

NEW ENGLAND PUBLIC SCHOOL

School Board Proceedings

New England Public School District #9
Regular Meeting
September 10, 2025

The regular meeting of the New England Public School Board was called to order by President Chris Reindel at 6:20 p.m., on September 10, 2025. Board members present: Chris Reindel, Scott Bieber, Brooke Waltner and Shawn Wolf. Board Members absent: Amanda Seymour. Also present: Superintendent Scott Jung, Principal Sydney Ratliff, Dean of Students/AD Alex Quintane, Business Manager Tamara Volk and Kris Schwab.

Shawn moved to approve the agenda as amended. Scott seconded the motion. Chris aye, Shawn aye, Brooke aye, Scott aye. Motion carried 4-0.

Shawn moved to approve the minutes of August 13, 2025. Brooke seconded the motion. Shawn aye, Brooke aye, Scott aye, Chris aye. Motion carried 4-0.

Brooke moved to approve board bills as presented. Shawn seconded the motion. Shawn aye, Brooke aye, Scott aye Chris aye. Motion carried 4-0

Activity fund 13,461.90, payroll #11876 – 11885 DD 15176 – 15224 90,164.39, #11886 – 11893 DD15525 – 15560 140,692.55, GF 45788 Acme 5,054.86,45789 AFLAC 184.27, 45790 BSN 1,940.00, 45791 Cash 19.30, 45792 City 507.20, 45793 Consolidated 487.95, 45794 D & E 561.79, 45795 Dakota Dust-ex 165.24, 45796 Derksen Floors 8,250.00, 45797 Julie Dinius 150.00, 45798 Eckroth 51.96, 45799 Michaela Fischer 347.99, 45800 Forum Communications 138.00, 45801Four Seasons 127.50, 45802 FP Mailing 170.07, 45803 Good-heart-Willcox 555.61, 45804 GS Publishing 761.29, 45805 Cheyenne Hanson 66.99, 45806 JP Frame 142.28, 45807 JW Pepper 68.99, 45808 Adrien Kathrein 136.56, 45809 Ben Krebs 47.00, 45810 Lakeshore Learning 47.00, 45811 Linde Gas 300.01, 45812 Logo Magic 50.00, 45813 Marco2,351.95, 45814 Menards 478.30, 45815 Meridian Planners 279.99, 45816 Midwest investigation 225.00, 45817 MDU 4,121.57, 45818 NDCEL 1,950.00, 45819 ND Gateway to Science 500.00, 45820 NECGS 9.57, 45821 ODIN 1,119.82, 45822 Pearce & Durick 1,985.00, 45823 Gopher 763.52, 45824QuaverEd 1,800.00, 45825 Alexander Quintane 322.00, 45826 Riddell 198.95, 45827 Rudy's 15.00, 45828 Sax 1,768.00, 45829 Scholastic 707.66, 45830Shred-ND 53.75, 45831 Smart Computers 12,005.25, 45832Start to Sew 557.98, 45833 Steins 133.56, 45834Swanke's 300.00, 45835 US Bank 600.00, 45836Viking Glass 9,440.00, 45837VISA 1,440.05, 45838 VISA4,010.79, 45839Kristi Voth 342.00, 45840WRHS 110.00, 45841 WHSSU 4,909.00, 45842Westlie 5,946.08

Public Participation: None

REPORTS:

1.Buildings and Grounds

a.Core Solutions Presentation

i.Sign and bell for in front, by door 2, and a pump house for the sprinkler system. Total cost for project \$42,698.99. Cost of sign is \$3,500.00. Discussion on what exact costs are on each aspect of the project. Kris will get a breakdown out to Superintendent Jung.

ii.There is settling going on in the new section of the building. The settling is severe. There is a 1" drop just between the gym and the cafeteria in the vestibule. There is over 2" of drop between the new addition and old building. Cracking in the sheetrock in the hallways and new gym. In the maintenance shop there is 2" of drop from one end to the other. Kris put together some temporary numbers for piers to hold to prevent this from going forward. Recommendation is to get a structural engineer in to see what the exact way is to proceed. Projected costs for the project are

\$330,000.00. We need an engineering report to start and see where to move forward.

A recess was called for 15 minutes at 6:56 a.m., for the board to view the areas being discussed.

Meeting reconvened at 7:10 p.m.

iii.The temperature controls in the old office, library and math rooms are failing. Probably weeks to replace this system. Option for repairs on this system were presented. \$205,033.50 to tie everything into the existing system.

iv.Drywall repairs \$61,000.00

v.Total of all repairs would be \$794,982.32 estimated.

vi.A seat for FMX and set costs discussed. Kris will get this quote out to Superintendent Jung to give to the board.

