

MINUTES OF THE OVERTON PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
March 9, 2026
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:

Brennan
Jeffries
Kizer
Lassen
Meier
Walahoski

Notification: The March 9, 2026, meeting of the Overton Public School Board of Education was posted at the Overton Public School, on the Overton Public School website, The Lexington Clipper Herald, 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 Pres-4 principal, and Bill Johnson 5-12 principal.

Guests Present: J.D. Ourada

Public Comments: None

Reports: None

Communications: Resignation (1)

Other:

- a. None

Action Items:

1. **Agenda:** Moved by Lassen, seconded by Jeffries to approve the agenda of the March 9, 2026, regular monthly board meeting as presented. Discussion: Discussion was limited as there were no changes made to the agenda. Motion carried 6-0. Voting Yes (6): Brennan, Jeffries, Kizer, Lassen, Meier, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0).
2. **Minutes:** Moved by Kizer, seconded by Lassen to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2026, as presented. Discussion: Discussion was limited as there were no corrections made to the minutes. Motion carried 6-0. Voting Yes (6): Brennan, Jeffries, Kizer, Lassen, Meier, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0).
3. **Claims:** Moved by Brennan, seconded by Jeffries to pay the March General Fund bill roster in the amount \$56,251.86 and the March payroll salary and benefits in the amount of \$345,615.08. Discussion: Superintendent provided additional information on the bill roster. Motion carried 6-0. Voting Yes (6): Brennan, Jeffries, Kizer, Lassen, Meier, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0).

4. Moved by Jeffries, seconded by Lassen to accept Jordan Stutheit's letter of resignation effective the end of the 2025-2026 school year: Mrs. Stutheit has met board policy on the timing of a resignation. No further discussion was needed. Motion carried 6-0. Voting Yes (6): Brennan, Jeffries, Kizer, Lassen, Meier, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0).
5. Moved by Lassen, seconded by Kizer to approve the teaching contract with Jacqueline Cahoy beginning in the 2026-2027 school year. The administration recommended the board approve the contract. Discussion: The board accepted the administration recommendation, and no further discussion was needed. Motion carried 6-0. Voting Yes (6): Brennan, Jeffries, Kizer, Lassen, Meier, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0).
6. Moved by Brennan, seconded by Jeffries to approve the teaching contract with Bryce Harrington beginning in the 2026-2027 school year. The administration recommended the board approve the contract. Discussion: The board accepted the administration recommendation, and no further discussion was needed. Motion carried 6-0. Voting Yes (6): Brennan, Jeffries, Kizer, Lassen, Meier, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0).
7. Moved by Brennan, seconded by Kizer to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m. Discussion. Very little discussion as the board determined it was time to adjourn. Motion carried 6-0. Voting Yes (6): Brennan, Jeffries, Kizer, Lassen, Meier, and Walahoski. Voting No: (0).

Board Reports and Discussion Topics:

1. Board Reports:

- a. Transportation: No Report
- b. Curriculum: No Report
- c. Facilities: No Report
- d. Negotiations: No Report
- e. Interlocal Committee: A meeting needs to be scheduled.
- f. Committee on American Civics: Public input meeting scheduled for April 13, 2026, beginning at 7:15 p.m. in the LMC.
- g. Board Members Meier and Lassen attended NASB meeting in Kearney. Report was provided by both members.

2. Discussion Topics:

- a. April Board Meeting Date and Time: Monday, April 13, 2026, beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the LMC.
- b. NASB Calendar of Events
- c. Graduation Ceremony
- d. Strategic Plan with Project Summary
- e. Reviewed and Discussed Board Policy 5001 Compulsory Attendance and Excessive Absenteeism

3. Board Policy Review Schedule: 3000 Series

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| 3007 | Review of Bills |
| 3008 | Gifts, Grants, and Bequests |
| 3009 | Audit |
| 3010 | Insurance |
| 3011 | Transportation |
| 3012 | School Meal Program and Program Charges |
| 3013 | Emergency Closings |

Administrative Reports:

Prek-4 Principal Report:

- a. Upcoming School Activities
- b. Uniform Purchase Schedule

Grades 5-12 Principal Report:

- a. Cell phone handbook changes for grades 5-8 and 9-12

Superintendent's Report:

- 1. Enrollment Option Report

Option Enrollment:

Out:

- a. None

In:

- b. None

Change of Status:

- a. None

- 2. Financial Update
- 3. Budget Review
- 4. Strategic Plan with Project Summary
- 5. State Aid Certification
- 6. Structural Engineer to Provide Update on the 1924 Building