

MINUTES OF THE
CENTRAL CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
April 20, 2026

The Central City Board of Education met at 8:00 p.m., on Monday, April 20, 2026 in the Central City High School Conference Room at 1510 28th Street in Central City, NE 68826.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call showed the following members present: Brian Buhlke, Aaron Heins, Chuck Homolka, Brent Kennedy, Lisa Wagner, and Brett Zikmund. Also present: Jeff Jensen, Superintendent; Absent: None.

It was moved by Buhlke, seconded by Kennedy, that it is hereby determined that this meeting was preceded by advanced notice by publishing in the Republican Nonpareil and by posting notices at the Superintendent's Office, Merrick County Courthouse and City Hall Office and is hereby declared to be duly convened in open session and a copy of the agenda is posted in the Superintendent's Office. Motion carried 6-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None.

The school district treasurer's financial report disclosed a reconciled unencumbered balance of \$5,384,897.46 as of March 31, 2026.

The high school activities fund account disclosed a balance on March 31, 2026 of \$263,195.74, middle school activity fund disclosed a balance of \$19,033.36, and the elementary activity fund disclosed a balance of \$18,151.34 The cafeteria account disclosed a balance of -\$1,101.92.

It was moved by Buhlke, seconded by Kennedy, to approve the agenda of the meeting. Motion carried 6-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None.

It was moved by Kennedy, seconded by Buhlke, to approve the consent agenda action items, which include minutes from March 16, 2026, Work Session Minutes from April 13th, 2026, financial review of funds, and April claims with the exception of claim #38209. Motion carried 6-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None.

It was moved by Buhlke, seconded by Kennedy, to approve claim #38209. Motion carried 5-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Abstain: Heins. Absent: None.

The Board Reviewed policies 3040, 3041, 3042, 3049, and 3054 with no changes.

It was moved by Heins, seconded by Zikmund, to approve the contract of Jessi Owen, High School, for the 2026-2027 School Year. Motion carried 6-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None.

It was moved by Buhlke, seconded by Homolka, to approve Classified Wages with a 3% Salary increase and change in insurance reimbursement for the 2026-2027 School Year. Motion carried 6-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None.

The Board discussed, with no action, the impact of a property valuation settlement with Merrick County.

It was moved by Kennedy, seconded by Homolka, to set regular board meeting for Wednesday, May 13th, 2026 at 8p.m. Motion carried 6-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None.

It was moved by Zikmund, seconded by Kennedy, to recognize: Veterans' of the Community Mike Munn & Tom Richardson, Ellie Cervený for her dedication, Andy Vaughn Skills USA National Qualifier, Claire Blomstedt 6th Place State Serious Prose, Girls Basketball Awards of Hope Paup (All-Heartland Captain & 1st Team, All-Conference First Team), Sydni Homolka (2nd Team All-Heartland, All-Conference 1st Team), Journi Schindler (Third Team All-Heartland, All-Conference 2nd Team), Reagan Fousek (All-Conference Second Team), Boys Basketball Awards of Karter Negus (2nd Team All-Heartland, All-Conference 1st Team, All-State HM), Kayden Morner (All-Conference 2nd Team, All-State HM). Motion carried 6-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Meeting adjourned at 8:36p.m.

I, the undersigned Secretary of the Central City Board of Education, hereby certify that the foregoing minutes is a true and correct representation of the meeting of the Central City Board of Education held in open session on April 20, 2026. Dated this 20th day of April, 2026.

Respectfully Submitted,

Aaron Heins, Board Secretary