

NEILLSVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING

September 22, 2025

The regular meeting of the Board of Education, School District of Neillsville, was called to order on September 22, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Meeting Room by President Sue Voigt. Present at roll call were Sue Voigt, Herman Seebandt, Deanna Heiman, Dewey Poeschel, and Paul Opelt. Also present were Administrator Corey Peterson, High School Principal Jennifer Aspenson, Middle School Principal Jesse Bernhagen, and Elementary Principal Marcy Kunze.

Notification of the meeting was sent on September 10, 2025, to the Clark County Press, Central Wisconsin Broadcasting, Neillsville City Hall, and Neillsville Public Library. A revised notification was sent on September 17, 2025, to the Clark County Press, Central Wisconsin Broadcasting, Neillsville City Hall, and Neillsville Public Library.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Deanna Heiman to approve the Consent Agenda as presented below:

- A. Minutes of the August 18, 2025, regular meeting
- B. July treasurer's report and payment of general account checks numbered 91826 through 91953, 202500001 through 202500029, 252600001 through 252600014, voiding checks #91906 for \$2,699.92, for a total of \$582,194.90; August treasurer's report and payment of general account checks numbered 89646 through 92017, 202500020 through 202500055, 252600015 through 252600031, voiding checks #91945 for \$120.00, #91946 for \$25.00, #91949 for \$25.00, #202500032 for \$481.03, #202500051 for \$3,611.08, for a total of \$654,433.31; and approval of the August and September payrolls.

Roll call: Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Herman Seebandt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

New staff members introduced themselves to the board.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the adoption of the Safe Routes to School Resolution as presented. Roll call: Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Herman Seebandt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Paul Opelt to approve registered nursing services with Jana Millis for the 2025-2026 school year as presented. Roll call: Herman Seebandt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

A building project update was presented by Building and Grounds Director Mark Spencer.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Herman Seebandt to approve the garbage disposal services contract with GFL as presented. Roll call: Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Herman Seebandt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the purchasing of the following Baird Product Services: Budget Model, Video Library, School Analytics and Training/Consulting packages for a total of \$7,000 for the 2025-2026 school year as presented. Roll call: Herman Seebandt – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Paul Opelt seconded by Dewey Poeschel to approve the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 Cross Country Co-op with Granton as presented. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Herman Seebandt –

yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Paul Opelt to approve ASL services with Sign Here Interpreting as presented. Roll call: Herman Seebandt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Paul Opelt seconded by Dewey Poeschel to approve the donation of backpacks from Clark County Economic Development Corporation and Tourism Bureau as presented. Roll call: Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Herman Seebandt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the donation of various school supplies from Atmus Filtration Technologies as presented. Roll call: Dewey Poeschel – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Herman Seebandt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Paul Opelt seconded by Dewey Poeschel to approve the monetary donation of \$1,027.41 for the new elementary playground equipment from JBC Screenprinting & Embroidery as presented. Roll call: Herman Seebandt – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Paul Opelt seconded by Dewey Poeschel to approve the monetary donation in the amount of \$200 for WBCA Memberships from Central Wisconsin Girls Basketball League as presented. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Herman Seebandt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the monetary donation of \$1,800 to the High School Softball Club from the Neillsville Area Athletic Booster Club as presented. Roll call: Paul Opelt – yes, Herman Seebandt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Paul Opelt seconded by Dewey Poeschel to approve the donation of paper towels, Kleenex, and disinfectant wipes from the Green Lantern Bar and Grill as presented. Roll call: Herman Seebandt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Marcy Kunze reported on attendance; open house; math and reading screeners; PBIS updates; Warrior of the Week; picture day; the Seal-A-Smile Program; Walk to School Day; homecoming; Wisconsin Elementary School Principal Convention; and a thank you to her staff.

Jesse Bernhagen reported on attendance; AI training for staff; new teacher in-service; open house; staffing changes; back to school updates; SEL and culture building; middle school sports; and the 6th grade field trip.

Jennifer Aspenson reported on enrollment; junior leadership retreat; senior sunrise event; and homecoming.

Transportation Director Adam Krause reported on current staffing levels; potential van pick up points where bus access is an issue; the elimination of the Hwy 10 student pick up point; and the demo of a tablet with software for bus drivers.

Corey Peterson reported on a thank you note from the Chamber of Commerce; beginning of the year updates; picture day; PickATime software for parent-teacher conferences; attendance at the superintendents' conference; last week's precautionary lockdown; third Friday student count; and the October 20th annual meeting.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Paul Opelt to go into closed session as per WI Statutes 19.85(1)(C) Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility. The purpose of the closed

session is to discuss contractual matters. Roll call: Dewey Poeschel – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Herman Seebandt – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Paul Opelt to return to open session. Roll call: Paul Opelt – yes, Herman Seebandt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Paul Opelt seconded by Dewey Poeschel to approve the resignation of Sara Ward from her teaching assistant position as presented. Roll call: Herman Seebandt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the hiring of Amber Parsons as a bus driver as presented. Roll call: Dewey Poeschel – yes, Herman Seebandt – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Paul Opelt seconded by Dewey Poeschel to approve the hiring of Daina Shilts as an Eau Claire Academy Driver as presented. Roll call: Herman Seebandt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the hiring of Greg Glisczinski as an Eau Claire Academy Driver as presented. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Herman Seebandt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Paul Opelt seconded by Dewey Poeschel to approve the hiring of Tammy Kolve for the hybrid teaching assistant/custodial position as presented. Roll call: Dewey Poeschel – yes, Herman Seebandt – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the resignation of Jamie Kuhn from his middle school volleyball coaching position as presented. Roll call: Herman Seebandt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Paul Opelt seconded by Dewey Poeschel to approve the resignation of Morgan Spencer from her assistant softball coaching position as presented. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Herman Seebandt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the hiring of Bella Opelt as the girls' middle school basketball coach as presented. Roll call: Herman Seebandt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Paul Opelt seconded by Dewey Poeschel to approve the hiring of Ashlee Diestler for the middle school volleyball coach as presented. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Herman Seebandt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Paul Opelt to approve the hiring of Morgan Spencer for the middle school softball coach as presented. Roll call: Dewey Poeschel – yes, Herman Seebandt – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Deanna Heiman – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Paul Opelt seconded by Dewey Poeschel to approve the hiring of Keith Van Dornick for the chorus extra-curricular advisor as presented. Roll call: Deanna Heiman – yes, Paul Opelt – yes, Herman Seebandt – yes, Dewey Poeschel – yes, Sue Voigt – yes. Motion carried.

WASB report was given by Corey Peterson.

CESA report was given by Deanna Heiman.

Motion by Dewey Poeschel seconded by Deanna Heiman to adjourn at 9:29 p.m. Roll call: all yes. Motion carried.