

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Education of Elwood Public School

A meeting of the Board of Education of Elwood Public School was convened in open and public session on Monday, August 10, 2026 in the school library at the Elwood Public School, 502 First Avenue, Elwood, Nebraska. The roll was called and the following members were present or absent:

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication in accordance with the Board approved method for printing notice of meetings in the Cambridge Clarion (Valley Voice). Notice of this meeting was given in advance to all members of the Board of Education. The Secretary of the Board maintains a list of the news media requesting notification of meetings and advance notification to the listed media of the time and place of the meeting and the subjects to be discussed at this meeting was provided. Availability of agenda was communicated in the publicized notice and a copy of the Agenda was maintained as stated in the publicized notice. 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 to order

This meeting of the Board of Education of Elwood Public Schools is convened in open and public session on Monday, August 10th, 2026 at 7:30 pm in the Elwood Public School library. Notice of this meeting was given in advance by publication in the Valley Voice newspaper and posted in at least 3 public locations. The Board of Education makes available at least one current copy of the Open Meetings Act posted in the meeting room at a location accessible to members of the public. The Act is posted on top of the bookshelf on the south wall of the meeting room.

B. Public Comment

C. Consent agenda

Motion was made by Bryant Knoerzer seconded by Mark Weissert to approve the Consent Agenda. Which includes the minutes of the last regular meeting, general financial report and the activity financial report. After discussion and on roll call, The Board voted as follows:

The motion: Carried

Kristy Diefenbaugh: Yea, Daron Huyser: Yea, Bryant Knoerzer: Yea, Jeff Moore: Yea, Ryan Shutts: Yea, Mark Weissert: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

C.1. Minutes of Last regular meeting

C.2. General Financial Report

C.3. Activity Financial Report

D. Monthly bills submitted- General Fund, Activity Fund, Nutrition Fund, Special Building Fund, Depreciation Fund

Motion was made by Kristy Diefenbaugh seconded by Daron Huyser approve the monthly bills submitted: General Fund \$322,756.03, Activity \$3,317.26, Depreciation \$5,444.28, Special Building \$88,297.68. After discussion and on roll call, The Board voted as follows:

The motion: Carried

Kristy Diefenbaugh: Yea, Daron Huyser: Yea, Bryant Knoerzer: Yea, Jeff Moore: Yea, Ryan Shutts: Yea, Mark Weissert: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

E. Presentation to the Board

F. Reports

- F.1. Administrator Reports
- F.2. Board Committee Reports
- F.3. Other Reports

G. Items

- G.1. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to recognize Elwood Booster Club for 2026-2027.

Motion was made by Jeff Moore seconded by Bryant Knoerzer to recognize the Elwood Booster Club for 2026-2027. After discussion and on roll call, The Board voted as follows:
The motion: Carried

Kristy Diefenbaugh: Yea, Daron Huyser: Yea, Bryant Knoerzer: Yea, Jeff Moore: Yea, Ryan Shutts: Yea, Mark Weissert: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

- G.2. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to transfer \$15,000 from General Fund to Activity Fund for purpose of transferring to Hi-Line Activity Fund (Eustis-Farnam).

Motion was made by Kristy Diefenbaugh seconded by Mark Weissert to approve the transfer of \$15,000 from General to Activity for the purpose of transferring to HL Bulls Account (EF). After discussion and on roll call, The Board voted as follows:

The motion: Carried

Kristy Diefenbaugh: Yea, Daron Huyser: Yea, Bryant Knoerzer: Yea, Jeff Moore: Yea, Ryan Shutts: Yea, Mark Weissert: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

- G.3. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve 2026-2027 Student Handbook (reviewed by KSB--District legal Counsel).

Motion was made by Jeff Moore seconded by Daron Huyser to approve the 2026-2027 Student Handbook. After discussion and on roll call, The Board voted as follows:

The motion: Carried

Kristy Diefenbaugh: Yea, Daron Huyser: Yea, Bryant Knoerzer: Yea, Jeff Moore: Yea, Ryan Shutts: Yea, Mark Weissert: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

- G.4. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve 2026-2027 Staff Handbook (reviewed by KSB--District Legal Counsel).

