

Minutes Of The New Town School District No. 1

NEW TOWN PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT #1 MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 8, 2026

Present: Pete Young Bird, BJ Brady (arrived at 6:09 p.m.), Preston Danks, DJ Driver (joined at 6:13 p.m. via phone), Marietta Heart

Present: 5

Others Present: Marc Bluestone, Jeffrey Thake, Nancy Reimer, Jackie Wollschlager, Orrin Weyrauch, Jacobi Taft, Devontae Riley, Sharon Dana, Amy Dana, Jenell Bear

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting called to order at 6:04 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda. This motion, made by Marietta Heart and seconded by Preston Danks, carried.

BJ Brady: Yea; Preston Danks: Yea; DJ Driver: Yea; Marietta Heart: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0

3. Community Input

There is none at this time.

4. Budget Hearing NDCC 57-15-02.2

Motion to approve the 2026-2027 Certification of Levy and the School District Budget. This motion, made by Preston Danks and seconded by Marietta Heart, carried.

BJ Brady: Yea; Preston Danks: Yea; DJ Driver: Yea; Marietta Heart: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0

5. Fort Berthold Diabetes Program

Jacobi Taft presented the Fort Berthold Diabetes Program Report.

6. Principal Reports

Jenell Bear gave the elementary report.
Amy Dana gave the middle school report.

Devontae Riley gave the high school report.

7. Athletic Director Report

Orrin Weyrauch gave the Athletic Director's report.

Note: The administrators were excused from the meeting at 6:41 p.m.

8. Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes from the August 11, 2026 meeting. This motion,

made by Preston Danks and seconded by Marietta Heart, carried.

BJ Brady: Yea; Preston Danks: Yea; DJ Driver: Yea; Marietta Heart: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0

9. Open Enrollment/Tuition Agreements

Motion to approve the open enrollment applications presented. This motion, made by Marietta Heart and seconded by BJ Brady, carried.

BJ Brady: Yea; Preston Danks: Yea; DJ Driver: Yea; Marietta Heart: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0

1 - Kindergarten student from Mandaree

2 - 7th grade students from Mandaree

1 - 8th grade student from Mandaree

1 - 10th grade student from Parshall

1 - 7th grade student from White Shield

Total of 6 applications received.

10. Financial Reports and Bill Sets

Motion to approve the financial report and bill sets. This motion, made by DJ Driver and seconded by BJ Brady, carried.

BJ Brady: Yea; Preston Danks: Yea; DJ Driver: Yea; Marietta Heart: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0

11. Approval of Teacher Contracts for the 2026-2027 School Year

Motion to approve the amended contracts of Cherry Amante for \$66,825 with a BS+40 and 13 years' experience and Ziporah Ortega for \$68,500 with a BS+40 and 18 years' experience. This motion, made by Marietta Heart and seconded by Preston Danks, carried.

BJ Brady: Yea; Preston Danks: Yea; DJ Driver: Yea; Marietta Heart: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0

Motion to approve the contract of Carolyn Bluestone for \$37,203 with a MS+32 and 36 years' experience for 700 hours. This motion, made by Preston Danks and seconded by BJ Brady, carried.

BJ Brady: Yea; Preston Danks: Yea; DJ Driver: Yea; Marietta Heart: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0

Motion to approve the teaching contract of Maricel Hermosilla for \$60,763 with a MS+0 and 19 years' experience (for 168 days). This motion, made by Marietta Heart and seconded by Preston Danks, carried.

ried.

BJ Brady: Yea; Preston Danks: Yea; DJ Driver: Yea; Marietta Heart: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0

12. Approval of Lane Change for the

2026-2027 School Year

Motion to approve the lane change request of Valiente Guevarra from MS+24 to MS+32. This motion, made by Marietta Heart and seconded by BJ Brady, carried.

BJ Brady: Yea; Preston Danks: Yea; DJ Driver: Yea; Marietta Heart: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0

13. Approval of Bus Driver Contract for the 2026-2027 School Year

Motion to approve the bus driver contract of Iris Rodriguez \$19,000 plus \$10 per mile over 50 miles per day. This motion, made by Preston Danks and seconded by BJ Brady, carried.

