BOE Working Meeting | Wednesday, October 8, 2025 | 6:30 PM
The Cardinal Welcome Center Zoom Room | 930 Main Ave | Crete, NE 68333

**MEETING NOTES**

1. **Call to Order, Announce Location of Open Meetings Act**

TIME: 6:30 PM

**McDowell, Beck, Hinz, Louch, Nickel, Banos, Homestead Lawn & Snow**

| Present | Absent |
|---|---|
| ☑ Michaela Conway | ☐ Michaela Conway |
| ☑ Greg Hollman | ☐ Greg Hollman |
| ☑ Vince Krejci | ☐ Vince Krejci |
| ☑ Justin Kuntz | ☐ Justin Kuntz |
| ☑ Greg Mach | ☐ Greg Mach |
| ☑ Scott Piening | ☐ Scott Piening |

2. **Mission Statement**

The Mission Statement was read by Dr. McDowell.

3. **Public Forum**

There was no public comment at this meeting.

4. **Agenda Items**

   a. **2025-2026 Property Tax Request Resolution**

Dr.McDowell presented the Board with the final Property Tax Ask. Board members Conway & Hollman attended the “Pink Card” meeting where they received good feedback from the community as well as were able to answer questions community members had regarding the tax ask. The Board also received information on anticipated funding for the 2026-2027 fiscal year. The district has been asked to reduce budgeted spending and it is already paying off.

**Motion #69-25: Approve the tax resolution 25-02 as prepared and attached.**

| First | Second | Yay | Nay | Absent |
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| ☐ Michaela Conway | ☐ Michaela Conway | ☑ Michaela Conway | ☐ Michaela Conway | ☐ Michaela Conway |
| ☑ Greg Hollman | ☐ Greg Hollman | ☑ Greg Hollman | ☐ Greg Hollman | ☐ Greg Hollman |
| ☐ Vince Krejci | ☑ Vince Krejci | ☑ Vince Krejci | ☐ Vince Krejci | ☐ Vince Krejci |
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**b. Rotary Park/City Park Land Appraisal**

The Board was presented with an appraisal of the Rotary Park currently maintained by the City. The school currently partially owns this land. Discussion was held regarding what to do with the land. No decision was made at this time.

**c. Segra Proposal**

Dr. McDowell presented the board with a proposal to run dark fiber to the concession stand and new athletic complex. This would be funded out of the Building Fund. This would set up the area for future projects as the athletic complex continues to be built.

**d. Digital Scoreboards**

**Motion #70-25: to approve the bid dated September 25, 2025 for the new scoreboard at the new football field as presented**

| First | Second | Yay | Nay | Absent |
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| ☐ Michaela Conway | ☐ Michaela Conway | ☑ Michaela Conway | ☐ Michaela Conway | ☐ Michaela Conway |
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**e. 2025-2026 Snow Removal Contract**

Mrs. Beck presented the Board with a proposed Snow Removal Contract for the 2025-2026 School Year. Jesse from Homestead Lawn & Snow was at the meeting to answer any questions from the Board. The contract will be updated to reflect the Board's concerns and recommendations.

**f. CES Switch Replacement**

Mr. Louch presented a proposal funded by eRate for replacing 12-year-old switches at Crete Elementary School. The Board asked clarifying questions.

**g. Jindra Irrigation Bid**

Dr. McDowell presented the Board with a bid to provide irrigation to the athletic complex.

**h. Transportation Fleet Update**

Dr. McDowell provided the Board with a transportation fleet update. Due to new state regulations, four vans within the CPS Fleet will need to be replaced. Dr. McDowell has been working with Mr. Littrell, Transportation Director and Mrs. Beck, Chief of Staff and Facilities.

**i. Construction Update**

Dr. McDowell provided an update on the athletic complex construction project.

**5. Time/Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the board of education will be Monday, October 13, 2025, at 6 PM at the Cardinal Welcome Center

**6. Adjournment**

TIME: 7:50 PM

| First | Second | Yay | Nay | Absent |
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| ☐ Michaela Conway | ☐ Michaela Conway | ☑ Michaela Conway | ☐ Michaela Conway | ☐ Michaela Conway |
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**Accepted and approved by the Board of Education of Crete Public Schools on this 13th day of October, 2025.**

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President Secretary