

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 10, 2026, 7:00 p.m.

The St. Edward Public School Board of Education conducted a regular meeting on Monday, August 10, 2026. Advance notice of the meeting was published in The Albion News/Boone County Tribune on August 5, 2026.

1. Opening Procedures - Regular Meeting

- a. The meeting was called to order by President Roberts at 7:03 p.m. with members Christman, Reardon, and Cruise, present. Also in attendance were Steve Osborn and Michael Roscoe
- b. Open Meeting Law Posted
- c. Pledge of Allegiance
Motion made by Roberts seconded by Reardon to excuse: Cumming and Merrell from the board meeting.
Roll call vote: Reardon-Yea, Roberts-Yea, Cruise-Yea, Christman-Yea
Motion carried 4-0.
- d. President Roberts set the next board meetings/hearings for September 14, 2026:
 1. Finance Committee Meeting – 5:00 p.m.
 2. Planning Meeting – 5:30 p.m.
 3. Budget Hearing – 6:30 p.m.
 4. Special Hearing To Set Final Tax Request – Immediately Following the Budget Hearing
 5. Regular Monthly Meeting – Immediately Following the Special Hearing To Set Final Tax Request
- e. **Visitor/Patron recognition:** None

2. Reports

a. Mr. Gray's Activity Director Report (presented by Mr. Roscoe)

- Fall Sports Practices started today Monday, August 10th – JH Practices will start the following Monday (with the exception of JH Football who will start this Thursday, August 13th with equipment check out and JH Cross Country who started today with the HS team)
- High School Volleyball is practicing in St. Edward this week, while High School Cross Country and Football will be in Newman Grove. They will alternate weeks from here on out.
- Junior High Football, Volleyball, and Cross Country will be in St. Edward next week.
- First Scheduled Game for Each Sport:
 - HS Football Scrimmage - Friday, August 21, 2026 at 6:00 PM - St. Edward
 - HS Football – August 28th at Nebraska Christian
 - HS Volleyball – August 27th vs. Harvard and College View Academy (@ Harvard)
 - Jamboree Game at Twin Loup (Sargent) on August 20th
 - HS Cross Country - August 27th in St. Paul
 - JH Football – August 31st @ Palmer
 - JH Volleyball – September 1st @ Fullerton
 - JH Cross Country – August 27th in St. Paul
- Sports Schedule Posters and Tri-Fold Calendars are in the process of being created
- We have several sponsors committed for Posters and/or Fall and Winter Programs.

- Schedules will be designed and printed by Paper & Ink LLC who publishes the Albion News-Boone County Tribune
- Hoping to have them done before the first games
- Fall Sports Apparel store is closing Monday, August 17th at 3:00 PM

b. Mr. Roscoe's Principal Report

- Back to School Bash will be on Tuesday August 11th from 12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 - During this time, school photos will be taken, students can find/decorate lockers, interact with staff, get their schedule, and check out their Chromebooks
 - Student Council will have Lemonade Stand during Open House
- 1st Day of School is Wednesday August 12th with a 1:30 p.m. Dismissal.

c. Faculty/Student Recognition

- St. Edward students received a total of 48 blue ribbons and 39 red ribbons on the work submitted to the county fair.
- A special shout out to the "to be 7th grade" class as each student received a blue ribbon on their artwork.
- Thank you to Mrs. Faust for all of her hard work entering the artwork in the fair, setting it up, and bringing it back to St. Edward.

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

Elementary News

- We are wrapping up our in-service activities and finalizing plans for the first day with students. I believe our in-service activities were very productive.

Project Updates

- Summer maintenance has wrapped up for the season.
- We have completed a number of items on the electrician list mostly related to changing fluorescent lighting to LED lighting.
- We still have some electrical projects remaining on our list, including replacing the kitchen exhaust fan, installing ceiling fans in the cafeteria, we have a few fluorescent lights left in the music and business room, and repairing a light fixture in the main gym.

Staffing

- We are fully staffed to begin the 2026-2027 school year.

Other Information:

- We are again applying for the COPS grant with the grant writer from ESU. The purpose of this grant would be to upgrade our surveillance system and add all call (intercom) capabilities to our hallways, lunchroom, shop, and gymnasium. We submitted our application this afternoon.

3. Upcoming Meeting and Conferences:

- Student Issues Law Conference on August 13, 2026. Mr. Osborn and Mr. Roscoe plan to attend via zoom.

4. Standing Committee Meeting

- The Transportation Committee met today and reviewed our fleet, the mileage of each vehicle and discussed preliminary plans for purchase/lease of buses in the future.

- The Finance Committee will meet prior to the next BOE meeting to finalize recommendation for the 2026-2027 budget process

5. Consent Agenda

- Regular meeting minutes - July 9, 2026
- Financial Report
- Bills and Claims payment for August, 2026

Motion by Roberts and seconded by Christman to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Roll call vote: Reardon-Yea, Roberts-Yea, Cruise-Yea, Christman-Yea

Motion carried 4-0.

6. Discussion items - None

7. Action Items

- a. Discussion with possible action to approve the interlocal agreement with the City for the use of the football field.

Motion by Roberts and seconded by Cruise to interlocal agreement with the City for the use of the football field.

Roll call vote: Reardon-No, Roberts-Yea, Cruise-Yea, Christman-Yea:

Motion carried 3-1.

- b. Discussion with possible action to dispose of surplus/obsolete equipment.

Motion by Christman and seconded by Roberts to dispose of surplus/obsolete equipment.

Roll call vote: Reardon-Yea, Roberts-Yea, Cruise-Yea, Christman-Yea:

Motion carried 4-0.

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

Motion by Roberts and seconded by Reardon to approve the Student Fees Policy.

Roll call vote: Reardon-Yea, Roberts-Yea, Cruise-Yea, Christman-Yea:

Motion carried 4-0.

- d. Discussion with action to amend the 2026-2027 Master Calendar.

Motion by Roberts and seconded by Reardon to amend the 2026-2027 Master Calendar to allow for an early dismissal for the home football game on September 4, 2026.

Roll call vote: Reardon-Yea, Roberts-Yea, Cruise-Yea, Christman-Yea:

Motion carried 4-0.

8. The meeting was adjourned by Executive Authority at 7:59 p.m.

Sherri Cruise, Secretary/Treasurer