BJ Brady: Yea; Preston Danks: Yea; DJ Driver: Yea; Marietta Heart: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0

14. Consent Agenda

a. Approve Amended KACB - Complaints About Personnel Policy (Second Reading)

b. Approve HEBC - Fraud Prevention & Investigation Policy (Second Reading)

c. Approve IAD - Sale of District Real Property Policy (Second Reading)

d. Approve LAB - Cooperative Programs and Services Policy (Second Reading)

15. Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the consent agenda. This motion, made by Marietta Heart and seconded by Preston Danks, carried.

BJ Brady: Yea; Preston Danks: Yea; DJ Driver: Yea; Marietta Heart: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0

16. Approval or Reject Bus Bids (71 passenger bus)

Motion to approve the bus bid for a 71 passenger bus from Harlows for \$133,085. This motion, made by Preston Danks and seconded by DJ Driver, carried.

BJ Brady: Yea; Preston Danks: Yea; DJ Driver: Yea; Marietta Heart: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0

17. Annual Compliance Report

Motion to approve the annual compliance report for the 2026-2027 school year. This motion, made by Marietta Heart and seconded by BJ Brady, carried.

BJ Brady: Yea; Preston Danks: Yea; DJ Driver: Yea; Marietta Heart: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0

18. Superintendent Report

Marc Bluestone gave the superintendent report.

19. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:16 p.m. This motion, made by BJ Brady and seconded by Preston Danks, carried.

BJ Brady: Yea; Preston Danks: Yea; DJ Driver: Yea; Marietta Heart: Yea

Yea: 4; Nay: 0
Meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Pete Young Bird
President

Nancy Reimer
Business Manager

NEW TOWN PUBLIC SCHOOL

DISTRICT #1 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 21, 2026

Present: Pete Young Bird, BJ Brady, Preston Danks, DJ Driver (via phone), Marietta Heart (via phone)

Present: 5

Others Present: Marc Bluestone, Jeffrey Thake, and Nancy Reimer

1. Call Meeting to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting called to order at 7:35 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda. This motion, made by Preston Danks and seconded by BJ Brady, carried.

BJ Brady: Yea; Preston Danks: Yea; DJ Driver: Yea; Marietta Heart: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0

3. Approval or Reject the Grandstand Bids

Motion to approve the bid from Corland Construction from Sidney, Montana for the grandstand project for \$8,115,653.00. This motion, made by DJ Driver and seconded by Preston Danks, carried.

BJ Brady: Yea; Preston Danks: Yea; DJ Driver: Yea; Marietta Heart: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0

4. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting. This motion, made by Preston Danks and seconded by Marietta Heart, carried.

BJ Brady: Yea; Preston Danks: Yea; DJ Driver: Yea; Marietta Heart: Yea
Yea: 4; Nay: 0

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 p.m.
Pete Young Bird
President

Nancy Reimer
Business Manager

BILLS:

GENERAL FUND: AIRE-MASTER OF ND 569.08; ALL AMERICAN SPORTS CORP. 222.84; AMERICAN WELDING & GAS, INC. 225.85; AURORA MENTAL HEALTH, PLLC 2,400.00; BAMBA, CARLA 65.00; BARBARA REESE CONSULTING, LLC 7,269.50; BLICK ART MATERIALS 206.88; BLUE, ROBERT 18.00; BLUESTONE, CAROLYN 120.00; BLUESTONE, MARC 2,166.39; BLUESTONE, REX 200.00; BSN SPORTS, LLC 1,275.45; CAREER SAFE 5,075.00; CATAHAN, JOAN 1,669.70; CENGAGE LEARNING 684.00; CITY OF NEW TOWN 4,994.18; COAST TO COAST COMPUTER PRODUCTS, INC 9,939.21; COLE PAPERS INC. 4,021.20; COLSTRIP ELECTRIC, INC. 1,783.52; COMFORT SUITES - BISMARCK 1,585.20; COMMERCIAL LIGHTING 417.88; COMMITTEE FOR CHILDREN 8,637.30; COMP-TIA, INC. 7,215.00; CUMMINS SALES AND SERVICE 40,481.98; DAKOTA DUST-TEX, INC. 784.37; DISCOUNT SCHOOL SUPPLY 71.12; DRAGSWOLF, REVERTA 161.00; ECOLAB PEST ELIMINATION INC. 143.75; ELECTRO WATCHMAN, INC. 105.00; ETSYSTEMS, INC. 480.00; G & P COMMERCIAL SALES 1,511.82; GAFFANEY'S OF MINOT, INC. 58.75; H. A. THOMPSON & SONS, INC 32,552.57; HARLOW'S BUS SALES, INC. - BISMARCK 136,484.69; HARRIS, MICHAEL 52.50; HUBERT COMPANY 54.46; INNOVATIVE OFFICE SOLUTIONS, LLC 48.14; IRWIN LAW FIRM, LLC 16,080.00; JOHNSON CONTROLS FIRE PROTECTION LP 1,246.56; JOURNEY MENTAL HEALTH 9,400.00; LAKESHORE LEARNING MATERIALS, LLC 47.49; LINDE GAS & EQUIPMENT INC 386.15; MID-AMERICAN RESEARCH CHEMICAL 8,400.42; MINOT PLUMBING & HEATING 16,075.50; MOUNTRAIL COUNTY PROMOTER 382.23; MOUNTRAIL-WILLIAMS ELECTRIC 19,237.61; NAPA AUTO PARTS 479.94; NASCO EDUCATION, LLC/SCHOOL SPECIALTY LLC 106.64; ND COUNCIL OF EDUCA-

TIONAL LEADERS 1,100.00; NEW TOWN JACK & JILL 836.05; NORTH DAKOTA SAFETY COUNCIL 2,689.00; NORTH SEGMENT QUICK LUBE 67.00; NORTHWEST CONFERENCE 800.00; PITNEY BOWES GLOBAL FINANCIAL 209.64; POSITIVE PROMOTIONS, INC. 1,571.34; PURCHASE POWER 200.00; READING WAREHOUSE, THE 592.59; REESE, DONNA 89.12; REIMER, NANCY 100.00; RESERVATION TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE 3,335.57; RILEY, DEVONTAE 91.00; SATERMO HARDWARE 110.45; SCHOCK'S SAFE & LOCK, INC. 454.50; SCHOLASTIC INC. 2,669.94; SCHOOL HEALTH CORPORATION 30.19; SCHOOL SPECIALTY, LLC 59.20; SHARE CORPORATION 441.23; SMART COMPUTERS & CONSULTING 3,225.00; SOFTWARE UNLIMITED INC 12,365.00; SP&E INCORPORATED 8,730.00; STEIN'S, INC 2,079.90; THAKE, JEFFREY 100.00; TRINITY MEDICAL GROUP 115.00; TWOTREES TECHNOLOGIES 7,077.10; UNITED QUALITY COOPERATIVE 22,517.72; VERIZON 70.82; VESTIS 3,437.45; VISA 2,865.09; WM CORPORATE SERVICES, INC 2,229.03; FUND TOTAL: 425,852.80

CAPITOL PROJECTS FUND: COLSTRIP ELECTRIC, INC. 5,848.06; DAKOTA FENCE INC 1,400.00; EAPC ARCHITECTS ENGINEERS 219,601.69; H. A. THOMPSON & SONS, INC 9,267.00; KELLER PAVING & LANDSCAPING 268,102.82; SERVPRO OF MINOT 17,510.20; WHITE HORSE BUILDERS LLC 90,652.50; FUND TOTAL: 612,382.27

HOT LUNCH FUND: DEPT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION 4,913.61; NEW TOWN JACK & JILL 428.90; STEIN'S, INC 572.17; SYSCO NORTH DAKOTA 44,736.96; US FOODS, INC. 1,888.90; VESTIS 3,684.68; FUND TOTAL: 56,225.22

TRUST AND AGENCY AND RENTAL FUND: BAMBA, CARLA 125.00; CITY OF NEW TOWN 2,935.75; DONEY, CARMEN 75.00; MINOT PLUMBING & HEATING 4,707.94; MOUNTRAIL-WILLIAMS ELECTRIC 3,331.39; RESERVATION TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE 1,393.00; SATERMO HARDWARE 376.63; SCHOCK'S SAFE & LOCK, INC. 287.20; UNITED QUALITY COOPERATIVE 154.98; WM CORPO-

RATE SERVICES, INC 651.49; FUND
TOTAL: 14,038.38; CHECKING AC-
COUNT TOTAL: 1,108,498.67