearney	Contractual Overage	\$ (62.50)
665	8/11/2026	BD Construction, Inc./Kearney	Pre-Construction Estimating	\$ 13,625.00
665	8/11/2026	BD Construction, Inc./Kearney	Pre-Construction Project Engineer	\$ 8,500.00
665	8/11/2026	BD Construction, Inc./Kearney	Contractual Overage	\$ (125.00)
666	8/11/2026	Black Hills Energy	MS Gas Service Relocation	\$ 11,554.52
667	8/11/2026	CMBA Architects	New Elementary Project Architectural Services - 63.61% Complete	\$ 198,838.00
667	8/11/2026	CMBA Architects	New Elementary Project Architectural Services Travel	\$ 357.63
668	8/11/2026	Mid-State Engineering & Testing, Inc.	Geotechnical Investigation	\$ 6,326.00
Total Building Fund Disbursements - August 2026				\$ 261,376.15

Internal Board Policies - OrganizationStanding Committees

It shall be the policy of Minden Public Schools that the following will be the standing committees of the Board of Education:

1. Negotiations Committee
2. Committee on American Civics
3. Transportation/Facilities
4. Finance Committee
5. Policy Committee
6. Legislation Committee

It shall further be the policy of Minden Public Schools that the Superintendent shall appoint the members of the above committees.

Legal Reference: Neb. Rev. Stat. Sec. 79-724
Neb. Rev. Stat. Sec. 79-520

Date of Adoption: July 8, 2019
Date Reaffirmed: March 8, 2021

Minden Public Schools

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August 2026 Report to the Board of Education Mr. Nathan Strasburg, Administrator

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

Fun Run-

The CLJMS Student Council is planning to host a color run/walk to kick off the new school year. The race will be on Monday, August 10th starting at 7:00pm. There is no entry fee, but free will donations will be accepted at the time of the event. All donations will go towards the CL Jones Student Council to help with future activities for our students. This will be a great way to help jumpstart the new year!

MS Drop Off and Pick Up-

Middle school drop off and pick up will look different than in years past. We now have a dedicated lane on the north side of 3rd Street that will allow buses and parents to safely drop off students and pick them up. This change also means that students will use the front door to enter and exit the school each day. Whereas before, many students would use the east exit. I am excited to have everyone entering/exiting at one point.

Drop off and pick up may be altered for the first few days of school since 3rd Street is closed near the building. If this is the case, then we will have an alternative plan for students to enter and exit the building.

Summer Cleaning and Maintenance-

Thank you to our MPS maintenance and custodial crews for their hard work this summer. The building looks great and will be ready to welcome students on the first day of school!

Admin Days-

The Nebraska Council of School Administrators held their annual Administrator Days in Kearney from July 29th-31st. The opening keynote speaker was Jimmy Casas who shared an inspirational message to get the conference underway. After that, everyone had the chance to attend sessions based on topics that were of interest to them. It was a great few days to learn and network with colleagues from around the state.

C.L. Jones Middle School Open House-

The middle school open house will be Monday, August 10th from 5:30-6:30PM. Students and families are encouraged to visit the building, meet with the teachers, and tour the building. We hope to have a great turnout!

New Staff Orientation-

New middle school staff members, Hannah Merrill and Melissa Myers participated in new staff orientation with other new teachers across the district as well as the administration. This was a great opportunity to get to know everyone and their backgrounds. We also got to understand more about how the district operates.

Student/ Parent Information for 2026-2027 School Year:

- School begins August 12, 2026, at 8:00 AM with a 3:30 PM dismissal
- Friday, August 14, 2025, will follow a regular Friday schedule with an 8:00 AM start and 2:10 PM dismissal for middle school students
- Student drop-off begins at 7:30 AM- Students should report directly to the gymnasium upon arrival each morning
- Breakfast will be offered to the students as they enter the building in the morning. Students will grab their food and eat in the gym before their first class.
- Store-bought birthday treats may be sent to school, if you choose. Please do not send treats to school that contain nuts
- Please notify the office before 8:30 AM if your student is going to be absent (308.832.2338)
- Information will be shared on our website, <https://www.mindenwhippets.org/o/cl-jones-middle>
- Powerschool is an online database our school uses to organize and manage student information. Each student and parent has their own PowerSchool login and password. If you need help accessing Powerschool, please email tiffiny.widdifield@mindenwhippets.org. If you do not have a Powerschool username and password and need to create one, please see the instructions below.

Create a Parent Single Sign-On Account

PowerSchool now requires parents/guardians to set up their own accounts. Parents/Guardians must create a Single Sign-on Account (SSO), which allows them to choose one username and password combination to access information for ALL children in their family.

