

ELGIN/NEW LEIPZIG

School Board Proceedings

ELGIN/NEW LEIPZIG PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 49 SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES

October 14, 2025
Elgin/New Leipzig Public School, Elgin
Unofficial until board approved

Board members: Amanda Petrick, Randy Fischer, Andy Rosin, Chris Zimmerman, Robert Mead, Lamont Gaugler, Chad Gappert; Superintendent Sherlock Hirning, HS Principal Terry Bentz, Elementary Principal Joe Kolosky, Business Manager Gayle Beyer, Press Luann Dart

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll call - Board members present: R. Fischer, C. Zimmerman, A. Rosin, C. Gappert, L. Gaugler, R. Mead - A. Petrick arrived at 7:03

26-10-01: Gappert motioned with a second from Zimmerman to adopt the agenda - Motion carried, 7-0

Public Comments: Shelley Ackerman discussed the backpack program with Youth Alliance. Mrs. Ackerman will reach out to donors and will try to have something to report at next meeting.

26-10-02: Rosin motioned with a second from Gappert to approve 9/17/25 meeting minutes - Motion carried, 7-0.

26-10-03: Mead motioned with a second from Gappert to accept the Financial Report as presented - Motion carried, 7-0.

Review list of bills presented for payment:

ACKERMAN, SHELLEY 570.98
ADVANCED BUSINESS 2,641.18
BENTZ, TERRY 119.00
Bismarck US Foods Inc. 4,233.06
BLOCK, D'LAINEE 20.00
BRAUN DISTRIBUTING 270.72
CAPITAL CITY REST 476.49
CENEX FLEETCARD 111.99
CITY OF ELGIN 1,000.25
CORPUZ, TERESA 60.00
CORPUZ, TERESA 149.00
CUTTING EDGE CURR 475.00
DAN'S HVAC 775.11

DAN'S HVAC 243.60
ECKROTH, JILL 188.40
ELGIN TRUE VALUE 1,222.87
ETSYSTEMS INC. 1,168.00
FLINN SCIENTIFIC, INC. 64.26
FLINN SCIENTIFIC, INC. 198.08
GAS AND GEARS 36.25
GAS AND GEARS 88.90
GS PUBLISHING 1,351.36
HOFFMAN TRUCKING 3,568.06
HORACE MANN 11.25
HUBERT COMPANY 89.62
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL 1,234.87
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL 961.39
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL 27.52
KLEIN, MYRA 345.15
KLEIN, MYRA 311.40
MARCO 200.63
MARCO 2,319.04
MARCO TECHNOLOGIES 239.38
MARCO TECHNOLOGIES 9,685.03
MDU 3,352.53
MEYER, MALACHI 100.00
NDCEL 425.00
NDCEL 425.00
NDHSA 91.80
ND SPELLING BEE 99.00
ND SPELLING BEE 2,387.00
OIEN, ADDISON 20.00
PAISLEY PRINTS 816.00
PETRICK, EVA 280.00
R FAMILY MARKET 541.84
R FAMILY MARKET 1,264.25
R FAMILY MARKET 536.72
RAFTESETH, COOPER 300.00
ROTH, NOLA 30.00
SAUTER, AMBERLY 350.00
SCHROEDER, ALEXIS 145.00
SHARE CORP 361.74
SOUTH EAST EDU COOP 4,000.00
SW DISTRICT HEALTH UNIT 75.00
STEINS 491.69
SW SPECIAL EDUCATION 43,574.89
TATUM, LEXI 14.83
TRAINING ROOM, INC. 730.67
WILL, DALE 270.00
WOLF MOUNTAIN COAL, INC. 2,259.98
WRT 522.72
ZACHER, NOLA 90.00

ZACHER, NOLA 80.00

26-10-04: Gaugler motioned with a second from Rosin to approve the bills presented for payment - Motion carried, 7-0.

