

NORTH BORDER PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT

August 17, 2026

SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

A Regular Meeting of the North Border Public School Board was held on Monday, August 17, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at North Border - Pembina. Members present: DeWilliam Moore, Kirk Morrison, Shannon Cosley, Joel Smith, Nick Chaput, Jared Hanson, and Heather Duerre. Others present: Superintendent of Schools Berry, Principal Hope, Principal Muhonen, Principal Robideaux, Business Manager Trupe, and guests: Marcia Halldorson and Katharine Olson.

Members Absent: none

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Chaput at 6:01 p.m.

Ms. Duerre motioned to approve the agenda as amended; seconded by Mr. Moore. A roll call vote was taken; the motion passed unanimously.

The board discussed coming up with a monitoring calendar. No motion was made.

Public Participation: none

Ms. Cosley motioned to approve the Consent Agenda including the regular meeting minutes of July 15, 2026, the July bills and financials, the summer 2026 shredding, the district financial report for FY26, the hiring of

Sandy Laxdal – PT Assistant Principal (P), and Michelle Helland – Assistant Custodian (P). Mr. Morrison seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken; motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Duerre motioned to discuss the items for discussion and possible action. Mr. Morrison seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken; the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Cosley motioned to accept the Rural Health Grant and write an addendum of contract to Mr. Huber to teach zero period weightlifting in Walhalla. Mr. Hanson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken; the motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Cosley motioned to accept the final changes in the coaches and certified handbook. The motion was seconded by Ms. Duerre. A roll call vote was taken; motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Cosley motioned to have a board retreat on September 16 at 6:00 p.m. at the Walhalla Country Club. Mr. Hanson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken; motion passed unanimously.

The board discussed some revisions to the 26-27 budget. The final budget will be discussed at the September regular meeting. No motion was made.

Ms. Duerre motioned to accept the Kittson Central tuition agreement as presented. Mr. Smith seconded the

motion. A roll call vote was taken; motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Berry reported on: Infinite Campus, agenda for PD, thanks to admin/office staff for helping with everything for back to school, bleacher project and the epoxy for the floor, the gym floors, and the Pembina football scoreboard.

Principal Muhonen reported on: current enrollment, staffing, and first football game of the year.

Principal Hope reported on: Infinite Campus, technology set up for intra-district classes, and football and volleyball seasons kicking off.

Principal Robideaux reported on: LRSE support staff and getting ready for new teacher PD on August 20.

Ms. Cosley motioned for the next board meeting to be held on September 21, 2026, at 6:00 pm in Walhalla and to have a finance committee meeting at 5:30 p.m. in Walhalla on the same night. Mr. Morrison seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken; motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

ATTEST:

Nick Chaput, President
Kendra Trupe, Business Manager

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