Motion was made by Mark Weissert seconded by Jeff Moore to approve the 2026-2027 Staff Handbook. After discussion and on roll call, The Board voted as follows:

The motion: Carried

Kristy Diefenbaugh: Yea, Daron Huyser: Yea, Bryant Knoerzer: Yea, Jeff Moore: Yea, Ryan Shutts: Yea, Mark Weissert: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

- G.5. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve Elwood Public School iPad Handbook.

Motion was made by Jeff Moore seconded by Kristy Diefenbaugh to approve the 2026-2027 Elwood Public School iPad Handbook. After discussion and on roll call, The Board voted as follows:

The motion: Carried

Kristy Diefenbaugh: Yea, Daron Huyser: Yea, Bryant Knoerzer: Yea, Jeff Moore: Yea, Ryan Shutts: Yea, Mark Weissert: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

- G.6. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to transfer up to \$25,000 from General Fund to Activities Fund.

Motion was made by Bryant Knoerzer seconded by Jeff Moore to approve of up to \$25,000 from the General Fund to the Activities Fund. After discussion and on roll call, The Board voted as follows:

The motion: Carried

Kristy Diefenbaugh: Yea, Daron Huyser: Yea, Bryant Knoerzer: Yea, Jeff Moore: Yea, Ryan Shutts: Yea, Mark Weissert: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

- G.7. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to transfer up to \$200,000 from General Fund to Depreciation Fund (Bus/vehicle acquisition, Building Maintenance, Curriculum replacement).

Motion was made by Bryant Knoerzer seconded by Kristy Diefenbaugh to approve the transfer of \$200,000 from the General Fund to the Depreciation Fund (Bus/vehicle acquisition, Building Maintenance, Curriculum replacement). After discussion and on roll call, The Board voted as follows:

The motion: Carried

Kristy Diefenbaugh: Yea, Daron Huyser: Yea, Bryant Knoerzer: Yea, Jeff Moore: Yea, Ryan Shutts: Yea, Mark Weissert: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

- G.8. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve Wilkins Architecture invoice (\$4,687.68 Special Building Fund)

Motion was made by Mark Weissert seconded by Daron Huyser to approve Wilkins Architecture invoice for \$4,687.68 (Special Building Fund). After discussion and on roll call, The Board voted as follows:

The motion: Carried

Kristy Diefenbaugh: Yea, Daron Huyser: Yea, Bryant Knoerzer: Yea, Jeff Moore: Yea, Ryan Shutts: Yea, Mark Weissert: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

- G.9. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve ALICAP renewal for 2025-2026 which includes insurance for (Worker's Compensation, Liability, Property, Machinery, Errors and Omissions)

Motion was made by Jeff Moore seconded by Kristy Diefenbaugh to approve renewal of ALICAP Insurance for 2026-2027. After discussion and on roll call, The Board voted as follows:

The motion: Carried

Kristy Diefenbaugh: Yea, Daron Huyser: Yea, Bryant Knoerzer: Yea, Jeff Moore: Yea, Ryan Shutts: Yea, Mark Weissert: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

- G.10. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve the purchase of Elwood Championship Banners to be hung in the gymnasium.

Motion was made by Jeff Moore seconded by Mark Weissert to purchase championship banners. After discussion and on roll call, The Board voted as follows:

The motion: Carried

Kristy Diefenbaugh: Yea, Daron Huyser: Yea, Bryant Knoerzer: Yea, Jeff Moore: Yea, Ryan Shutts: Yea, Mark Weissert: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

- G.11. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to

- H. Next regular meeting September 14, 2026 @ 7:30 pm- (To Follow Budget Hearing) -School Library 502 First Avenue.

Budget Workshop, August 20, 2026 7:30 pm School Library

Budget Hearing, September 14, 2026 7:00 pm School Library

Property Tax Hearing, September 14, 2026 to follow Budget Hearing, School Library

I. Board ideas for next meeting.

J. Adjournment

Motion was made by Daron Huyser seconded by Jeff Moore adjourn at 8:18. After discussion and on roll call, The Board voted as follows:

The motion: Carried

Kristy Diefenbaugh: Yea, Daron Huyser: Yea, Bryant Knoerzer: Yea, Jeff Moore: Yea, Ryan Shutts: Yea, Mark Weissert: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Respectfully submitted,

Kristy Diefenbaugh, Recording Secretary
Gosper County District 37-0030
a/k/a Elwood Public School