Regular Meeting
Monday, November 9, 2026 7:00 PM Central

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

1. Roll Call/Call To Order/Pledge of Allegiance
All board members were present for the meeting.

2. Excuse Absent Board Members

3. 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 Regular meeting

4. District Celebrations
Mr. Furrow highlighted the generous donations to our school beef program from the Scott Dvorak family and from the Bill Svoboda family. We are also set to receive a second donation from the Richard Still family and from the Wyatt Eggleston Family. Participation in the school beef program helps us provide school lunches that are nutritious and tasty!
Mr. Furrow also informed the board that we had a number of athletes recognized for MNAC All-Conference volleyball - Berkley Preston 1st Team, Charlie Pandorf 1st Team, Emma Stallbaumer 2nd Team, and Rae Haggler Honorable Mention.

4.1. Beef Boosters Donation and Processing

5. Correspondence/Guests/Public Comment to the Board of Education
There was no public comment in tonight's meeting.

6. Principal's Report
Mrs. Jesseph report to the board on professional development opportunities the staff had attended recently. She also highlighted the upcoming winter testing schedule. Mrs. Jesseph and Mr. Furrow also reported the School's state mandated Computer Science and Technology report to the board of education. This report highlighted the required topics covered in our computer science classes and also the enrollment numbers for the classes over the past three years.

7. Superintendent's Report

7.1. Set December 2026 BOE Meeting Date & Time
The December board meeting was set for Monday December 14th, @ 7:00 p.m. and will be held in the school library at Callaway Public Schools.

7.1.1. December Bill Reader - Rhonda Pandorf

7.2. Discuss / Schedule Financial Planning Board Retreat
The board discussed scheduling for our upcoming budget and finance committee meetings and getting a board retreat planned. Mr. Jim Phelps also updated the board on plans to construct a strategic plan to help guide future board decisions.

7.3. Schedule Americanism Committee Meeting

The committee on Americanism meeting will be held before the regular December board meeting.

7.4. Garlick Property Update
Mr. Furrow updated the board on recent communications with the George Garlick conservator.

7.5. Lunch Bill Update
It was determined that Mr. Furrow would no longer report monthly on lunch bills, but would inform the board if a family reached the point where they would be turned in to small claims.

7.6. 3-Month Financial Projection
Mr. Furrow gave his most recent 3-month prediction for the general fund balance. In this prediction, there will likely be a negative balance in the general fund on January 1st. When compared with the previous year the general fund is in better position.

8. Committee/AD Reports

8.1. Buildings & Grounds Report
Mr. Mike Reiff shared notes with the board about the buildings and grounds meeting held in late October. There was a discussion about needs in the playground area as well as conversation about the HVAC system.

8.2. Budget and Finance Update
The Budget and Finance Group A reviewed what was discussed at the initial meeting. 3 topics were covered during the meeting: cost of staff with consideration of upcoming insurance changes, a potential relationship with a virtual school company that may generate revenue for the district, and a deep dive into the schools student fees handbook/policy vs practice.

8.3. Negotiations Update
The negotiations committee reported on the initial negotiating meeting. The teacher group brought forward some non-base related considerations for the board.

8.4. Discuss State Education Conference Travel Plans
The board discussed the upcoming state education conference.

9. Past Business (Discussion Items)

9.1. Shop Door Update
Mr. Furrow noted that Axxcent Buildings were able to find the necessary parts and fixed the shop door for approximately $200. A significant savings to the district.

10. Past Business (Action Items)

10.1. Student Handbook Updates | Article 8 - Student Conduct Rules
The board approved the amendment to our current handbook to reflect the policy change addressing student conduct expectations.

11. New Business (Discussion Items)

11.1. Request to extend Superintendent Contract
Mr. Furrow submitted a letter requesting the board to extend his contract an additional year.

12. New Business (Action Items)

12.1. Approve the Financial Audit for the 2025-2026 School Year
No action was taken on this action item as we had not received the completed audit by the time of the meeting.

12.2. Approve Team Physical Therapy 5 Year Contract

13. Board Report

14. Personnel

15. Closed/Executive Session

16. Reconvene in Open Session

17. Superintendent Annual Assessment and Scores

18. Adjournment