In order to set up a Parent Single Sign-on Account go to the Minden school website: www.mindenwhippets.org

From the Schools drop down at the top choose your students school.

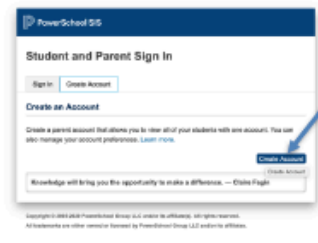


Once in the correct school choose the menu dropdown and find PowerSchool Parent/Student from quick links.



On the Power School screen you will see the option to create a new account: Click "Create Account" -Twice

*****IMPORTANT NOTE***** Before starting Step 2, decide on a Username and Password and write them down in a safe place. User Name and Password that you choose cannot contain any punctuation marks or spaces.



Fill in all your information : See IMPORTANT NOTE ABOVE

Enter additional information for your children –

If you do not have your Access_ID and Access_Password, please contact Mrs. Jensen(chelsey.jensen@mindenwhippets.org) or Mrs. Widdifield (tiffany.widdifield@mindenwhippets.org)

This Access ID is the Parent's Access ID and Password NOT the Students

ENTER when you have finished entering all information. You will have to go to your email and verify your email account.

Then you will be able to log in using the Username and Password that you chose when setting up your account. This is the area you will log into on all future visits to PowerSchool.

Chelsey Jacobitz

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August 2026
Report to the Board of Education
Mrs. Chelsey Jacobitz, Administrator

As I begin my first few weeks serving as the Special Education Director and Middle School Assistant Principal, I would like to express my appreciation for the warm welcome I have received from the Minden Public Schools community. The transition has gone very well, and I am excited to be part of a district with such a strong commitment to students and staff.

During these initial weeks, my primary focus has been on building relationships, learning district systems and procedures, and preparing for a successful start to the school year. I have met individually with many of our special education staff members to introduce myself, learn about their roles, discuss preparations for the upcoming year, and hear their perspectives on the strengths of our programs as well as opportunities for continued growth. These conversations have been invaluable in helping me better understand the needs of our students and staff.

I have also been spending time becoming familiar with the systems, processes, and procedures that are new to me at Minden Public Schools. I was able to attend Admin Days in Kearney and attend valuable sessions on a variety of topics related to special education that have already been valuable to a few situations that have arisen so far this school year.

As part of our new staff days, we will be providing paraprofessional training focused on preparing our paraprofessionals for a successful school year. This training will emphasize best practices, clarify expectations, and reinforce the important role paraprofessionals play in supporting student success.

One of my priorities in this position is working collaboratively with both general education and special education staff to celebrate the many positive practices already taking place throughout the district while also identifying areas where we can continue to strengthen our support systems for students. My goal is to foster a collaborative culture that ensures all students receive high-quality instruction and services while also supporting staff in their important work. I created a survey that was available to all staff to complete anonymously that helped me gain some insight into special education perspectives on what is going well and what could possibly be identified as room for improvement.

I am grateful for the opportunity to serve Minden Public Schools and look forward to the year ahead. Thank you for your continued support as we work together to provide exceptional educational opportunities for all students.



Minden Public School Board of Education Report August 2026



Sandy Pohl, East Elementary and Minden Public Preschool Principal

On August 4th and 5th, we welcomed incoming kindergarten students to our optional Kindergarten Jumpstart program. This special experience gave our newest learners a chance to practice

entering the building, get familiar with classroom routines, and meet the caring staff who will support them throughout the school year. Over fifty of our future students participated in this wonderful opportunity to ease the transition into kindergarten and build confidence before the official first day of school. Mrs. Miller, Mrs. Woldt,

to make this students with the help including Mrs. Rowley, and Mrs. Czieminolowski, and Mrs. Klabunde. We currently have fifty-eight students enrolled in kindergarten.



and Mrs. Boudreau led the way experience happen for

East Elementary is excited to continue our partnership with the University of Nebraska at Kearney this school year. East Elementary will welcome one student teacher who will be working alongside Mrs. Maulsby in first grade.

We're looking forward to welcoming students and families to East Elementary for our Open House on August 10th from 5:00–6:30 PM. This is a great opportunity for students to tour the school, visit their new classroom, and meet their teacher before the first day of school. Teachers have been working to get their classrooms ready for students. When complimented on her classroom preparation, one teacher shared, “getting my classroom ready is a labor of love and I sure love it”.

