State Board of Education Business Meeting.
Friday June 5, 2026
Nebraska Department of Education Office Building, State Board Room, 500 S 84th Street, Lincoln, NE 68508
Link to Agenda and Attachments
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Publicized notice of the business meeting was given by posting notice on the Department's website and emailed to news media requesting notification, which gave the date, time, and location of the meeting.

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING, Friday, June 5, 2026, 9:00 a.m.

1. **CALL TO ORDER –** President Elizabeth Tegtmeier called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

1.1 Roll Call

Roll Call showed the following attendance:

Deborah Neary	Elizabeth Tegtmeier	Kirk Penner (arrived 9:07 a.m.)
Kristin Christensen	Lisa Schonhoff	Liz Renner
Maggie Douglas	Sherry Jones	

Commissioner Maher was also in attendance.

1.2. President Tegtmeier led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1.3. President Tegtmeier announced the placement of the Open Meetings Act.

2. **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

(NONE)

3. **COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**

3.1. Agenda Overview and Consent Agenda Process

3.1.A. Commissioner Maher's recommendation and items to be removed from consent agenda

Agenda Item 6.7.B. was requested to be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Commissioner Maher delivered the Commissioner's report.

3.2. Strategic Plan Update

Commissioner Maher and NDE Representative Ryan Foor provided an update on the implementation of the Strategic Plan.

4. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

There was no President's report.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

5.1. Public Comment

The following individuals spoke in public comment: Doug Kagan.

5.2. Written Public Comment

There was no Written Public Comment submitted.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Kristin Christensen, second by Lisa Schonhoff to approve the Consent Agenda without agenda item 6.7.B.

Liz Renner	Yes
Maggie Douglas	Yes
Kristin Christensen	Yes
Sherry Jones	Yes
Elizabeth Tegtmeier	Yes
Kirk Penner	Yes
Deborah Neary	Yes
Lisa Schonhoff	Yes

The motion passed.

7. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

7.1. **Executive Committee** – Elizabeth Tegtmeier, Chair, reported on the meeting of the Committee.

7.2. **Budget and Finance Committee** – Kristin Christensen, Chair, reported on the meeting of the Committee.

7.2.A. Monthly Board Travel Expense Report

There was no further discussion on the item.

7.2.B. Action Item: Approve a Contract for Professional Learning for Leaders Grounded in the Science of Reading

Motion by Sherry Jones, second by Maggie Douglas to Approve a Contract for Professional Learning for Leaders Grounded in the Science of Reading.

Elizabeth Tegtmeier	Yes
Deborah Neary	Yes
Kirk Penner	Yes
Kristin Christensen	Yes
Liz Renner	Yes
Sherry Jones	Yes
Lisa Schonhoff	Yes
Maggie Douglas	Yes

The motion passed.

7.2.C. Action Item: Contract for the Nebraska Technology Initiative

Motion by Sherry Jones, second by Kristin Christensen to authorize the Commissioner to Contract for the Nebraska Technology Initiative.

Lisa Schonhoff	Yes
Deborah Neary	Yes
Kristin Christensen	Yes
Liz Renner	Yes
Sherry Jones	Yes
Maggie Douglas	Yes
Kirk Penner	Yes
Elizabeth Tegtmeier	Yes

The motion passed.

7.2.D. Action Item: Contract for DDS Medical Consultants

Motion by Maggie Douglas, second by Lisa Schonhoff to authorize the Commissioner to Contract for DDS Medical Consultants.

Maggie Douglas	Yes
Kirk Penner	Yes
Elizabeth Tegtmeier	Yes
Deborah Neary	Yes
Kristin Christensen	Yes
Liz Renner	Yes
Sherry Jones	Yes
Lisa Schonhoff	Yes

The motion passed.

7.2.E. Action Item: Contract for the Child, Program, and Family Outcomes Measurement System, Results Matter

Motion by Maggie Douglas, second by Liz Renner to Authorize the Commissioner to Contract for the Child, Program, and Family Outcomes Measurement System, Results Matter.

Liz Renner	Yes
Maggie Douglas	Yes
Kristin Christensen	Yes
Sherry Jones	Yes
Elizabeth Tegtmeier	Yes
Kirk Penner	Yes
Deborah Neary	Yes
Lisa Schonhoff	Yes

The motion passed.

7.2.F. Action Item: Approve the 2026-2027 reVISION Action Grants

Motion by Kirk Penner, second by Kristin Christensen to authorize the Commissioner to approve the 2026-2027 reVISION Action Grants.

Lisa Schonhoff	Yes
Deborah Neary	Yes
Kristin Christensen	Yes
Liz Renner	Yes
Sherry Jones	Yes
Maggie Douglas	Yes
Kirk Penner	Yes
Elizabeth Tegtmeier	Yes

The motion passed.

7.2.G. Action Item: Contract for National Student Clearinghouse

Motion by Kirk Penner, second by Liz Renner to authorize the Commissioner to contract for the National Student Clearinghouse.

Maggie Douglas	Yes
Kirk Penner	Yes
Kristin Christensen	Yes
Liz Renner	Yes
Elizabeth Tegtmeier	Yes
Lisa Schonhoff	Yes
Deborah Neary	Yes
Sherry Jones	Yes

The motion passed.

