

Special Meeting

Mission: "Engaging All Learners to Achieve Success"

The Special Meeting started at 4:30 PM on Thursday, May 21, 2026. The meeting was held at Kramer Education Center
2410 16th Street, Suite A
Columbus, NE 68601

Candace Becher: Present

Michael Jeffryes: Present

Doug Molczyk: Present

Theresa Seipel: Absent

Douglas Willoughby: Present

Marv Zoucha: Absent

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL OF THE BOARD

III. EXCUSE BOARD MEMBERS

Motion to excuse board members. Passed with a motion by Doug Molczyk and a second by Douglas Willoughby.

Candace Becher: Yea, Michael Jeffryes: Yea, Doug Molczyk: Yea, Douglas Willoughby: Yea

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

V. MEETING COMPLIANCE

V.A. OPEN MEETINGS ACT

V.B. PUBLICATION OF MEETING NOTICE

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

VII. ACTION ITEMS FOR THIS MEETING

VII.A. Approve Food Service Management Company

Motion to approve the resolution for the Food Service Management Company Agreement between Columbus Public Schools and Lunchtime Solutions, Inc. for operation and management of the District's food service program for the period July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027, including the contractual financial guarantee provisions, with annual renewal options for up to four additional one-year terms subject to Board approval. Passed with a motion by Doug Molczyk and a second by Candace Becher.

Candace Becher: Yea, Michael Jeffryes: Yea, Doug Molczyk: Yea, Douglas Willoughby: Yea

VIII. ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn Passed with a motion by Doug Molczyk and a second by Douglas Willoughby.

Candace Becher: Yea, Michael Jeffryes: Yea, Doug Molczyk: Yea, Douglas Willoughby: Yea

I, the undersigned, being the duly qualified Secretary for the School District No. 1 of Columbus, Nebraska, certify that the preceding is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular School Board meeting of Thursday, May 21, 2026.

President

Secretary

COLUMBUS PUBLIC SCHOOLS

SCHOOL DISTRICT 71-0001
COLUMBUS, NEBRASKA

BOARD OF EDUCATION RESOLUTION NO. 26-N

APPROVAL OF FOOD SERVICE MANAGEMENT COMPANY AGREEMENT WITH LUNCHTIME SOLUTIONS, INC.

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of Columbus Public Schools, School District 71-0001, Nebraska ("District") participates in the National School Lunch Program, School Breakfast Program, and other applicable federal child nutrition programs;

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that contracting with a qualified Food Service Management Company ("FSMC") is in the best interests of the District to provide efficient, effective, and compliant operation of the District's food service program;

WHEREAS, the District has conducted the required procurement process in compliance with applicable federal and state laws and regulations, including but not limited to 2 CFR Part 200, 7 CFR Part 210, applicable Nebraska Department of Education Nutrition Services requirements, and District procurement policies;

WHEREAS, following completion of the procurement process, District administration has recommended selection of Lunchtime Solutions, Inc. ("LSI") as the District's Food Service Management Company;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of Columbus Public Schools, School District 71-0001, Nebraska, as follows:

Section 1. Approval of Agreement

The Board hereby approves the Food Service Management Company Agreement between Columbus Public Schools and Lunchtime Solutions, Inc. for the operation and management of the District's food service program for a one-year term commencing July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, in an amount not to exceed Two Million Four Hundred Seventy-Three Thousand One Hundred Ninety-Three Dollars (\$2,473,193.00), payable from the District's School Nutrition Fund.

Section 2. Renewal Options

The agreement may be renewed annually for up to four (4) additional one-year terms, subject to satisfactory contractor performance, availability of funding, continued compliance with federal, state, and Nebraska Department of Education requirements, mutual agreement of the parties, and formal approval by the Board of Education for each renewal term.

Section 3. Financial Performance Guarantee

As part of the approved agreement, Lunchtime Solutions, Inc. shall provide a financial performance guarantee to Columbus Public Schools in the amount of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00), subject to the conditions set forth in the agreement.

Section 4. Personnel Authority

Food service personnel providing services under this agreement shall be employees of Lunchtime Solutions, Inc., and not employees of Columbus Public Schools, unless otherwise specifically authorized by separate Board action. The Superintendent or the Superintendent’s designee is authorized to coordinate implementation, transition, and day-to-day administration of the agreement consistent with its terms and applicable law.

Section 5. District Oversight and Compliance

The Board acknowledges that, notwithstanding this agreement, Columbus Public Schools remains the School Food Authority and retains ultimate responsibility for compliance with all federal and state child nutrition program requirements, including oversight of contractor performance.

Section 6. Contract Execution

The Board President, Superintendent, and such other District officials as necessary are authorized to execute the agreement and related documents, subject to final legal and administrative review and any required approvals by the Nebraska Department of Education.

PASSED AND APPROVED this ____ day of _____, 2026.

Board President

Board Secretary / Attest