

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
OF STERLING PUBLIC SCHOOLS, DISTRICT #33
Friday, August 28, 2026

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of Sterling Public Schools was convened in open and public session on Friday, August 28, 2026, Sterling Public Schools Library. The roll was called and the following Board members were present or absent:

Present: Mark Horstman, Julie Saathoff, McKenzie Saathoff, Rick Vollman, Lauren Weyers,
Absent: Russ Trauernicht.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by posting in accordance with the Board approved method for giving notice of meetings. Notice of this meeting was given in advance to all members of the Board of Education. The agenda was posted in accordance to board policy. All proceedings of the Board of Education, except as may be hereinafter noted, were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

A. Call Meeting to Order

I make a motion to excuse Russ Trauernicht. Passed with a motion by Rick Vollman and a second by Julie Saathoff.

Mark Horstman: Yea

Julie Saathoff: Yea

McKenzie Saathoff: Yea

Rick Vollman: Yea

Lauren Weyers: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

Called to order at 6:17pm.

B. Recognize Nebraska Open Meetings Law

C. Publication of Meeting

D. Roll Call

E. Public Comment

F. Action Items

F.1. Budget amendment

I make the motion to amend the budget as presented. Passed with a motion by Rick Vollman and a second by Lauren Weyers.

Mark Horstman: Yea

Julie Saathoff: Yea

McKenzie Saathoff: Yea

Rick Vollman: Yea
Lauren Weyers: Yea
Yea: 5, Nay: 0

G. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 6:22pm.

The meeting was duly adjourned.
DATED: Friday, August 28, 2026

JOHNSON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #33,
a/k/a STERLING PUBLIC SCHOOLS

ATTEST:

Secretary

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING TO AMEND BUDGET

Sterling Public Schools (490033) in Johnson County, Nebraska

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given, in compliance with the provisions of State Statute Sections 13-501 to 13-513, that the governing body will meet on August 28, 2026 at 6:00pm in the Sterling Public Schools Library for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to amending the budget that was originally adopted on September 3, 2025. The Activity Fund is being increased by \$40,000 due to higher than anticipated activity expenses. If not amended, the Activity Fund will exceed the total budgeted disbursements and transfers. There is no change to the district's tax asking. The budget detail is available at the office of the Superintendent during regular business hours. For more information on statewide receipts and expenditures, and to compare cost per pupil and performance to other school districts, go to: <https://nep.education.ne.gov>

PROPOSED AMENDED BUDGET

FUNDS	Actual Disbursements & Transfers	Actual/Estimated Disbursements & Transfers	Budgeted Disbursements & Transfers	Necessary Cash Reserve (4)	Total Available Resources Before Property Taxes (5)	Total Personal and Real Property Tax Requirement (7)
	2023-2024 (1)	2024-2025 (2)	2025-2026 (3)			
General	\$ 3,829,367.00	\$ 4,024,421.00	\$ 5,983,261.00	\$ 500,000.00	\$ 3,326,958.00	\$ 3,188,185.00
Depreciation	\$ 114,165.00	\$ 233,612.00	\$ 241,094.00		\$ 241,094.00	
Employee Benefit	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	
Contingency	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	
Activities	\$ 136,659.00	\$ 147,723.00	\$ 163,428.00		\$ 163,428.00	
School Nutrition	\$ 149,655.00	\$ 186,202.00	\$ 276,650.00		\$ 276,650.00	
Bond	\$ 169,575.00	\$ 170,755.00	\$ 207,066.00		\$ 205,066.00	\$ 2,020.00
Special Building	\$ 28,807.00	\$ -	\$ 833,666.00		\$ 833,666.00	\$ -
Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking	\$ 73,183.00	\$ 72,000.00	\$ 146,252.00		\$ 100,252.00	\$ 46,465.00
Cooperative	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	
Student Fee	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 23,555.00		\$ 23,555.00	
TOTALS	\$ 4,501,411.00	\$ 4,834,713.00	\$ 7,874,972.00	\$ 500,000.00	\$ 5,170,669.00	\$ 3,236,670.00

	Bond Purposes	Non-Bond Purposes	Total
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