

**Kaleva Norman Dickson School District  
Board of Education Meeting  
Brethren Media Center  
June 9, 2025  
7:00 PM**

**Members Present:** President, Arthur Fraly; Vice President; Eric Schmidt, Secretary, Jessica Ward; Treasurer, Megan Zupin, Trustees, Jenna Mahoney and Chad Wardie

**Members Absent:** Trustee, Kris Flaherty

**CALL TO ORDER**

Board President Arthur Fraly called the General Fund Budget Meeting to order at 7:00 PM in the Brethren Media Center.

Kris Mauntler, Finance Director, presented the General Fund Budget Hearing.

Moved by Schmidt, supported by Zupin to adjourn the hearing at 7:10 PM.

Arthur Fraly called the regular meeting to order at 7:10 PM.

**AGENDA**

The agenda was adopted as presented.

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION**

Erik Kinzinger introduced himself to the board and explained his role in the building.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

The Arts and Culture Alliance of Manistee County  
Gore Resignation  
Veith Resignation

**BOARD REPORTS**

Cody Jensen and Kile Charnes honored Students of the Month and presented the Principal's Report.

Jason Kemler presented the Athletic Report.

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Personnel  
MHSAA Agreement  
Superintendent Contract  
Teacher Effectiveness Ratings  
Zero Mill Bond Discussion  
NMSLA

**BUSINESS ITEMS FOR ACTION**

Moved by Zupin, supported by Wardie, that the Consent Calendar Items B,C, D, E, F, & G be approved as presented; carried 6-0.

Moved by Zupin, supported by Wardie, to approve the checks and amounts as presented; carried 6-0.

Moved by Zupin, supported by Wardie, that the minutes of the regular business meeting held May 12, 2025, be approved as presented; carried 6-0.

Moved by Zupin, supported by Wardie, that the minutes of the special business meeting held May 12, 2025, be approved as presented; carried 6-0.

Moved by Zupin, supported by Wardie, that the minutes of the closed business meeting held May 12, 2025, be approved as presented; carried 6-0.

Moved by Zupin, supported by Wardie, to adopt the 2024/2025 Closeout Budgets for the General, Food Service and Trust & Agency Funds as presented; carried 6-0.

Moved by Zupin, supported by Wardie, to set the general fund, non-homestead tax levy at 18 mills; carried 6-0.

Moved by Zupin, supported by Wardie, to set the debt return tax levy at 3.4 mills; carried 6-0.

Moved by Zupin, supported by Wardie, to adopt the 2025/2026 Opening Budgets for the General, Food Service and Trust & Agency Funds as presented; carried 6-0.

Moved by Schmidt, supported by Ward, to hire Michael Banyas, 6th Grade Teacher, beginning the 2025-26 school year, as recommended; carried 6-0.

Moved by Ward, supported by Wardie, to hire Donna Dege, Early Start - Tutoring/Homework Paraprofessional, beginning the 2025-26 school year, as recommended; carried 6-0.

Moved by Wardie, supported by Schmidt, to hire Erik Kinzinger, Early Start - Tutoring/Homework Paraprofessional, beginning the 2025-26 school year, as recommended; carried 6-0.

Moved by Zupin, supported by Mahoney, to hire Tiffany Mackey, At-Risk Elementary Aide, beginning the 2025-26 school year, as recommended; carried 6-0.

Moved by Ward, supported by Schmidt, to hire Amy Richardson, Early Start- Tutoring/Homework Paraprofessional, beginning the 2025-26 school year, as recommended; carried 6-0.

Moved by Mahoney, supported by Zupin, to accept the resignation of John Gore, Title I Aide, effective June 11, 2025, as presented; carried 6-0.

Moved by Wardie, supported by Schmidt, to accept the resignation of Lacey Veith, MS Student Council, effective June 30, 2025, as presented; carried 6-0.

Moved by Ward, supported by Schmidt, to approve the MHSAA Resolution as presented; carried 6-0.

Moved by Schmidt, supported by Wardie, to approve the contract for Jakob Veith, Superintendent, from July 1, 2025 - June 30, 2028 as presented; carried 6-0.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

Moved by Zupin, supported by Ward, to move into closed session at 8:02 PM for the purpose of discussing the Principal Evaluations and KNDESPA Negotiations.

<u>Roll Call Vote:</u>	<u>Ayes</u>	<u>Nays</u>
Arthur Fraly	<u>  x  </u>	_____
Eric Schmidt	<u>  x  </u>	_____
Jessica Ward	<u>  x  </u>	_____
Megan Zupin	<u>  x  </u>	_____
Jenna Mahoney	<u>  x  </u>	_____
Chad Wardie	<u>  x  </u>	_____
Kris Flaherty	_____	abs

carried 6-0.

Moved by Zupin, supported by Mahoney, to reconvene to open session at 8:33 PM; carried 6-0.

## **PRINCIPAL EVALUATION**

Moved by Ward, supported by Schmidt, that Cody Jensen, Elementary Principal/Curriculum Coach/Title I Coordinator, receives an effective evaluation as presented; carried 6-0.

## **PRINCIPAL EVALUATION**

Moved by Zupin, supported by Wardie, that Kile Charnes, 6-12 Principal, receives an effective evaluation as presented; carried 6-0.

## **KNDESPA NEGOTIATIONS**

Moved by Schmidt supported by Wardie to accept the proposed KNDESPA 2025-2028 tentative contract agreement as presented; carried 6-0.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Schmidt, supported by Mahoney, to adjourn at 9:16 PM with no objections.