7.2.H. Action Item: Contract for Grants Management System

Motion by Kristin Christensen, second by Lisa Schonhoff to authorize the Commissioner to contract for the Grants Management System.

Deborah Neary	Yes
Elizabeth Tegtmeier	Yes
Liz Renner	Yes
Kristin Christensen	Yes
Kirk Penner	Yes
Lisa Schonhoff	Yes
Maggie Douglas	Yes
Sherry Jones	Yes

The motion passed.

7.2.I. Action Item: Adopt Mandatory Assurance Statement for Mental and Behavioral Health Services Discretionary Funding

Motion by Kristin Christensen, second by Lisa Schonhoff to adopt the Mandatory Assurance Statement for Mental and Behavioral Health Services Discretionary Funding.

Kirk Penner	Yes
Maggie Douglas	Yes
Sherry Jones	Yes
Lisa Schonhoff	Yes
Elizabeth Tegtmeier	Yes
Liz Renner	Yes
Deborah Neary	Yes
Kristin Christensen	Yes

The motion passed.

7.2.J. Action Item: Accept Mental Health Service Professional Demonstration Grant Funds and Subcontract to Fulfill Grant Requirements

Motion by Kristin Christensen, second by Maggie Douglas to accept the Mental Health Service Professional Demonstration Grant Funds and Subcontract to Fulfill Grant Requirements.

Liz Renner	Yes
Sherry Jones	Yes
Elizabeth Tegtmeier	Yes
Maggie Douglas	Yes
Kristin Christensen	Yes

Deborah Neary	Yes
Lisa Schonhoff	Yes
Kirk Penner	Yes

The motion passed.

7.2.K. Action Item: Accept School-Based Mental Health Services Grant Funds and Subcontract to Fulfill Grant Requirements

Motion by Kristin Christensen, second by Maggie Douglas to accept the School-Based Mental Health Service Professional Demonstration Grant Funds and Subcontract to Fulfill Grant Requirements.

Deborah Neary	Yes
Sherry Jones	Yes
Kristin Christensen	Yes
Lisa Schonhoff	Yes
Elizabeth Tegtmeier	Yes
Liz Renner	Yes
Maggie Douglas	Yes
Kirk Penner	Yes

The motion passed.

7.2.L. Discussion Item: State Implementation Fund Grant Application

There was no additional discussion.

7.2.M. Discussion Item: Accept the 2025 Single Audit Report

There was no additional discussion.

President Tegtmeier called for a break at 10:14 a.m. The meeting resumed at 10:25 a.m.

7.3. **Planning and Evaluation Committee Report** – Lisa Schonhoff, Chair, reported on the meeting of the Committee.

7.3.A. Action Item: Accreditation of Public and Non-Public Rule 10 School Systems for 2026-2027

Motion by Lisa Schonhoff, second by Kristin Christensen to Approve Accreditation of Public and Non-Public Rule 10 Schools Systems for 2026-2027.

Kirk Penner	Yes
Elizabeth Tegtmeier	Yes
Kristin Christensen	Yes
Deborah Neary	Yes
Maggie Douglas	Yes
Sherry Jones	Yes
Liz Renner	Yes
Lisa Schonhoff	Yes

The motion passed.

7.3.B. Action Item: Accreditation of Nebraska Educational Service Units for 2026-2027

Motion by Kirk Penner, second by Kristin Christensen to Approve the Accreditation of Nebraska's Educational Service Units for 2026-2027.

Liz Renner	Yes
Maggie Douglas	Yes
Kristin Christensen	Yes
Sherry Jones	Yes
Elizabeth Tegtmeier	Yes
Kirk Penner	Yes
Deborah Neary	Yes
Lisa Schonhoff	Yes

The motion passed.

7.3.C. Discussion Item: Approval of Educator Preparation Programs for 2026-2027

There was no additional discussion.

7.3.D. Discussion Item: Conditional Approval of New Nonpublic Rule 14 School System(s)

There was no additional discussion.

7.4. **Rules and Regulations Committee** – Maggie Douglas, Chair reported on the meeting of the Committee.

7.4.A. Report on Rules

The report on rules is linked through Sparq in Board Agenda item 7.4.A.

8. ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

6.7.B. Approve Annual Dues

Motion by Lisa Schonhoff, second by Kristin Christensen to Approve Annual Dues for the Education Commission of the State per state statute.

Liz Renner	Yes
Lisa Schonhoff	Yes
Sherry Jones	Yes
Kristin Christensen	Yes
Maggie Douglas	Yes
Deborah Neary	Yes
Kirk Penner	Yes
Elizabeth Tegtmeier	Yes

The motion passed.

Motion by Kristin Christensen, second by Maggie Douglas to Approve Annual Dues for CCSSO and NASBE.

Deborah Neary	Yes
Kirk Penner	No
Lisa Schonhoff	No
Elizabeth Tegtmeier	No
Kristin Christensen	Yes
Maggie Douglas	Yes
Sherry Jones	No
Liz Renner	Yes

The motion failed.

9. INFORMATION ITEMS AND REPORTS

Information items and reports are linked through Sparq under Board Agenda item 9.

10. GOOD OF THE ORDER

(NONE)

11. ADJOURNMENT

President Tegtmeier adjourned the meeting at 10:39 a.m.

The next meetings of the State Board of Education are scheduled for August 6-7, 2026, in Lincoln, Nebraska.