Board of Education Work Session

Board Room, Central Services Building
765 Main St
Springfield, NE 68059

Monday, August 24, 2026 7:00 PM

I. Policy Committee

The Policy committee started at 6:31 p.m. Brett Kreifels, Michael Patera and Lee Smith were present.

I.A. 3-year policy review

The committee reviewed policies as part of a 3-year review cycle. The committee adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

II. Meeting Roll Call

A meeting of the Board of Education of Springfield Platteview Community Schools in the County of Sarpy, in the State of Nebraska, was convened in open and public session at 7:01 p.m., Monday, August 24, 2026, at the SPCS Administration Building. Present: Kyle Fisher, Brenda Guenther, Brett Kreifels, Brian Osborn, Michael Patera, Lee Smith. Absent: none.

III. Notice of Open Meetings Act - Posted

Notice of the meeting and committee meetings were given in advance thereof that included publication in the Sarpy County Times, on the district website and in five public places. Notice of this meeting was simultaneously given to all members of the Board of Education, and the agenda was communicated in the advance notice to the Board of Education of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public. Statute 84-1407 to 84-1414 require that the Open Meetings Act be posted in the meeting room. President Smith informed the board and the public that the Act is located on the west wall of the board room.

IV. Consent Agenda

Action to approve the Consent Agenda as presented passed with a motion by Kyle Fisher and a second by Brian Osborn.
Kyle Fisher: Yea, Brenda Guenther: Yea, Brett Kreifels: Yea, Brian Osborn: Yea, Michael Patera: Yea, Lee Smith: Yea

IV.A. Bills for Approval

V. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

VI. Items for Discussion (Discussion Only)

VI.A. Bond Project and New Elementary Planning Update

Superintendent Dr. Saunders updated the Board on the bond projects and future planning for the new elementary building.

VI.B. 2025-26 Budget Summary and 2026-27 Budget Preview

Dr. Saunders updated the Board on the budget and the approval timeline for the 2026-2027 school year.

VI.C. Trailblazer Conference Admissions Proposal bylaw change

The Board discussed the proposed bylaw changes to the Trailblazer Conference admission prices for athletic events.

VI.D. Co-Op Update on Boys & Girls Swimming/Dive and Girls Soccer

The Board discussed the updates to the Swimming/Dive and Soccer Co-op for 2026.

VI.E. JAG Program Update

Dr. Saunders updated the Board on the JAG program.

VII. Action Items

VII.A. Transfer of funds from the General Fund to the Depreciation Fund.

Action to approve the transfer of $250,000 from the General Fund to the Depreciation Fund passed with a motion by Brian Osborn and a second by Michael Patera.
Kyle Fisher: Yea, Brenda Guenther: Yea, Brett Kreifels: Yea, Brian Osborn: Yea, Michael Patera: Yea, Lee Smith: Yea

VII.B. Transfer of funds from the General Fund to the Activity Account.

Action to approve the transfer of $100,000 from the General Fund to the Activity Fund passed with a motion by Brian Osborn and a second by Michael Patera.
Kyle Fisher: Yea, Brenda Guenther: Yea, Brett Kreifels: Yea, Brian Osborn: Yea, Michael Patera: Yea, Lee Smith: Yea

VII.C. Transfer of funds from General Fund to Employee Benefit Fund.

Action to approve the transfer of $100,000 from the General Fund to the Employee Benefit Fund passed with a motion by Brian Osborn and a second by Michael Patera.
Kyle Fisher: Yea, Brenda Guenther: Yea, Brett Kreifels: Yea, Brian Osborn: Yea, Michael Patera: Yea, Lee Smith: Yea

VII.D. Transfer of funds from the General Fund to the School Lunch Fund.

Transfer $50,000 from the General Fund to the School Lunch Fund passed with a motion by Brian Osborn and a second by Michael Patera.
Kyle Fisher: Yea, Brenda Guenther: Yea, Brett Kreifels: Yea, Brian Osborn: Yea, Michael Patera: Yea, Lee Smith: Yea

VII.E. Consider and Discuss the Purchase of a School Vehicle

Action to approve the purchase of a new school vehicle for $68,847 from Copple Chevrolet as presented passed with a motion by Brian Osborn and a second by Michael Patera.
Kyle Fisher: Yea, Brenda Guenther: Yea, Brett Kreifels: Yea, Brian Osborn: Yea, Michael Patera: Yea, Lee Smith: Yea

VIII. Future Planning

Board members reviewed their upcoming schedule of meetings, trainings, and conventions. Significant school calendar items were also discussed.

IX. Adjourn

Action to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 p.m. passed with a motion by Michael Patera and a second by Brian Osborn.
Kyle Fisher: Yea, Brenda Guenther: Yea, Brett Kreifels: Yea, Brian Osborn: Yea, Michael Patera: Yea, Lee Smith: Yea