

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education
Tuesday, April 21, 2026

North Boone Community Unit School District #200

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education District Office

6248 North Boone School Road, Poplar Grove, IL 61065

Tuesday, April 21, 2026
6:30 p.m.

The Mission of the North Boone educational community is to provide a safe and all-inclusive environment that prepares confident students to be resilient for a future that is ever-changing.

I. Call to Order by the President

This meeting was called to order by Mrs. Schilling at 6:30 p.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call by the Secretary

Members Present: Mrs. Hutchinson, Mrs. Maxey, Mrs. Meyer, Mr. Mulholland, Mr. O'Donnell, Mrs. Schilling
Members Absent: Mr. Haverly

IV. Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Mrs. Hutchinson and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell to approve the agenda, as presented.

Discussion: (None)

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Hutchinson, Mrs. Maxey, Mrs. Meyer, Mr. Mulholland, Mr. O'Donnell, Mrs. Schilling

Nays: None

Abstention: None

Motion Carried

Audience to Visitors is a time for community members and District employees to express a point of view, not to debate an issue. There will be a sign-up card for the public to identify their name, address, phone number, name of organization represented (if any), and a brief description of the topic to be addressed. A District 200 administrative staff member will follow up within 48 hours (if requested) if the issue needs to be discussed further. Comments are limited to 5 minutes. If multiple individuals wish to address the Board on the same subject, the group is encouraged to appoint a spokesperson (See Board Policy 2:230)

V. Audience to Visitors- (None)

VI. Treasurer's Report and Financial Update

Treasurer's Report

- Monthly treasurer's report reviewed, including revenues, expenditures, and variances.
- Bank balance reconciled to zero variance with register balance.
- A monthly sheet will now be provided that details the breakdown of revenue sources provided (property taxes, sales tax, federal and state funds, fees).
- February and March identified as low revenue months due to timing of state and federal payments and tax collections.

Financial Update

- Primary Changes from February to March
 - Third State Categorical Payments: 3rd quarter payments for transportation and private facility tuition was vouchered
 - PMA Facility Tax Account: All monies were expended to cover the costs of the univent work and this account has been closed
 - CSFT- \$92,230.81 received in March (23.40%+)
 - Interest-\$41,859.94 (\$716,879.18 FY to date) 86.22% of our budgeted revenue for interest
- General Updates
 - Winnebago and Boone County Tax Extensions: Lower than our ask, but around what is anticipated
 - Prairie State Insurance Cooperative (PSIC) & Medical Insurance Updates: Medical insurance started at 36% and we've cut that in half and are working to continue to decrease this
 - Utilities, Fuel, and Non-Discretionary Supply Costs are on an increase with no anticipated decrease
 - Fiscal Year 27 Audit Preparation
 - Initial pre-work has begun
 - Improved documentation and systems
 - Fraud Survey for Board of Education Members will now be random and not every board member will receive one
- FY26 Amended Budget Update/Timeline
 - Fiscal Year 26 Amended Budget Timeline
 - May Business Services Meeting- Initial presentation of the FY 26 Amended Budget
 - May Board of Education Meeting- Presentation of the FY26 Amended Budget
 - June Business Services Meeting- Any adjustments or changes are presented to the Business Services Committee prior to the public hearing at the June Board of Education meeting.
 - Pending Board approval, the timeline for budget adoption will continue as follows:
 - May 13, 2026 -Administration publishes public hearing notice
 - June Board of Education Meeting- Board will hold a public hearing on and vote on the adoption of the Amended Fiscal Year 2025-2026 budget
 - By June 30, 2026 budget is filed with all parties and posted on the District website

- Working Cash Interest Transfer
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 - Per 105 ILCS 5/20-5, interest gained in Fund 70- Working cash, may be transferred, without repayment, to any Fund the District determines is most in need.
 - Rationale: PTELL and Fund 80- Tort
 - As a PTELL District, we are limited in our ability to levy in Fund 80- Tort without impacting other Fund revenues. As costs have risen related to worker's compensation and liability insurance, our revenue has not kept pace.
 - Recommendation & Timeline
 - Designate interest gained in Fund 70-Working Cash for both fiscal year 2025 and 2026 and make a one-time, permanent transfer to Fund 80-Tort
 - May Board of Education Meeting: Adopt a resolution designating interest in Fund 70- Working Cash
 - June Board of Education Meeting: Adopt a resolution transferring the interest from Fund 70- Working Cash to Fund 80- Tort

VII. Committee Reports

- Policy Committee - Meeting held on April 7, 2026. Next meeting will be held in December. Date to be determined. Completed PRESS 121 updates; no further meetings expected until December unless needed.
- Business Services Committee - Meeting held on April 14, 2026. Discussed solution tree contract, athletic trainer extension, group 2 E-Rate purchase, and other items to be presented to the board. Next meeting will be held May 5, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.
- Facility/Long Range Planning Committee - Meeting held on April 9, 2026. Welcomed new facilities director Jim Hemlock and discussed master facility planning and asphalt project. Next meeting will be held May 14, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.
- CIA Committee - Meeting held on February 25, 2026. Next meeting will be held on May 6, 2026, at 4:45 p.m.
- CTE Committee - Meeting held on March 30, 2026. Reviewed program guide and questions concerning courses. Next meeting will be held on April 23, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.