2.Business Manager Report

a.Revenue report, expenditure report and balance sheets were presented.

b.DPI September payment

c.ECR Report is in the process of being completed.

d.List of acronyms is being compiled and hopefully will be ready by October meeting.

3.Superintendent Report

a.Enrollment Report – 243 total enrollments.

b.Personnel Report

i.Kennedy Pippenger is hired as the 4/5/6 GBB coach

ii.Michaela Fischer and Messa Kuehl as 7/8 VB Coaches

iii.Para-Professional Opening

iv.Open positions - 2 elementary BBB coaches

v.Open position - 1 JH BBB Coach

c.Discussion on Superintendent report information.

4.Principal Report

a.Finished Star Testing fall progress monitoring for fall.

b.6th grade will go to Slope County for EcoEd on 9/12/2025

c.College Fair at DSU on 9/12/2025

d.Seniors Touring Butler on 9/15/2025

e.9/17/2025 Religion Release begins.

f.PLC and MTSS Meetings in age groups starting next week.

g.Early out 9/19/2025 Data Dig from Star testing

h.9/24 and 10/1 parent teacher conferences and bookfair are going on.

i.Amendment to student handbook regarding student weapons. Specifications listed in the handbook given to the board.

j.Events Committee is doing the flamingo fundraiser

k.Homecoming week hallway decorating decisions were made this morning.

5.Athletic/Activities Director/Dean of Students Report

a.Fall sports are in full swing. Participation is at 90 students.

b.Eligibility checks starting today. If students are on the list, they are ineligible from today until next Tuesday.

c.Softball interest survey is ongoing.

d.AD meeting today.

e.Thanks to all the workers at the athletic events so far this year, and Shawn Wolf for all his work on the football field.

f.Congratulations to Beau Keith and Hannah Dinius both have qualified for the state cross country meet.

6.Transportation

a.Bus #19 update – going to move forward with bus #19 repairs.

7.Budget and Finance

No Report

8.Negotiations

No Report

9.Curriculum and Policy

a.Committee meeting date and time.

10.Co-Op Committee

No Report

11.Technology Committee

No Report

12.WERC

a.Mitch Strand will be in the school in October to see if the goals are being met for Cognia.

b.Instructional coach is in working with the first year and second-year teachers.

13.RACTC

a.Communication goals for the future with RACTC.

14.SWCTC

a.We have one student in two classes at the SWCTC center.

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

1.2025-2026 Local Educational Agency (LEA) Annual Compliance Report for New England Public School.

a.Scott moved to approve the 25-26 Local Education Agency (LEA) Annual Compliance Report on the condition that the report is given to the board once it is submitted. Chris aye, Scott aye, Shawn aye, Brooke aye. Motion carried 4-0.

6.2025-2026 School Annual Compliance Report for the New England Public School Virtual High School

it is submitted. Brooke seconded the motion. Chris aye, Scott aye, Shawn aye, Brooke aye. Motion carried 4-0

2.2025-2026 Local Educational Agency (LEA) Annual Compliance Report for the New England Public School Virtual Elementary School.

Shawn moved to approve the 25-26 Local Education Agency (LEA) Annual Compliance for the New England Public School Virtual Elementary School Report on the condition that the report is given to the board once it is submitted. Brooke seconded the motion. Scott aye, Shawn aye, Brooke aye, Chris aye. Motion carried 4-0.

3.2025-2026 Local Educational Agency (LEA) Annual Compliance Report for the New England Public School Virtual High School.

a.Scott moved to approve the 25-26 Local Education Agency (LEA) Annual Compliance for the New England Public School Virtual High School Report on the condition that the report is given to the board once it is submitted. Shawn seconded the motion. Shawn aye, Brooke aye, Chris aye, Scott aye. Motion carried 4-0.

4.2025-2026 School Annual Compliance Report for New England Public School.

a.Scott moved to approve the 25-26 School Annual Compliance Report for the New England Public School, on the condition that the report is given to the board once it is submitted. Shawn seconded the motion. Brooke aye, Chris aye, Scott aye, Shawn aye. Motion carried 4-0

5.2025-2026 School Annual Compliance Report for the New England Public School Virtual Elementaey School

a.Scott motioned to approve the 25-26 School Annual Compliance Report for the New England Public School Virtual Elementary School, on the condition that the report is given to the board once it is submitted. Brooke seconded the motion. Chris aye, Scott aye, Shawn aye, Brooke aye. Motion carried 4-0.