Principal Reports
Elementary Principal report given by Josef Kolosky. Topics discussed: Fall Interim testing began Sept 22 and went well, Artist in Residence was on Sept 17-18 - the next session will be on Oct. 30, Touch-a-Truck was a big success, Elementary Boys Basketball started, Parent-Teacher conferences are on Oct. 23, Quarter ends on Wednesday, Oct. 15 and grades will be posted, State Educators Conference is this week, Incentives for Kids started today, Cognia review planning has started, next PD Day is Nov. 10, PLC tomorrow, there will be a "fun lunch" party planned from the Lions for Halloween.

Secondary Principal report given by Terry Bentz. Topics discussed: SICC - School Improvement and Curriculum Council guidelines were reviewed to be approved at the Nov. 12th board meeting, Athletic dates were reviewed, Student-led conferences are on Oct 23, Red Ribbon Week is Oct 27-31, Finished Fall A+ Interim Assessments, A+ Summative Assessments from Spring 2025 were reviewed, Ag Education update, SICC meeting was held on Oct. 8 and will meet again in November.

Old Business
Coal Bids

Hauling and storage options - discussion about coal delivery, conveyors and storage trucks

26-10-05: Gappert motioned with a second from Zimmerman to approve the coal hauling contract with Hoffman Trucking - Motion carried, 7-0.

Elementary Handbook
Discussed the Elementary Handbook for approval.

26-10-06: Gaugler motioned with a second from Mead to approve the Elementary Handbook as presented - Motion carried, 7-0.

New Business
Contract Revision

Discussion regarding part-time teacher contract and her hours worked.

26-10-07: Mead motioned with a second from Gappert to approve a contract revision for Sharon Klein from existing .43

FTE to .5 FTE of full-time contract - Motion carried, 7-0.

NDA Assessment

Review 2024-2025 NDA assessment; 6 out of 7 classes are above state in English, 5 out of 7 are above in Math and 2 out of 3 exceeded state average in Science. Interim Tests have started.

Home School Application
25-7-8: Gaugler motioned with a second from Mead to approve a home school application for a first grade student - Motion carried, 7-0.

Paraprofessional New Hire Application was reviewed.

25-7-9: Mead motioned with a second from Gappert to approve a 2025-2026 work agreement for para, Jennifer Albert - Motion carried, 7-0.

Power Lines

Chad Gappert discussed an MDU option to bury power lines behind the high school. Waiting for a quote and timing. Will talk to an electrician to discuss additional sensors on the coal bins.

Superintendent Report

Topics Discussed: Food service inspection - 54 out of 56 items were in compliance, working on the Perkins Grant to fund equipment or software for CTE, Ag Teacher prospects, playground update; met with Dakota Playground to discuss old equipment and new slide. We will need to modify it and can repair old slide with fiberglass. We can build long-range structures in phases. The Bismarck rep will come out and plan a master plan. The city is doing an application for sidewalks. The proposal - replace sidewalk directly across the street with handicap cut-outs, replace entire sidewalk in front of the school because curb is at the wrong height. The city wants ENL to help fund the project. Preliminary cost is \$126,640. There is a council meeting on November 6.

Next meeting will be held on November 12, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.
President Fischer declared the meeting adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

/s/Randy Fischer
Randy Fischer, President
/s/Gayle Beyer
Gayle Beyer,
Business Manager

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Schedule of Events

Fri., Jan. 9: Varsity boys' basketball vs. Belfield at Mott, 5:00 p.m.

Sat., Jan. 10: Varsity girls' basketball at Garrison, 2:00 p.m.; JH boys' basketball at Flasher, 9:00 a.m.

Sun., Jan. 11: Open swimming 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.; Adult Water Aerobics 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Tues., Jan. 13: Varsity girls' basketball at Belfield, 5:00 p.m.; JH boys' basketball vs. New England at Mott/Regent, 4:00 p.m.; Open swimming 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Wed., Jan. 14: Adult Water Aerobics 3:30 - 4:30 and 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.; Donkey Basketball sponsored by Junior Class at Elgin, 7:00 p.m.; Artist in Residence for JH/HS.