Quotes from Teachers Shared August 2026:

“What I love about East is the family that is there! We work together to give each student the very best, and in turn have awesome students because of it!”-Kerri Harsin

“I love East Elementary because it truly feels like a welcoming and supportive family. The staff are caring, encouraging, and genuinely invested in one another, not only as professionals, but as people. I’m especially grateful for our principal who is always supportive, available, and willing to go above and beyond for both staff and students. Our students are welcomed each day, loved, cared for, and surrounded by people who want to see them succeed. I feel very fortunate to be part of the East Elementary family!”-Alyssa Schneider



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Minden High School

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JULY 2026 BOARD MEETING

HIGH SCHOOL ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL/ACTIVITIES DIRECTOR REPORT

How can we be past July 4th already?? The summer has gone very quickly but has also been very smooth. I have moved back into my new office for the 2026-2027 school year. My past office in the middle school will be home to Chelsea Jacobitz this next school year and she has started moving in as she prepares for the upcoming school year!

It's been busy so far this summer with many moving pieces around the high school with camps, weight training, skill work, all star games, etc. I sometimes feel bad for the custodians trying to clean and freshen up our building when there are over 100 student athletes in the building each day during the week. The high school and middle school are looking good so far. There is still work being done in the middle school on the 8th grade wing specifically, hopefully they can get finished soon so the custodians can get it cleaned up and ready for students in August.

The weight room has been extremely busy with high school girls working out from 6-7:15 am, high school boys workout from 7:15-8:30, and our middle school girls/boys workout from 8:30-9:30 on MWF. Our student athletes are motivated and dedicated to be their best in the athletics they pursue. With each group of student athletes working out in the weight room/gym there are 2-4 coaches guiding and coaching them with their workouts. I am thankful for and proud of the coaches we have at the high school and middle school. I hear of many schools struggling to find coaches both at the middle and high school levels. Overall we have been able to fill all of our extra-duty positions in a timely manner with quality staff and people who care about their sport/activity and want to make a difference for their students/athletes.

This summer I have spent time working on sport schedules, lining up officials for contests, planning/preparing our facilities for practices/contests, going through storage, getting rid of unused items, communicating with coaches in preparation for their upcoming seasons, and ordering equipment. During one of the storms our sound system in the high school was damaged due to lightning. Yandas were able to fix our system as well as do their yearly check up on our sound systems in the high school, middle school gym, and track/football field.

I am starting to get more supplies that have been delivered for the upcoming school year. We received the new high school football uniforms this week and they look fantastic. The last set of uniforms lasted 7 years, that's pretty good with the physical nature of the sport. Most sports are on a 4-5 year rotation for uniforms.

August 6th we will be hosting Darin Boysen, Executive Director of the Nebraska Coaches Association. Darin will give a "Proactive NCA-Proactive Coaching presentation – *The Role of Parents in Education Based Athletics* at Minden on Thursday, August 6 at 6:00 PM. This is a great opportunity for our community!

These groups will be invited to attend:

- Student-Athletes
- Grandparents/Extended Family
- Coaches
- Community Youth Sport leaders/coaches

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**AUGUST 2026 BOARD MEETING
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The month of July was very fast and a good month for me to get my feet back on the ground in this position. I'm thankful to have Mr. Strong in the same general space and having his past experiences from this position so close for me to lean on when needed. There are so many moving pieces and people who all need something from the AD throughout the school year and especially this time of year in scheduling and ordering what is needed for the year.

Nine of our coaches and I attended at least one or two days of the Nebraska Coaches Association Clinic on July 21st-22nd at Lincoln North Star High School. The NCA has been hosting sports clinics since before I started teaching/coaching in 1989. The NCA brings in coaches from Nebraska as well as anywhere across the country to speak to coaches giving them insight into their craft helping them add something that may make their program better and a better experience for their student athletes. I attended a couple sessions learning more about how to use our new scheduling system, Bound. I'm thankful these coaches gave up their time for these days to learn and grow as a coach.

I met with Susan Tunnell as she will be our concession coordinator for the upcoming school year. Susan brings a lot of experience from running concessions, she is very smart, and she is very detail oriented with whatever I have seen her do. Mr. Strong picked up three new microwaves for our concessions and I ordered two upright freezers that we will use to keep enough protein on hand for the events we serve meals. Susan will be the coordinator for all concessions we host. She will plan to have all food prepared and the concession ready to go for our groups that are running them.

I have had communication with Mariah Pavilek (Family Physical Therapy) and Ross Oberg (KCHS) regarding our set up and expectations for their coverage this school year. We are fortunate to have both of these businesses in town and for their willingness to help take care of our student athletes. They have truly made a big difference in keeping them healthy or getting them back on the court/field participating.