6.2025-2026 School Annual Compliance Report for the New England Public School Virtual High School

LEGALS

a.Scott motioned to approve the 25-26 School Annual Compliance Report for the New England Public School Virtual High School, on the condition that the report is given to the board once it is submitted. Shawn seconded the motion. Scott aye, Shawn aye, Brooke aye, Chris aye. Motion carried 4-0.

7.2025 – 2026 Final Budget – Superintendent Jung presented the final budget numbers to the board.

a.Scott moved to approve the final 25/26 final budget as presented to the board. Brooke seconded the motion. Shawn aye, Brooke aye, Chris aye, Scott aye. Motion carried 4-0.

8.Open Enrollment

a.Scott moved to approve the open enrollment application with Dickinson Public School for one 1st grade student. Shawn seconded the motion. Brooke aye, Chris aye, Scott aye, Shawn aye. Motion carried 4-0.

9.Open Enrollment

a.Scott moved to approve the open enrollment application with Dickinson Public School for one 3rd grade student. Brooke seconded the motion. Chris aye, Scott aye, Shawn aye, Brooke aye. Motion carried 4-0.

10.Open Enrollment

a.Shawn moved to approve the open enrollment application with Dickinson Public School for one 8th grade student. Brooke seconded the motion. Scott aye, Shawn aye, Brooke aye, Chris aye. Motion carried 4-0.

11.Letter of Resignation

a.Letter of resignation from Michaela Fischer as the FCCLA advisor position.

i.Scott moved to approve the resignation letter from Michaela Fischer as FCCLA advisor. Brooke seconded the motion. Shawn aye, Brooke aye, Chris aye, Scott aye. Motion carried 4-0.

Borad thanked Ms. Fischer for her time as the FCCLA Advisor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Chris Reindel, President
Tamara Volk,
Business Manager

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HETTINGER COUNTY

Official Proceedings

APPROVED MEETING OF HETTINGER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
September 10, 2025

Chairman Tom Geerts called the meeting to order at 8:40 a.m. with roll call of commissioners with Todd Lutz and Devan Laufer attending.

Lutz motioned to approve the minutes from the August meeting, seconded by Laufer. All in favor, motion carried. Lutz motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Laufer. All in favor, motion carried.

Each of the commissioners reported on their other boards or committees they are on.

Lutz made a motion to ap-

prove the following vouchers, Laufer seconding the motion. Roll Call vote, all voted aye. Motion carried. These bills are included below:

16590 Fitterer Sales \$164.55; 16591 Information Technology Dept. \$927.60; 16592 Marco \$730.17; 16593 The Hub Convenience Stores \$2,405.05; 16594 Visa \$506.99; 16595 AT&T Mobility \$694.64; 16596 Cenex Fleet Fueling \$958.25; 16597 Dan Porter Motors \$1,205.92; 16598 Information Technology Dept. \$321.00; 16599 The Hub Convenience Stores \$1,000.00; 16600 Visa \$882.03; 16607 Andrew S. Marquart \$198.00; 16608 Brosz Engineering, Inc. \$74,173.42; 16609 Cathy Ebert \$262.60; 16610 City of Mott \$209.25; 16611 Consolidated \$999.94; 16612 Corey Warner \$6,598.15; 16613 Dakota Dust-Tex \$187.35; 16614 Denny's Electric \$1,230.00; 16615 Department of Transportation \$289,134.98; 16616 Devin Hibberd \$2,182.50; 16617 Farm and Home Publishers \$285.00; 16618 Fitterer Oil \$19.94; 16619 Frieze Auto Parts, Inc. \$1,207.55; 16620 GS Publishing \$591.22; 16621 H.A. Thompson & Sons \$457.34; 16622 Heather Fischer \$66.63; 16623 Information Technology Dept. \$927.60; 16624 Joseph Stenberg Carpentry & Handyman \$1,850.00; 16625 Kern Spraying LLC \$10,364.15; 16626 M. D. U. \$1,414.71; 16627 Marc \$930.30; 16628 Marco \$176.49; 16629 Mott Equity Exchange \$532.03; 16630 ND Assoc. Of Counties \$207.00; 16631 NDSU Vet Lab \$80.00; 16632 Oien Grocery \$88.13; 16633 Olson's Carpet & Furniture \$4,122.00; 16634 Phyl Stiener \$1,327.68; 16635 RDO Equipment Co \$2,028.38; 16636 Slope Electric Coop \$148.49; 16637 Southwest Diesel & Repair \$1,618.54; 16638 Southwest Water Authority \$58.58; 16639 Stateline Grain Cleaning Inc \$202.50; 16640 Stein's, Inc. \$336.18; 16641 SW Multi-Co. Correction Center \$7,825.00; 16642 Taylor

