

**MINUTES OF THE OVERTON PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**REGULAR MEETING**  
**August 11, 2025**  
**7:30 p.m.**

Mission Statement: *The mission of Overton Public School is to provide opportunities for everyone to be Engaged, Enlightened, and Empowered.*

**Board President called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Members Present:**

Jeffries  
Kizer  
Lassen  
Meier  
Walahoski

**Notification:** The August 11, 2025, meeting of the Overton Public School Board of Education was posted at the Overton Public School, on the Overton Public School website, Beacon Observer, Overton Post Office, and the Security First Bank.

**Open Meetings Information:** To be in compliance with LB 898, The Nebraska Open Meetings Act, Board President informed the public that a copy of the Open Meetings Law is posted near the LMC check-out counter.

**Administration Present:** Mark Aten, superintendent, Brian Fleischman prek-4 principal, and Bill Johnson 5-12 principal.

**Guests Present:** None

**Public Comments:** No Public Comments.

**Reports:** No Reports

**Communications:** Thank you.

**Other:** None

**Action Items:**

1. **Agenda:** Moved by Jeffries, seconded by Lassen to approve the agenda of the August 11, 2025, regular monthly board meeting as presented. Discussion: Discussion was limited as there were no changes made to the agenda. Motion carried 5-0. Voting Yes (5): Jeffries, Kizer, Lassen, Meier, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent (0).
2. **Minutes:** Moved by Lassen, seconded by Kizer to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2025, Student Fees Hearing, Parental Involvement, and Regular Board meeting as presented. Discussion: Discussion was limited as there were no corrections made to the minutes. Motion carried 5-0. Voting Yes (5): Jeffries, Kizer, Lassen, Meier, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent (0).
3. **Claims:** Moved by Lassen, seconded by Walahoski to pay the August General Fund bill roster in the amount \$195,841.68 and the August payroll salary and benefits in the amount of \$314,385.01. Discussion: Superintendents provide additional information on the bill roster. Motion carried 5-0. Voting Yes (5): Jeffries, Kizer, Lassen, Meier, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent (0).

4. Moved by Walahoski, seconded by Jeffries to authorize the superintendent to pay the late August bills. Discussion: Board agreed this would allow the better utilization of the current budget. Motion carried 5-0. Voting Yes (5): Jeffries, Kizer, Lassen, Meier, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent (0).
5. Moved by Meier, seconded by Walahoski to approve the employment of the classified staff for the 2025-2026 school year. Discussion. Board took the recommendation of the superintendent to approve the employment of all classified staff. Motion carried 5-0. Voting Yes (5): Jeffries, Kizer, Lassen, Meier, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent (0).
6. Moved by Jeffries, seconded by Kizer to approve the increase of the district's overall Property Tax Authority up to an additional 7% or other maximum as permitted by law. Discussion. The approval of this item would allow the board to access the needed the property tax authority to meet the increased costs. Motion carried 5-0. Voting Yes (5): Jeffries, Kizer, Lassen, Meier, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent (0).
7. Moved by Jeffries, seconded by Walahoski to approve the resignation of Jacob Olmstead from the Board of Education. Discussion: Jacob residency is now outside the school district, and he is no longer eligible to serve on the board. Motion carried 5-0. Voting Yes (5): Jeffries, Kizer, Lassen, Meier, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent (0).
8. Moved by Jeffries, seconded by Walahoski to authorize the superintendent of his/her designee to dispose of all obsolete equipment, furniture, books, curriculum, and materials in the most favourable manner to the district in accordance with all laws, rules, and regulations. Discussion: This will allow the superintendent to dispose of the obsolete materials in an efficient manner. Any school items that are sold will still need board approval. Motion carried 5-0. Voting Yes (5): Jeffries, Kizer, Lassen, Meier, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent (0).
9. Moved by Lassen, seconded by Jeffries to adjourn the meeting at 9:31 p.m. Discussion. Very little discussion as the board determined it was time to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0. Voting Yes (5): Jeffries, Kizer, Lassen, Meier, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0). Absent (0).

#### **Board Reports and Discussion Topics:**

##### **1. Board Reports:**

- a. Transportation: The district does not have a bus that qualifies for the propane grant.
- b. Curriculum: No Report
- c. Facilities: No Report
- d. Negotiations: No Report
- e. Interlocal Committee: No Report
- f. Committee on American Civics: No Report

##### **2. Discussion Topics:**

- a. September Board Meeting Date and Time: Monday, September 8, 2025, beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the LMC.
- b. August Financial and Budget Review.
- c. Reviewed Board Policy 5054 Bullying.
- d. Board Member Replacement Process and Timeline
- e. PTO Program

#### **Administrative Reports:**

##### **Prek-4 Principal Report:**

- a. Calendar of Events
- b. Enrollment Update
- c. Junior High Sports Update

**Grades 5-12 Principal Report:**

- a. 2025-2026 Handbook Updates
- b. Social Media Update

**Superintendent's Report:**

1. Enrollment Option Report
2. Option Enrollment -
  - Out: a. None
  - In: a. None
  - b.
  - c.
  - Change of Status: a. None
3. Financial Information & Update
4. Financial Update
5. ALICAP Insurance Cost Comparison
6. Budget Review