ELKHORN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 12, 2026

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Elkhorn Public Schools Board of Education was called to order at 6:30 PM. Members present: A. Parks, J. Shatel, S. Ringenberg, N. Rogic-Greufe, and M. Wortman. R. Vokt, was absent. President A. Parks noted that the meeting was governed by the Open Meetings Act, a copy of which is posted in the Board Room of the District Office. Advance notice of the Board meeting was published in the Omaha World Herald on October 6, 2026.

The meeting began with offering public comment. During the "Good News Report," M. Wortman recognized Nithil Palsamy, a current 8th grader at EVVMS, who was selected as one of the Top 300 Innovators in the 2026 Thermo Fisher Scientific Junior Innovators Challenge, a premier middle school STEM competition! Congratulations to Nithil on this national academic recognition! Additionally, congratulations to the following members of the EPS Class of 2027 who were among 16,000 students nationwide named National Merit Semifinalists: Jayanth Athipatla, Joseph Bernhard, Noah Detloff, Noelle Dutoit, Sebastian Goeller, Chloe Graham, Lincoln Haussler, Bradley Hildebrand, Drona Jayanti, Niharika Kandari, Sai Kolli, Vyomah Kulkarni, Morgan Lavin, John Lorimor, Arielle Oarhe, Jake O'Connor, Iyla Stowe, Ronna Tu, and Lucy Zhu. Finally, as a member of the Ponca Tribe, Iron Bluff 1st Grade teacher Maci Schott previously attended the White House Tribal Youth Gathering. As a result, Ms. Schott's statement has earned a place in history with its inclusion in the Obama Presidential Library!

It was moved by M. Wortman and seconded by N. Rogic-Greufe to approve the Consent Agenda items including: approval of agenda, approval of Minutes for Monday, September 14, 2026, Minutes of a Special Board Meeting on September 17, 2026, and approval of October bills for payment.

VOTE: A. Parks - yes; S. Ringenberg – yes; M. Wortman – yes; J. Shatel – yes; N. Rogic-Greufe - yes

It was moved by S. Ringenberg and seconded by J. Shatel to approve the release of contract for Laney Hoag, effective January 3, 2027. Additionally, approve the release of contract for Taylor Frankowski, effective immediately.

VOTE: N. Rogic-Greufe – yes; A. Parks - yes; S. Ringenberg – yes; M. Wortman – yes; J. Shatel – yes

It was moved by J. Shatel and seconded by N. Rogic-Greufe to approve the District Option Enrollment Capacity Resolution as presented for the 2027-28 school year as required by Neb. Rev. Stat. § 79-238(1).

VOTE: A. Parks - yes; S. Ringenberg – yes; M. Wortman – yes; J. Shatel – yes; N. Rogic-Greufe – yes

It was moved by S. Ringenberg and seconded by J. Shatel to approve updates to Policy 605.02 – High Ability Learner and Policy 502.09 – Exchange Students.

CARRY-OVER MOTION

The Board heard a presentation update on a Strategic Plan Goal related to school safety.

The Board adjourned the meeting at 7:19 PM. The next Regular Monthly Meeting of the Board is scheduled for Monday, November 9, 2026, at 6:30 PM, in the Board Room at the District Office, 20650 Glenn Street, Elkhorn, NE 68022.