

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, September 14, 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:

Present: Bryant Knoerzer, Jeff Moore, Ryan Shutts, Mark Weissert, **Absent:** Kristy Diefenbaugh, Daron Huyser.

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 hearing to order

Tax Hearing called to order at 7:15 pm.

Motion by Knoerzer seconded by Moore to excuse Huyser and Diefenbaugh. Motion passed 4-0-2.

B. Hearing to discuss the 2026-2027 Elwood Public School Property Tax Request.

Superintendent Hatch reviewed the effective tax rate for 2025-2026 (this is the most current information available). Superintendent Hatch also reviewed the tax asking/levy comparison. This chart shows tax asking and levy back to 2015-2016. The Board of Education also reviewed valuation comparisons back to 2015-2016. Superintendent Hatch also read the tax resolution and reviewed the tax asking summary. Superintendent Hatch then answered questions.

C. Public Comment

No public comment was received.

D. Adjournment

Motion was made by Mark Weissert seconded by Jeff Moore Motion by Weissert, seconded by Moore to adjourn at 7:22 pm. After discussion and on roll call, The Board voted as follows:

The motion: Carried

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

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Respectfully submitted,

Daren Hatch, Recording Secretary
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