

**Wayne Community Schools**  
**Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes**  
**May 12, 2025**

The regular meeting of the Wayne Board of Education was held at 611 West 7th Street, Wayne, NE, 68787, on Monday, May 12, 2025 at 5:00 PM. Notice of the meeting and place of agenda was posted at Wayne Community Schools, posted in The Wayne Herald, and online: wayneschools.org. A copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was displayed for the public to read.

I. Call the Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. in the Jr/Sr High School Library.

I.a. Pledge of Allegiance

I.b. Announce Open Meetings Act Posting and Location - Posted at Wayne Community Schools, Published in the Wayne Herald (5/8/25), and online: www.wayneschools.org

I.c. Action on Absence and Roll Call

I.d. Approval of Agenda - The Board may enter Closed Session to discuss any matter for which Closed Session is lawful and appropriate.

Motion to approve agenda, as presented, passed with a motion by Mr. Justin Davis and a second by Mr. Brent Pick.

Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Mr. Brent Pick: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

I.e. Consent Agenda - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Minutes of Previous Meetings and Financial Claims

Motion to approve consent agenda, as presented, passed with a motion by Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl and a second by Mr. Justin Davis.

Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Mr. Brent Pick: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

I.e.I. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

I.e.II. Approval of Financial Reports and Claims

I.f. Personnel

Hiring of paras, cooks, and custodians has begun for the 2025-26 school year.

II. Communications from the Public (Policy 8346) and Requested Presentations

II.a. Tracy Anderson - Vocal Music

Mrs. Tracy Anderson brought the Jazz Choir to sing to the Board. She thanked the Board for the new facility.

## II.b. Music Boosters

Mr. Justin Raulston, president of Music Boosters, discussed the ways the Music Boosters have supported the music department by purchasing new tubas and xylophones. He also discussed possible projects for the future.

## III. Celebration of Success

Students honored are from FCCLA STAR National Qualifiers, Spring Yearbook Staff, State Science Fair Participant, and Mid-State Conference Art Show Winners.

## IV. Action Items

### IV.a. Old Business

IV.a.I. Second Reading of 2025-26 Kids Club Handbook - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Second Reading of 2025-26 Kids Club Handbook

Motion to approve the Second Reading of 2025-26 Kids Club Handbook passed with a motion by Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl and a second by Mrs. Jaime Manz.

Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Mr. Brent Pick: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

The Board approved the Second Reading of the 2025-26 Kids Club Handbook.

### IV.b. New Business

IV.b.I. Payment Application No. 22: Hausmann Construction - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Payment Application No. 22

Motion to approve Payment Application #22 to Hausmann Construction, in the amount of \$433,226.58, passed with a motion by Mr. Justin Davis and a second by Mr. Lynn Junck.

Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Mr. Brent Pick: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

The Board approved Payment Application No. 22 to Hausmann Construction.

IV.b.II. 2025-26 Nebraska ESUCC-Sysco Food Service Agreement - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on 2025-26 Nebraska ESUCC-Sysco Food Service Agreement

Motion to approve the 2025-26 Nebraska ESUCC-Sysco Food Service Agreement. passed with a motion by Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl and a second by Mr. Lynn Junck.

Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Mr. Brent Pick: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

The Board approved the 2025-26 Nebraska ESUCC-Sysco Food Service Agreement.

IV.b.III. Sterling Chromebook Quote - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Sterling Chromebook Quote

Motion to approve the quote from Sterling for \$67,388 for Chromebooks for the 2025-26 school year, passed with a motion by Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl and a second by Mrs. Jaime Manz.

Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Mr. Brent Pick: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

The Board approved the purchase of 200 Chromebooks Sterling. These Chromebooks will be used by the Seventh and Ninth graders.

IV.b.IV. First Reading of 2025-26 Pre K Early Learning Handbook - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on First Reading of 2025-26 Pre K Early Learning Handbook

Motion to approve the First Reading of 2025-26 Pre K Early Learning Center Handbook passed with a motion by Mrs. Jaime Manz and a second by Mr. Brent Pick.

Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Mr. Brent Pick: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

The Board approved the First Reading of the 2025-26 PK Early Learning Center Handbook. This handbook is for preschool only.

IV.b.V. First Reading of 2025-26 K-2 Early Learning Center Handbook - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on First Reading of 2025-26 K-2 Early Learning Center Handbook

Motion to approve the First Reading of 2025-26 K-2 Early Learning Center Handbook passed with a motion by Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl and a second by Mrs. Jaime Manz.

Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Mr. Brent Pick: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

The Board approved the First Reading of the 2025-26 K-2 Early Learning Center Handbook. This handbook is for grades Kindergarten-Grade 2.

IV.b.VI. First Reading of 2025-26 Elementary (3-6) Handbook - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on First Reading of 2025-26 Elementary Handbook

Motion to approve the First Reading of 2025-26 Elementary (3-6) Handbook passed with a motion by Mrs. Jaime Manz and a second by Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl.

Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Mr. Brent Pick: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

The Board approved the First Reading of the 2025-26 Elementary Handbook. This is for grades 3-6.

#### IV.b.VII. Voluntary Student Accident & Catastrophic Insurance - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Voluntary Student Accident & Catastrophic Insurance

Motion to table Voluntary Student Accident & Catastrophic Insurance passed with a motion by Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl and a second by Mrs. Jaime Manz.

Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Mr. Brent Pick: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

The Board voted to table this motion until more information could be collected.

#### V. Administration and Board Committee Reports:

V.a. Administration - Written reports were provided by Administration. Copies of their reports are available at the District Office upon request.

##### V.a.I. Superintendent

###### V.a.I.1. TIF Information

Dr. Lenihan discussed the annual TIF Project Report from the City of Wayne.

###### V.a.I.2. Line Item Budget - First Draft

Dr. Lenihan presented the first draft of the projected budget for 2025-26.

###### V.a.I.3. 2025-26 School Lunch Prices

Dr. Lenihan presented school meal comparisons of different schools.

###### V.a.I.4. 2024-25 Enrollment Update

Quarter 4 enrollment numbers were presented to the Board.

###### V.a.I.5. Option Enrollment Update

Dr. Lenihan showed the Board the Option In and Out numbers. Wayne Community Schools has a net of seventeen option in students.

###### V.a.I.6. Elementary Inter-Active Display Inventory

Dr. Lenihan discussed purchasing interactive display boards for the 2025-26 school year.

##### V.a.II. High School Principal

Mr. Plager discussed the addition of Theatre Class for grades 11-12 for the 2025-26 school year.

#### V.a.III. Special Education/Early Learning Center Director

Mrs. Bear stated 270+ athletes participated in Spring Sprints.

#### V.a.IV. Elementary Principals

Mrs. Maas and Mr. Diediker stated testing is done at the Elementary. WEB Book Giveaway and Meet the Teacher will happen the last few days of school.

#### V.a.V. Junior High Principal/Activities Director

Mr. Wragge stated the first round of Boys State Baseball will be played on Saturday, May 17, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. There will be no wrestling coop with Laurel-Concord-Coleridge next year.

#### V.b. Board Committees

V.b.I. Foundation and Community Relations - Justin Davis, Jaime Manz, Sylvia Ruhl, Mark Lenihan, Misty Bear, Rusty Parker

Mr. Rusty Parker stated there were 200 participants for the Alumni Tournament. \$28,000 was awarded in scholarships.

V.b.II. Curriculum and Committee on American Civics - Jaime Manz, Jodi Pulfer, Sylvia Ruhl, Mark Lenihan, Andi Diediker, Russ Plager

No report.

V.b.III. Facility/Safety/Finance - Justin Davis, Lynn Junck, Brent Pick, Mark Lenihan, Russ Plager, Dave Wragge, Darian Stoltenberg, Jordan Widner

Mr. Jordan Widner stated the ELC playground setup and the Elementary shingling project will begin at the end of May.

V.b.IV. Policy/Title IX - Jaime Manz, Brent Pick, Jodi Pulfer, Mark Lenihan, Misty Bear, Courtney Maas

Policy updates will be coming over the summer. They will be added to future agendas.

V.b.V. Negotiations - Justin Davis, Lynn Junck, Jodi Pulfer, Mark Lenihan

No report.

V.b.VI. Legislative - Lynn Junck, Brent Pick, Sylvia Ruhl, Mark Lenihan

Dr. Lenihan discussed two bills that will affect school districts. He will keep the Board posted as things progress.

#### VI. Boardsmanship

\*School Law Seminar June 11-12, 2025 - Kearney

#### VII. Future Agenda Items

\*Graduation - Saturday, May 17, 2025, 1:00 p.m., Jr/Sr High School Gym

\*Vending Contract

\*Banking Bid

\*Payment Application No. 23: Hausmann Construction

\*Second Reading of 2025-26 7-12 Handbook Changes

\*Second Reading of 2025-26 Elementary (3-6) Handbook

\*Second Reading of 2025-26 Pre K ELC Handbook

\*Second Reading of 2025-26 K-2 ELC Handbook

\*First Reading of 2025-26 Non-Certificated Staff Handbook

\*First Reading of 2025-26 Certificated Staff Handbook

\*Edits of 8000 Policies

\*Policy Updates

\*Annual Summer Retreat

\*Set Hot Lunch and Milk Prices

\*Board Review of Policies 6000-6240

#### VIII. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn Meeting passed with a motion by Mr. Lynn Junck and a second by Mrs. Jaime Manz.

Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Mr. Brent Pick: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

The meeting was adjourned at 6:46 p.m. The next regular Board Meeting will be Monday, June 9, 2025, in the Jr/Sr High School Library. The meeting will begin at 5:00 p.m.

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Deb Daum, Secretary