VIII. Consent Agenda

The Board, on an individual basis prior to the meeting, has reviewed all of these items. All financial reports are available for review by the public in the Business Office. Items on the Consent Agenda are considered routine and will be enacted by the Board as one motion.

- A. Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting, March 12, 2026
- B. Minutes of the Facility/Long Range Planning Committee Meeting, March 12, 2026
- C. Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, March 17, 2026
- D. Minutes of the Executive Session, March 17, 2026
- E. Minutes of the Career and Technical Education Meeting, March 30, 2026
- F. Minutes of the Policy Committee Meeting, April 7, 2026
- G. Minutes of the Facility/Long Range Planning Committee Meeting, April 9, 2026
- H. Minutes of the Business Services Committee Meeting, April 14, 2026
- I. Personnel

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- J. Title I [Parent Family Engagement Contract](#)
- K. 26-27 Consolidated District Plan

Motion made by Mrs. Meyer and seconded by Mrs. Hutchinson to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented.

Discussion: (None)

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Maxey, Mrs. Meyer, Mr. Mulholland, Mr. O'Donnell, Mrs. Schilling, Mrs. Hutchinson

Nays: None

Abstention: None

Motion Carried

IX. New Business

A. April 2026 Bills

Motion made by Mrs. Hutchinson and seconded by Mrs. Meyer to approve the April bills, as presented.

Discussion: Mrs. Hutchinson stated she had a couple of questions that were answered to her satisfaction. Mr. Mulholland asked what questions she had and she explained the report didn't give full explanations for expenses and Mrs. Moore had corrected report and answered all questions.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Meyer, Mr. Mulholland, Mr. O'Donnell, Mrs. Schilling, Mrs. Hutchinson, Mrs. Maxey

Nays: None

Abstention: None

Motion Carried

B. Solution Tree Purchase Agreement

Motion made by Mrs. Hutchinson and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell to approve the Solution Tree Purchase Agreement for professional development to be provided for the 2026-2027 school year.

Discussion: Mrs. Neri explained the contract was for two professional development days in August for administrators and teachers. The cost is \$14,200 budgeted in Fiscal Year 2027 Title II.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Mr. Mulholland, Mr. O'Donnell, Mrs. Schilling, Mrs. Hutchinson, Mrs. Maxey, Mrs. Meyer

Nays: None

Abstention: None

Motion Carried

C. Group II E-Rate Purchase

Motion made by Mrs. Hutchinson and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell to approve the purchase of two (2) updated firewalls from Heartland Business Systems with a combination of Federal Group II E-Rate funds and local district funds.

Discussion: Dr. Mullikin explained the district has been experiencing internet issues. The Group II E-Rate purchase was discussed at the business services committee meeting and recommended to be brought to the Board of Education for approval. The total cost, which includes a three-year subscription for security updates and warranty is \$138,308.99. The district will pay \$67,477.22 and Federal Group II E-Rate Funding will pay \$70,831.77.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Mr. O'Donnell, Mrs. Schilling, Mrs. Hutchinson, Mrs. Maxey, Mrs. Meyer, Mr. Mulholland

Nays: None

Abstention: None

Motion Carried

D. Athletic Trainer Contract Extension Approval

Motion made by Mrs. Meyer and seconded by Mrs. Hutchinson to approve the three (3) year extension of the contractual agreement with Precision Sports Training at the annual cost of \$100,000, as presented.

Discussion: Dr. Mullikin explained this is a 3-year contract that was approved to bring to the Board of Education by the Business Services Committee.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Schilling, Mrs. Hutchinson, Mrs. Maxey, Mrs. Meyer, Mr. Mulholland, Mr. O'Donnell

Nays: None

Abstention: None

Motion Carried

E. Intergovernmental Agreement- Senior Semester Program

Motion made by Mrs. Hutchinson and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement -Senior Semester Program, as presented.

Discussion: Dr. Cascio explained the two Intergovernmental Agreements and the Memorandum of Understanding are all standard contracts the district has with Rock Valley.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Hutchinson, Mrs. Maxey, Mrs. Meyer, Mr. Mulholland, Mr. O'Donnell, Mrs. Schilling

Nays: None

Abstention: None

Motion Carried

F. Intergovernmental Agreement – Running Start Program

Motion made by Mrs. Meyer and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement- Running Start Program, as presented.

