

Special Meeting to share district financial data and receive stakeholder input on budget planning and to accept a board member resignation

Wednesday, September 2, 2026 8:00 PM
Central

School Gymnasium
101 N Needham
Callaway, NE 68825-0188

T.R. Anderson: Present

Rebecca Eggleston: Present

Liana Hrupek: Absent

Rhonda Pandorf: Present

James Phelps: Present

Michael Reiff: Present

Present: 5, Absent: 1.

1. Roll Call | Call To Order | Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m.

5 Board Members Present

2. Comment from Board President about public participation and procedures for the meeting
Mr. James Phelps addressed the body with instructions on how public comment would be handled for tonight's meeting and thanked everyone for their participation in the democratic process.

3. Resignation of School Board Member Mrs. Liana Hrupek

Motion by Michael Reiff, seconded by Rhonda Pandorf Move to accept the resignation of Mrs. Lianna Hrupek from the School Board, with regret and appreciation for her service. Motion Carried.

Liana Hrupek: Absent, T.R. Anderson: Yea, Rebecca Eggleston: Yea, Rhonda Pandorf: Yea, James Phelps: Yea, Michael Reiff: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Mr. James Phelps read the letter of resignation from Mrs. Liana Hrupek

4. District Financial Data Presentation

Mr. Furrow presented on school finance. He informed the body of the process of budgeting, gave a brief history of our schools financial condition and presented the options under consideration for tonight's meeting.

5. Public Comment to the Board of Education | Stakeholder input on budget planning

Board President explained tax revenue, as well as changing the historical look at tax revenue from September to November. Mr. Furrow explains the timing of the tax revenue.

Public Comments:

Mrs. Kay Myers - Expressed her family history with this school district and requests we spend the money wisely.

Terry and Jean Adams - Passed public comment

Marion Chesley - Passed public comment

Bill & Judy Reiff - Thanked the board, Administration and Teachers

Anna Johnson - Would like the board to think about the impact the Budget will make on the Teachers and Staff and requests a plan to support them

Randy Kimball - Made statement that prior superintendent from years past was the elementary principal. He also questioned who would be pulling the weeds near the teachers parking.

Duane Kimball - Referenced tax credits, Building Fund and wage increases.

Kade Owens - Passed public comment

David Pandorf - Passed public comment

Jon Brohman - Expressed his overview of his taxes, and to look at how to spend tax payer money better.

6. Board Breakout Session for Public Input

Break out session 9:03pm - 9:42 pm

Mr. Phelps & Mr Reiff met with community members in the Cafeteria | Mrs. Eggleston & Mr.

Furrow met with community members in the FCS Room | Mr. Anderson & Mrs. Pandorf met with community members in the Library

7. Board Discussion on 2026-2027 Budget

The Board President requested any additional comments after the break-out session, with nothing new added from the community members present.

The board members each discussed the conversations from the break out session and gave their opinions about the best option for the 2026-2027 budget.

Informal straw pull was held for patrons in attendance. After further discussion, Mr. Furrow was instructed to proceed with Option 2 (4.72% Revenue Increase).

Meeting Adjourned at 10:02 pm