Thurs., Jan. 15: Varsity girls' basketball vs. Bowman County at Mott/Regent, 4:00 p.m.; JH boys' basketball vs. Richardton/Taylor at Elgin, 4:00 p.m.; No open swimming; Artist in Residence for Elementary.; Open swimming, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Fri., Jan. 16: Varsity boys' basketball at South Heart, 5:30 p.m.

Breakfast Menu

Fri., Jan. 9: Caramel

rolls, juice, fruit, cereal, toast and milk.

Mon., Jan. 12: Eggs, toast, juice, fruit, cereal, toast, and milk.

Tues., Jan. 13: Pancakes, juice, fruit, cereal, toast, and milk.

Wed., Jan. 14: Breakfast wrap, juice, fruit, cereal, toast, and milk.

Thurs., Jan. 15: Biscuits and gravy, juice, fruit, cereal, toast, and milk.

Fri., Jan. 16: Assorted pastries, juice, fruit, cereal, toast, and milk.

Lunch Menu

Fri., Jan. 9: Soup and sandwich, whole wheat products, fruit and vegetables, salad bar, milk.

Mon., Jan. 12: Loaded nachos and rice and beans, whole wheat products, fruit and vegetables, salad bar, milk.

Tues., Jan. 13: Popcorn chicken, fried rice, whole wheat products, fruit and vegetables, salad bar, milk.

Wed., Jan. 14: Hot roast beef and mashed potatoes, whole wheat prouts, fruit and begetables, salad bar, milk.

Thurs., Jan. 15: Ham and scalloped potatoes, whole wheat prouts, fruit and begetables, salad bar, milk.

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ELGIN & NEW LEIPZIG SENIOR meals menu

Fri., Jan. 9: Chick- en alfredo, fettuccine noodles, corn, carrot cake, milk, coffee

Mon., Jan. 12: El- gin - Chicken sandwich, knoephla soup, cole- slaw, ice cream, milk, coffee. New Leipzig - Port roast, sweet potatoes, peas and carrots, ice cream, milk, coffee.

Thurs., Jan. 15: Ham, hashbrown cas- serole, wax beans, ap- plesauce, milk, coffee.

Fri., Jan. 16: Ham- burger stroganoff, noo- dles, carrots, cereal bar, milk, coffee.

For meal reservations in Elgin, please call Our Place Café, 584-3150 by 9:00 p.m. the day prior to the meal.

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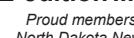
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ADVANCED BUSINESS MET 1,343.94
ASSOCIATED SUPPLY CO 27.95
ASSOCIATED SUPPLY CO 1,939.10
BENTZ, TERRY 184.00
BENTZ, TERRY 28.00
BISMARCK HOTEL AND CONF 352.00
BRAUN DISTRIBUTING 100.80
BRAUN DISTRIBUTING 36.35
CAPITAL CITY REST SUP 1,520.00

CENEX FLEETCARD 111.99
CHS, INC. 2,687.82
CITY AIR MECHANICAL INC. 4,025.00
CITY OF ELGIN 965.85
DAN'S HVAC 624.48
DICKINSON STATE UNIV 21.00
DICKINSON STATE UNIV 105.00
DICKINSON UNIVERSITY 21.00
ECKROTH MUSIC 185.00
ECKROTH MUSIC 95.00
ECKROTH MUSIC 38.97
ECKROTH MUSIC 107.00
ECOLAB PEST ELIM DIV 130.00
EGGERS ELECTRIC MOTOR 405.53
EIDO PRINTING 48.00
ELGIN TRUE VALUE 134.80
FARMERS UNION SERVICE 7,262.00
GS PUBLISHING 972.75
HOFFMAN TRUCKING 3,622.40
HORACE MANN 45.00
IXL SUBSCRIPTIONS 4,331.25
JOSTENS, INC. 200.10
JW PEPPER 35.00
KEV'S PLUMBING 681.60
KLEIN, MYRA 345.1