

MINUTES OF THE
CENTRAL CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION
September 21, 2026
Budget Hearing

The Central City Board of Education met at 8:00 p.m., on Monday, September 21, 2026 in the Central City High School Conference Room at 1510 28th Street in Central City, NE 68826.

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 Homolka, 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.

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

This is a hearing for the budget.

Meeting adjourned at 8:21p.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 September 21, 2026. Dated this 21st day of September, 2026.

Respectfully Submitted,

Aaron Heins, Board Secretary

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Tax Request Hearing

The Central City Board of Education met at 8:21pm, on Monday, September 21, 2026 in the Central City High School Conference Room at 1510 28th Street in Central City, NE 68826.

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 Heins, 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.

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

This is a hearing for the tax request.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30p.m.

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The Central City Board of Education met at 8:30 p.m., on Monday, September 21, 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.

It was moved by Homolka, 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 \$5,289,580.44 as of August 31, 2026.

The high school activities fund account disclosed a balance on August 31, 2026 of \$356,417.19, middle school activity fund disclosed a balance of \$17,863.23, and the elementary activity fund disclosed a balance of \$17,503.12. The cafeteria account disclosed a balance of \$29,336.59.

It was moved by Homolka, seconded by Zikmund, 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 Heins, seconded by Buhlke, to approve the consent agenda action items, which include minutes from August 17, 2026, financial review of funds, and September claims with the exception of claim #38508. Motion carried 6-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None.

It was moved by Buhlke, seconded by Zikmund, to approve claim #38508. Motion carried 5-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: Kennedy.

The Board Reviewed policies 4013, 4015, 4016, 4018, and 4020 with no Changes.

It was moved by Buhlke, seconded by Zikmund, to approve the 2026-2027 Fiscal Year Budget. Motion carried 6-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None.

It was moved by Kennedy, seconded by Homolka, to approve the Resolution to Increase the District's Base Growth Percentage by up to an additional six Percent. Motion carried 6-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None.

It was moved by Heins, seconded by Buhlke, to approve the 2026-2027 School Year Tax Request Resolution for Central City Public Schools. NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that (1) the Tax Request for the General Fund should be, and hereby is at \$9,382,475.00 (2) the Tax Request for the Bond Fund should be, and hereby is set at \$555,556.00 (3) the Tax Request for the Special Building Fund should be, and hereby is set at \$808,081.00 and (4) the Tax Request for the Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund should be, and hereby is set at \$0. 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 the Resolution on School District Standards for Acceptance and Rejection of Option Enrollment Applications. 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 Resolution to Join the Nebraska Educational Building Association and to Appoint the Superintendent as the District's Representative. Motion carried 6-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None.

The Board discussed, but took no action, on 2027-2028 Certified Staff Negotiations.

It was moved by Kennedy, seconded by Buhlke, to support building improvements to Kernel Field by providing labor, direction, and fiscal support of constructing a new backstop and minor additional improvements. Motion carried 6-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None.

It was moved by Heins, seconded by Zikmund, to set regular board meeting for October 19th, 2025 at 8:00p.m. 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 recognize: Veterans of the Community - Jim Boroviak and Kip Lenhart, Micah Hesterman for his work with Grandparents Day, and the new Digital Media classes. Motion carried 6-0. Ayes: Buhlke, Heins, Homolka, Kennedy, Wagner, and Zikmund. Nays: None. Absent: None.

Meeting adjourned at 8:46p.m.

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