Discussion: (None)

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Maxey, Mrs. Meyer, Mr. Mulholland, Mr. O'Donnell, Mrs. Schilling, Mrs. Hutchinson

Nays: None

Abstention: None

Motion Carried

G. Memorandum of Understanding – Dual and Articulated Credit

Motion made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mrs. Meyer to approve the Memorandum of Understanding- Dual and Articulated Credit, as presented.

Discussion: Mrs. Hutchinson inquired why one was a Memorandum of Understanding instead of all Intergovernmental Agreements. Dr. Cascio explained it is to establish there is an understanding between the High School and Institution.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Meyer, Mr. Mulholland, Mr. O'Donnell, Mrs. Schilling, Mrs. Hutchinson, Mrs. Maxey

Nays: None

Abstention: None

Motion Carried

H. Press Issue 121 Adoption

Motion made by Mrs. Meyer and seconded by Mrs. Hutchinson to adopt Press Issue 121, as presented.

Discussion: (None)

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Mr. Mulholland, Mr. O'Donnell, Mrs. Schilling, Mrs. Hutchinson, Mrs. Maxey, Mrs. Meyer,

Nays: None

Abstention: None

Motion Carried

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I. Overnight Field Trip- FFA IL State FFA Convention

Motion made by Mrs. Hutchinson and seconded by Mrs. Meyer to approve the Overnight Field Trip for FFA IL State FFA convention, as presented.

Discussion: (None)

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Mr. O'Donnell, Mrs. Schilling, Mrs. Hutchinson, Mrs. Maxey, Mrs. Meyer, Mr. Mulholland

Nays: None

Abstention: None

Motion Carried

J. Master Facilities/Long Range Plan Proposal/Contract

Motion made by Mrs. Hutchinson and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell to have Richard L. Johnson/GMB perform the Long-Range Planning Study, as presented.

Discussion: It was shared this Proposal/Contract was vetted by Facilities Long-Range Planning Committee first and then by the Business Services Committee. Both Committees recommended to be brought to the Board of Education for vote.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Schilling, Mrs. Hutchinson, Mrs. Maxey, Mrs. Meyer, Mr. Mulholland, Mr. O'Donnell,

Nays: None

Abstention: None

Motion Carried

K. 10 Year Life/Safety Proposal/Contract

Motion made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mrs. Meyer to have Richard L Johnson/GMB perform the Ten-Year Life Safety Survey on all school buildings, as presented.

Discussion: It was shared this Proposal/Contract was vetted by Facilities Long-Range Planning Committee first and then by the Business Services Committee. Both Committees recommended to be brought to the Board of Education for vote. Mr. Mulholland verified summer school would be at Poplar Grove Elementary and there would be a work around while the students were in session.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Hutchinson, Mrs. Maxey, Mrs. Meyer, Mr. Mulholland, Mr. O'Donnell, Mrs. Schilling

Nays: None

Abstention: None

Motion Carried

L. Joint Annual Conference

Dr. Cascio shared information regarding registration and lodging starting June 1st. He also noted a scholarship opportunity had been applied for.

M. Regular Meeting Dates for 2026-27

- Board meeting dates for 2026-27 reviewed.
- Two town hall dates added: October 15, 2026, and April 29, 2027.
- April dates aligned with elections
- No formal action taken at this time.

X. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Cascio touched on the following points:

- Focus on improving district operations, communications, and facilities.
- Upgrades planned for audiovisual systems in Board of Education room to enhance meeting quality.
- Partnership with Apptegy to develop new district website and mobile app targeted for completion by July 1.
- Installation of new security cameras and progress on softball scoreboard and asphalt projects.
- Student registration for 2026/2027 school year at approximately 86%, ahead of prior years.
- Ongoing work to enhance career and technical education programs
- Completed certified administrator evaluations with positive feedback.
- Welcomed new facilities director Jimmy Helmick.
- Negotiations ongoing with NBESS.
- Highlighted community engagement at Capron Elementary Art Fair and regional committee participation.
- Strategic planning sessions scheduled for June 26 and 27 to guide district priorities.

XI. Executive Session

Motion made by Mrs. Hutchinson and seconded by Mr. O'Donnell to go into executive session to discuss Negotiations at 7:20 p.m.

Motion Carried by unanimous consent

Motion made by Mr. O'Donnell and seconded by Mrs. Meyer to come out of executive session at 7:43 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Mrs. Maxey, Mrs. Meyer, Mr. Mulholland, Mr. O'Donnell, Mrs. Schilling, Mrs. Hutchinson

Nays: None

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Abstention: None

Motion Carried

XII. Recommendations from Executive Session- (None)

XIII. Information Only

A. FOIA Log

B. Enrollment

C. Student Activity Fund Reports

XIV. Adjournment

Motion made by Mrs. Meyer and seconded by Mrs. Hutchinson to adjourn at 7:44 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Mr. Mulholland, Mr. O'Donnell, Mrs. Schilling, Mrs. Hutchinson, Mrs. Maxey, Mrs. Meyer

Nays: None

Abstention: None

Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned.