

MARCH 17, 2025

The regular meeting of the Thedford Public Schools Board of Education was called to order by President Werner at 6:00 p.m. at Thedford High School. Members present: Spencer Burk, Alison Werner, Colton Schroeder, BJ Thomas and Dixie Hoffman. Also present: Superintendent Dahlberg, recording secretary Angie Pettit, teacher Staci Holthus, constituents Brittany McLeod, Amber Stephens and visitors. Board member Dan DeNaeyer arrived at 6:02 p.m.

Hoffman moved, Burk seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried 6-0.

Burk moved, Hoffman seconded to approve the minutes of the February 17 regular meeting. Motion passed 6-0.

Hoffman moved, DeNaeyer seconded to approve general expenditures totaling \$215,776.24 and motion passed 6-0.

Burk moved, Schroeder seconded to pay hot lunch expenditures of \$14,019.89 and motion carried with a 6-0 vote.

There were no community presentations.

Teacher Staci Holthus addressed the board about para pay and passed out a pay schedule from area schools.

Music teacher Clinton Albertus informed the board that THS is hosting MNAC Music Contest on Tuesday, April 1st beginning in the morning. Public is invited to come watch, there is no cost. School will not be in session on this day.

Superintendent Dahlberg gave an administrative report. He updated the board on current legislative updates. He will be out of town the day the July board meeting is scheduled so the board meeting will be moved to Tuesday, July 15th, 2025. Mr. Dahlberg has previously hosted a community picnic on the last day of school. Werner will reach out to the board members and possibly Boosters about taking this over this year. There will be no school on Tuesday, April 1st due to THS hosting the MNAC Music Competition.

Hoffman asked if the boiler room was cleaned out to use as the tornado shelter for the grade school kids in the event of a tornado. Discussion followed.

There were no board reports. President Werner will email out committee assignments so members can report back to the whole board at meetings. Thomas will be attending a school finance meeting in Kearney.

Amber Stephens addressed the board.

There was old business discussion on the budget.

Superintendent Dahlberg presented the 2025-2026 school calendar for board approval. Discussion followed. Burk moved, Hoffman seconded to approve as recommended. Motion followed with a 6-0 vote.

Superintendent Dahlberg presented items for surplus and disposal. Discussion followed. Hoffman moved, Burk seconded to approve the list of items for Surplus and Disposal and authorize the Superintendent to arrange for the sale of the surplus items. Motion passed with a 6-0 vote.

Superintendent Dahlberg presented ESU Contracts for board approval. Discussion followed. Hoffman moved, Schroeder seconded to approve the ESU Contracts as discussed. Motion carried 6-0.

President Werner brought up adding a principal. Discussion followed. Werner and Thomas would like to encourage everyone to support our school as we begin this search. Hoffman moved, Burk seconded to authorize to add a principal position to start next school year. Motion passed with a 6-0 vote.

President Werner brought up the elementary positions and wondered if the board wanted to continue pursuing adding elementary teachers. Discussion followed. Hoffman moved, Burk seconded to authorize the Superintendent to fill one of the elementary positions posted, pending final board approval per policy. Motion carried 5-1. Nay: Thomas.

Superintendent Dahlberg presented Separation Incentive Agreements for board discussion. Discussion followed. Thomas moved, Schroeder seconded to approve the Separation Incentive Resolution as presented and motion carried with a 5-1 vote. Nay: DeNaeyer.

Hoffman and the board congratulated Bec Ray on receiving the District 6 AD of the year award.

President Werner adjourned the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

The next regular board meeting will be held on Monday, April 14th, 2025 at Thedford High School at 6:00 p.m.