

Budget Hearing / Regular Meeting
Monday, September 21, 2026 7:45 PM Central

Library - CALLAWAY PUBLIC SCHOOL
101 N Needham
Callaway, NE 68825-0188

1. Budget Hearing

1.1. Call to Order

Special Board Budget Hearing Called to Order at 7:45 p.m.

1.2. Public Comment

A number of patrons were present at the budget hearing to share both concerns over the school's budget for the upcoming year and to express support and appreciation for the school board. 7 patrons in total had questions and comments for the board.

1.3. Board Discussion

The board of education reviewed the budget that was published in the Callaway Courier.

1.4. Adjourn Hearing

Hearing Adjourned 8:54 p.m.

2. Roll Call / Call To Order / Pledge of Alligiance

Meeting Called to order at 8:55 p.m.

All board members were in attendance.

3. Excuse Absent Board Members

4. Consent Agenda

a. Approve the agenda for tonight's meeting

b. Approve the general and activity financial reports/claims

c. Approve the minutes of the August 17th regular meeting

d. Approve the minutes of the September 2nd special meeting

Motion by Rebecca Eggleston, seconded by Michael Reiff Motion to approve Consent Agenda.

Motion Carried.

T.R. Anderson: Yea, Rebecca Eggleston: Yea, Rhonda Pandorf: Yea, James Phelps: Yea,

Michael Reiff: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

Mr. Furrow discussed the new expenditures report that was in the board packet this month. Mr. Reiff asked if the expenditures could be separated by fund to make comparison easier.

Amazon Capital Services 803.29 | AT&T 114.04 | Amy Birkel 187.50 | Callaway Market 267.75 | Callaway True Value 560.55 | Callaway Volunteer Fire and Rescue 200.00 | Kyle Charron 695.00 | Coach Masters, Inc. 5800.00 | Country Partners Cooperative 2105.42 | State of Nebraska 317.87 | Eakes Office 111.84 | ESU 5 21480.00 | Egan Supply Co. 1039.75 | Elliot Plumbing & Home Improvement, INC 200.00 | Engineered Controls Inc. 930.00 | ESU 10 | 2669.00 | Great Plains Communications 1003.92 | Heinemann Publishing 123.54 | Integrated Security Solutions 1284.00 | Jaymar Business Forms Inc 215.95 | Kristi Dvorak 300.00 | LAWN DOCK 698.21 |

Mcgraw-Hill Education 303.36 | Menards 95.28 | Mid-American Research Chemical 630.76 | NASB 65.00 | Nebraska Glass Co LLC 49.95 | Quill 101.14 | School Specialty 151.20 | Syndicate Publishing LLC 887.64 | Taylor Music Company 3895.00 | Team Physical Therapy 847.43 | Trumbull Repair 125.00 | Village of Callaway 11740.99 | Weathercraft of North Platte 428.00 | Yandas Music & Pro Audio

5. District Celebrations

Mr. Furrow noted our fall testing scores continue to show improved from previous years. Mr. Furrow also noted that the school was found to be in compliance with all SPED indicators for the last school year.

Mrs. Jesseph will share more details about each celebration in the principals' report.

6. Correspondence / Guests / Public Comment to the Board of Education

There was no public comment during the regular meeting.

7. Principal's Report

Mr. Birkel and Mrs. Jesseph shared activities from the start of the school year. Mrs. Jesseph expanded on the MAPS fall scores and SPED compliance.

8. Superintendent's Report

8.1. Set October BOE Meeting Date & Time

October Board Meeting will be October 12th, 2026 at 8:00 p.m. in the Callaway Public Schools Library

8.1.1. Bill Reader for October - TR Anderson

8.2. Garlick Property Update

Mr. Furrow did not have an update on the Garlick Property this month

8.3. Weathercraft Companies

Mr. Furrow shared the quote to replace the chain arm and motor for the shop door. Also received other potential companies to perform the project.

8.4. Computer Order

Mr. Furrow reported that the school received just over \$19,000 in REAP funds and this computer order will be paid for with those funds. This order is to replace Kindergarten touch screen devices.

