

BOONE COUNTY DISTRICT No. 17
(aka ST. EDWARD PUBLIC SCHOOL)
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING
St. Edward School Science Room – St. Edward, Nebraska
Monday, August 11, 2025, 7:00 p.m.

The St. Edward Public School Board of Education conducted a regular meeting on Monday, August 11, 2025. Advance notice of the meeting agenda was published in The Albion News/Boone County Tribune on August 6, 2025.

1. Opening Procedures - Regular Meeting

- a. The meeting was called to order by President Roberts at 7:00 p.m. with members Christman, Merrell, Reardon, Cumming and Cruise, present. Also in attendance were Steve Osborn and Lindsay Tenski.
- b. Open Meeting Law Posted
- c. Pledge of Allegiance
- d. President Roberts set the next board meetings, hearings: date and times:
 1. Budget Hearing: September 8, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.
 2. Tax Request Hearing: If applicable, September 8, 2025 immediately Following Budget Hearing
 3. Regular Monthly Meeting date: September 8, 2025 immediately following the Hearing(s).

Visitor/Patron recognition:

a. Mr. Gray's Activity Director Report

- Fall Sports Meetings
 - Fall Sports Meetings for High School sports will be conducted this week.
 - Football – Monday, August 11th at 6:15 PM
 - Cross Country – Monday, August 11th at 5:45 PM
 - Volleyball – Thursday, August 14th at 6:45 PM
- Sports Schedule Posters and Tri-Fold Calendars are in the process of being created
 - We have several sponsors committed for Posters, with several also committed to other sponsorship opportunities.
 - Schedules have been given to 307 Designs. Hoping to have them done before the first games
- Fall Sports Apparel store is closing August 13th at midnight.
 - All orders are expected to be shipped to each school by August 25th
- Fall Practices for High School started today Monday, August 11th – Junior High practices will start on Thursday, August 14th
 - High School Volleyball and Cross Country are in Newman Grove this week, and Football is in St. Edward. Junior High Volleyball and Football will be in St. Edward for practices this week and JH Cross Country will be in Newman Grove. Practices will rotate each week from here on out.
- First Scheduled Game for Each Sport:
 - HS Football – August 29th at Summerland
 - HS Volleyball – August 28th vs. Harvard and Grand Island Lutheran (in Grand Island)
 - Jamboree Game at Twin Loup (Sargent) on August 19th
 - HS Cross Country - August 28th in St. Paul
 - JH Football – September 2nd vs Palmer (in St. Edward)
 - JH Volleyball – September 8th vs. Fullerton (in St. Edward)
 - JH Cross Country – August 28th in St. Paul

b. Mrs. Tenski's Principal Report

- Mr. Osborn and I attended Administrator Days in Kearney on July 23-25, 2025. Mr. Roscoe joined us on July 26th as he is currently working toward his Administration degree. We attended many sessions that covered assessments, school law updates, student engagement, and inclusion.
- Mrs. Osborn, Mr. Osborn, Mrs. Rasmussen, I represented St. Edward Public School in the 2025 Beaver Valley Days Parade on July 27, 2025.

c. Faculty/Student Recognition

- Thank you to Mr. Osborn, Mrs. Osborn, Mrs. Rasmussen and Mrs. Tenski for representing St. Edward Public School in the 2025 Beaver Valley Days Parade
- Thank you to our summer maintenance crew for all of their hard work in getting the building and grounds ready for the 2025-2026 school year!
- Thank you to the St. Edward Christian Community Church for providing lunch for the staff and school board on Friday, August 8th
- Thank you to Cornerstone for providing lunch on Monday, August 11th

d. Mr. Osborn's Superintendent/Elementary Principal Report

- The new school year is officially underway with teacher inservice activities taking place and students beginning classes on Wednesday, August 13th with a 1:30 dismissal.
- We will have a few new students joining us in grades PK, K, 1, 3, 6, 7, 8, 10, and 12

Project Updates

- Summer maintenance is wrapping up for the season. We will be doing some additional work on the grounds to get a few areas fine-tuned for the arrival of students and parents for the back-to-school open house on the 12th.
- Main Entry is getting final touches. Fitchner Construction has finished up the drywall on the new header and is getting painted. Rollie's Flooring finished installing the "walk off" carpet tiles and repaired the tile in the math room along the west wall while they were here. I am hopeful that Applied Connective will receive the back-ordered part to finish our "buzz-in" entry system. We are one of three that I am aware of waiting on the same back-ordered part for our entry systems.
- The preschool playground equipment was delivered on Tuesday of this week, and I am waiting for confirmation on an install date.

Staffing

- I will begin advertising for music and art as soon as we get the year underway

Other Information:

- Staff inservice for the 2025-2026 school year began on Thursday, August 7, 2025 and continues going well.
- We began having our vehicles inspected at Quality Trucks and Trailers. He did a very thorough job and has located several items needing attention. It was very convenient to get all 11 vehicles inspected within a one-week period. This will be very helpful with inspections occurring every 80 days.
- I was notified late last week that we will be recipients of the Fresh Fruits and Vegetables Program. I shared this with the Wellness Committee in a meeting today and they will be providing some assistance in implementation. We were awarded a total of \$4,686.26 to use through June 30, 2026
- I was notified today that we are again recipients of the Local Food for Schools Program. We were awarded \$2,049.05 to use by December 31, 2025

Upcoming Meeting and Conferences:

- None scheduled at this time

Standing Committee Meeting

- The Finance Committee met at 5:30 p.m. today, Monday, August 11th for the purpose of looking at 2025-2026 budget options to best meet the needs of the district.
- The Transportation Committee met today, Monday, August 11th at 6:15 p.m. on for the purpose of revisiting the usage of vans currently and in the future.

e. Consent Agenda

- July 14, 2025 regular meeting minutes
- July 14, 2025 special meeting minutes
- Bills and Claims payment for August 2025.
- Financial Report

It was moved by Roberts and seconded by Reardon to approve the consent agenda.

Roll call vote: Reardon-Yea, Roberts-Yea, Cruise-Yea, Merrell- Yea, Christman-Yea, Cumming- Yea:
Motion carried 6-0.

2. Discussion items

None

3. Action Items

- a. Discussion with action to transfer funds from General Fund to the Activity Fund

Motion by Roberts and seconded by Merrell to transfer \$30,000.00 from General Fund to the Activity Fund

Roll call vote: Reardon-Yea, Roberts-Yea, Cruise-Yea, Merrell- Yea, Christman-Yea, Cumming – Yea.

Motion carried 6-0

- b. Discussion with action to amend calendar to change September 12, 2025 to a 1:30 dismissal

Motion by Merrell and seconded by Reardon to amend calendar to change September 12, 2025 to a 1:30 dismissal

Roll call vote: Reardon-Yea, Roberts-Yea, Cruise-Yea, Merrell- Yea, Christman-Yea, Cumming – Yea.

Motion carried 6-0

- c. Discussion with action to approve the Student Fees Policy

Motion by Merrell and seconded by Reardon to approve the Student Fees Policy

Roll call vote: Reardon-Yea, Roberts-Yea, Cruise-Yea, Merrell- Yea, Christman-Yea, Cumming–Yea.

Motion carried 6-0

4. The meeting was adjourned by Executive Authority at 8:00 p.m.

Sherri Cruise, Secretary/Treasurer