

MINUTES OF THE GIBBON BOARD OF EDUCATION
COW
REGULAR MEETING
Oct 13, 2026
1030 Court Street, Gibbon NE
High School Media Center

Present:

Scott Baker	Mike Bennett	
Jodi Bendfeldt	Kim Wadkins	Brandon Kee

Dr. Vern Fisher, Superintendent
Tina Godfrey, Elementary Principal
Josh Miller, High School Principal

Call to Order

Following the Committee of the Whole, Vice President, Kim Wadkins led the Pledge of Allegiance and called the meeting to order at 7:25 p.m.

Motion by Kee, seconded by Baker to excuse Brian Kroll.
Voting for: Wadkins, Baker, Kee Bennett, Bendfeldt
Motion carried 5-0

Reports

Superintendent Fisher shared with the board the annual Youth Football Night, Homecoming Highlights, World Language Day and a generous donation from Blue Print Engines to our CTE program.

Fisher also shared the most recent information from the School Improvement team, the Thundering Herd and Academic Achievement. The Rule 10 Accreditation Visit was held and overall it went well, Fisher shared we did have one ding on the annual report but has filed an appeal and is waiting for a response from NDE.

The finance committee met prior to the board meeting and will share more in the discussion portion of the meeting. Four members of the family have completed Threat Assessment training and four also attended the Heartland School Safety and Security Summit.

Discussion Items

The Option Enrollment Resolution was discussed and the resolution complies with policy and state statute. The finance committee has agreed to move our current CD's to the Nebraska Liquid Asset Fund when these come due, the first one of \$50,000 will be moved asap.

Superintendent Fisher read Operating Principle 9: Team Planning, Goal Setting and Accountability.

Jeff Montgomery, Assistant Principal/AD has submitted his retirement at the end of his contract.

Patron Participation

None

Moved by Bendfeldt, seconded by Kee to approve the Consent Agenda Action Items as Presented.

Voting for: Baker, Bendfeldt, Wadkins, Kee, Bennett.
Motion carried 5-0.

Moved by Baker seconded by Bennett, to approve the Option Enrollment Resolution as presented by the administration

Voting for: Wadkins, Baker, Bendfeldt, Bennett, Kee
Motion carried 5-0

Moved by Baker, seconded by Kee to accept the resignation of Jeff Montgomery, Assistant Principal/Ad

Voting for: Wadkins, Baker, Bendfeldt, Bennett, Kee

Motion carried 5-0

Motion made by Bendfeldt seconded by Bennett, to approve a resolution allowing participation in the Nebraska Liquid Asset Fund.

Voting for: Baker, Bendfeldt, Bennett, Kee, Wadkins

Motion carried 5-0

Motion made by Kee, seconded by Bendfeldt to move into closed session for a strategy session with respect to negotiations/collective bargaining clearly necessary for the protection of the public interest or for the protection of needless injury to the reputation of an individual in compliance with the law.

Voting for: Wadkins, Bennett, Bendfeldt, Kee, Baker

Motion carried 5-0

The board moved into closed session at 7:50 p.m. for a strategy session with respect to negotiations/collective bargaining clearly necessary for the protection of the public interest or for the protection of needless injury to the reputation of an individual in compliance with the law.

The board returned to open session at 8:19 p.m. following a closed session for a strategy session with respect to negotiations/collective bargaining clearly necessary for the protection of the public interest or for the protection of needless injury to the reputation of an individual in compliance with the law.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:19 p.m.