Zentner \$42.45; 16643 Top Line Engine & Repair \$90.02; 16644 Traffic Safety Services, Inc \$8,899.48; 16645 Tyler Technologies, Inc. \$6,882.29; 16646 U.S. Postal Service (Quadiant-Poc) \$1,000.00; 16647 Visa \$1,295.22; 16648 Wilbur-Elis Co \$721.71; 16649 Cenex Fleet Fueling \$1,120.25; 16650 East End Auto & Truck Parts, Inc. \$320.00; 16651 Electronic Communications Inc \$250.00; 16652 Information Technology Dept. \$321.00; 16653 Jedediah Kohler \$189.00; 16654 Office of Attorney General \$155.00; 16655 Oien Grocery \$44.09; 16656 Regent Oil Co \$114.71; 16657 Top Line Engine & Repair \$228.13; 16658 Uniform Center \$260.97; 16659 Visa \$955.88.

Cathy Ebert, Tax Director, and Sheriff Warner both met with the commissioner for their respective monthly reports.

Laufer motioned to re-appoint Sheriff Warner to be the county's delegate to the state council that meets at the annual convention in October, seconded by Lutz. All in favor, motion carried.

The employee policy manual was discussed for a revision that would give the employees the Federal Holiday off on Co-

lumbus Day. Previously, employees worked on Columbus Day and in exchange would have the day after Thanksgiving off. Laufer motioned to reinstate Columbus Day as a holiday and if the employees want or need the day off after Thanksgiving, they are to use vacation time, seconded by Lutz. All in favor, motion carried.

Eric Urness, Brosz Engineering, met with the board to let them know that two bridge projects made it a step closer for the Bridge Flex funding list. It will be known at a later date if they get chosen for this funding.

Chairman Geerts signed certification letters required for the Kouba Bridge Project.

The Enchanted Highway will have its' final inspection soon.

At this time the commissioners interviewed three candidates for the Road Crew with Elliott Finck attending via computer. Finck will make his decision and will let the board know.

The board adjourned for lunch and will reconvene at 1:00 p.m. for the 2026 Final Budget Hearing.

The board met for the budget hearing for the 2026 Budget. Senator Don Schaible was also in attendance during this time. Schmidt gave a presentation of the budget with the commissioners. She explained that the county stayed within the three percent cap with almost one percent left to roll forward to the next year(s), which is required by the legislature and the final levied amount is less than the previous year. Lutz motioned to approve the Final 2026 Budget, seconded by Laufer. All in favor, motion carried.

With no further information to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

ATTEST
Jeri G. Schmidt, AUDITOR
Tom Geerts, CHAIRMAN

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NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE
BY SEALED BIDS

Property owned by the City of New England, located in the City of New England, Hettinger County, North Dakota, is for sale by sealed bids, more particularly described as follows:
**HOUSE, GARAGE AND LOT THAT THE CITY OWNS LOCATED AT 745 1ST AVE EAST.
Lot 12 Block 23 Milwaukee 2nd Addition**

SELLER WILL RESERVE ALL MINERALS IN AND UNDER SAID PROPERTY

Sealed bids should contain: (1) Name of Bidder, and (2) Amount of Bid.

Sealed bids are to be deposited at:
City of New England
Attn: City Auditor
9 7th Street East, PO Box 130
New England ND 58647

All sealed bids are to be delivered to the City of New England at City Hall by November 3rd, 2025 by 3:00pm MT. Any sealed bids received will be opened at the City Council meeting in the city meeting room on November 3rd, 2025 at 7:05 pm MT. Successful bidders will be notified within three days of the opening of bids via written letter. Upon acceptance of the bid, Seller and successful bidder will enter into a purchase agreement outlining the conditions of the sale. Questions can be directed to City Hall.

SELLER RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL BIDS.

SELLER RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CORRECT AND DEFICIENCIES WITH THE LEGAL DESCRIPTION PRIOR TO CLOSING.

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MEDORA CRAFT FAIR

25TH OCT 2025

9 - 4 PM

SHOPPING & ACTIVITIES
THROUGHOUT MEDORA
ALL WEEKEND

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