I am thankful to Nick Luna for his willingness to help with whatever is needed. Nick always offers to help, does it with a smile, and does it well. Nick is the point of contact for the bus barn and transportation. Our vehicles and buses are well taken care of by Nick. Nick also helps keep the softball field at Augie Park in good shape and preps it for game days.

A good chunk of time has been spent updating our coach/sponsor's safety training course requirements. Our coaches/sponsors are required to take three courses (concussion/heat illness/cardiac arrest) every three years, CPR training every two years, and van driving course every year. If they are also a teacher they are required to take 9 other courses through our Vector training module. These training sessions take a ton of time and most of that time is outside of school during the summer. It's eye boggling how many courses teachers are required to take that 15 or so years ago didn't exist.

I'm excited for another school year and seeing our student athletes come back into the building and bring life to the school!

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Minden High School

August 2026

Board of Education Report



Summer Recap:

The summer has been a busy time for many of our coaches and activity participants in particular. Many of our programs have attended various camps, clinics, and competitions over the summer break. We also had another summer where the turn out in the weight room was solid. All of these extra activities help to ensure that our kids are well prepared for another activity season.

Many of our teachers also use the summer time to take continuing education classes that help them advance and grow in their craft. Through professional development, our teachers gain knowledge and can refine their skills in the classroom. Whether it be through taking in person classes, online sessions, or attending conferences, our staff is taking steps to ensure we will have another successful school year!

NCSA Administrator Days:

I had the opportunity to attend the Nebraska Council of School Administrators 2026 Administrator Days in Kearney on Thursday, July 30th and Friday, July 31st. This was a great way to participate in some high quality learning sessions and network with other administrators from around the state. The keynote speakers were inspiring in nature and many of the sessions were informative. I was able to pick up some strategies and new ideas that I hope to implement throughout the upcoming school year. I left Administrator Days feeling inspired and ready to tackle the challenges of the new school year.

Custodial/Grounds Acknowledgement:

I would like to thank our custodial team as well as our grounds and maintenance staff for their hard work and preparation throughout the summer. Cray Stubbs, Tara Johnson, and Derra Davis have been busy cleaning and reconditioning the high school classrooms and commons areas. Nick Luna, Chad Schmidt, Dave Schoone, and Travis Dassinger should also be commended for their work on the school grounds and various facility repair projects. The work of our custodial and grounds staff helps to create a welcoming environment for us to welcome back our staff and students!

Superintendent Report

Meeting: August Board Meeting

Date: 8/10/26

Dr. Widdifield

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Topics:

New Teacher Days: We had a great two days with new teachers on Wednesday and Thursday of last week. We discussed the changes coming with the elementary, One Minden culture, and expectations for the year and beyond. We have another great group of teachers, and they will do a great job for our students.

Lunch Program: We will be serving free breakfast to all K-12 students, and students with a reduced price will not be charged for lunch. We are asking parents to complete the lunch application if applicable. There are additional opportunities for families who qualify for free or reduced-price lunch.

Early Bid Work/Greenhouse: The water project is complete. Uden Plumbing and other contractors have done an outstanding job this summer. We will still have a few people around the building, but all classrooms are ready to go. BD will coordinate a final punch list for the early bid work. We are still working on the greenhouse. Integrity is working on the structure. I am hoping it is completed before Labor Day break.

Teacher In-Service: First day of all staff in-service was today. I am excited about the year and cannot wait to get the school year started. Thank you to the Board members who could make it to breakfast, and thank you to Dr. Craig for going over some of the medical training our staff is required to have.

Thank You: I want to Thank the custodian and maintenance crew for getting the buildings ready. The administration for preparing for our staff in-service days. And the staff for being in the buildings early and often to be ready for kids. We have a great Team, and I am looking forward to another great year.

Bylaws of the Board - Bylaws, Policies and RegulationsFormulation, Adoption, Amendment of Policies

Policy proposals and suggested amendments to or revisions of existing policies shall normally be submitted to all members of the Board of Education by the Superintendent in writing prior to a regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting in which such proposed policies, amendments, or revisions thereof shall be read and discussed.

Policies will be adopted or amended after consideration at two (2) meetings of the Board of Education. The agenda and minutes shall be marked to indicate policy matters.

The formal adoption of policies shall be by majority vote of all members of the Board of Education and the actions shall be recorded in the minutes of the Board of Education. Only those written statements so adopted and so recorded shall be regarded as official policy.

Policies shall be reviewed at least every two (2) years or at such other periodic time periods as may be required by law.

Reference: Robert's Rules of Order

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