8.5. Lunch Bill Update

Mr. Furrow reported that one family would be turned in for small claims, and that payment plans have been made for the other family that is over the threshold. Mr. Furrow also reported that a message was sent to all families about keeping a positive lunch balance.

8.6. Maturing CDARS Plans

Mr. Furrow shared with the board that \$431,850.82 would be reinvested in a 6-month CD at 3.65% interest. This CD will be made up of the special building funds, activities funds, employee benefit funds that were in the original CDAR investment plus \$75,000.00 additionally from the special building fund.

8.7. Notification of Annual Financial Report Audit | September 24, 2026

Mr. Furrow informed the board that the school auditors would be in the school on the 24th of September

8.8. Review of Grievance Policy | 402.05

Mr. Furrow read the grievance policy and the bullet points of grievance procedure from the negotiated agreement.

8.9. HUDL Update

Mr. Furrow informed the board that the new HUDL package would include an extra camera and is now \$10,000.00 for the school year.

8.10. Bus Update Quotes

Mr. Furrow shared the quote to fix the fuel injection system for bus #15. The total price is under the superintendent's spending threshold, so no action is required in tonight's meeting.

9. Committee / AD / IPM Reports

10. Past Business (Action Items)

10.1. Second Reading of Policies

Motion by T.R. Anderson, seconded by Michael Reiff Motion to remove policy 8130 & Pass Policies 5004, 5005, 5006, 5008, 5101, 5205, 8432, 1110, 3130, 3560 as presented. Motion Carried.

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

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

10.1.1. Approve the final reading for Perry Policies: 5004 Part-Time enrollment, 5005 Admission Residency Contracting, 5006 Option Enrollment, 5008 Attendance, 5101 Student Discipline, 5205 Graduation, 8130 Annual Organizational Meeting, 8432 Designate Meeting Notice Method, 1110 Bulletin Boards, 3130 Purchasing, 3560 Records Management

11. New Business (Action Items)

11.1. Motion to approve Budget

Motion by Rhonda Pandorf, seconded by Michael Reiff To approve the 2026-2027 Callaway Public Schools Budget as presented in the budget hearing.. Motion Carried.

T.R. Anderson: Nay, Rebecca Eggleston: Yea, Rhonda Pandorf: Yea, James Phelps: Yea, Michael Reiff: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 1

T.R. Anderson: Nay

11.2. Renewing Line of Credit with NESB

Motion by Michael Reiff, seconded by T.R. Anderson To Approve resolution LOC26 to renew the line of credit with Nebraska State Bank and Trust Company (NESB). Motion Carried.

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

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

11.3. Approve Bus Repairs

No action required/taken

12. Board Report

12.1. Labor Relations Conference September 29-30, 2026

Mr. Furrow informed the board that he and Mrs. Jorgenson would be attending this conference in Lincoln, NE next week.

12.2. State Education Conference Check-In

The board added the conference dates to their calendar and will inform Mr. Furrow if they will attend.

12.3. Special Meeting Announcement | Tex Levy Hearing & Budget Approval | September 24, 2026 | Callaway Public Schools Library

12.4. NAPSF - Scholarship Granting Information | November 1st, 2026

Mr. Furrow discussed the tax credits available to scholarship granting organizations and checked to see if any board members would like to attend a workshop to learn how our school can benefit from those tax credits.

12.5. Joint Public Hearing | September 22, 2026 at 6:05pm | Broken Bow, NE Municipal Building | 431 South 10th Ave

12.6. Notification of School Board Vacancy | Plans to appoint a new member at the Regular October 2026 Meeting

Mr. Furrow informed the board of their options to fill the board vacancy and plans to appoint a new member to the board during the October meeting.

12.7. Discussion on Committees and the addition of a budget finance committee.

The board discussed how to proceed with committee alignment and considered the addition of a finance and budget committee to review school expenditures and prepare for the 2027-2028 Budget cycle.

13. Executive Session *

14. Adjournment

Meeting Adjourned at 9:59 p.m.