Gibbon Public Schools
Board of Education

"Together We Thrive!"

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

A regular meeting of the Board of Education will be held on the 14th day of October, 2025 in the Gibbon High School's Media Center beginning immediately after the conclusion of the Committee of The Whole Meeting. The following is the agenda for the meeting.

AGENDA

I. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Opening Procedures

A. Call to Order
B. Opening Meetings Act
C. Verification of Publication and Notification
D. Roll Call
E. Excuse Board Member's Absence

III. Correspondence

IV. Reports

A. Celebrations

Gibbon Boosters

I think that our GIbbon Boosters Club deserves a shout out. They have been exceptional and have brought so many good things already and it's been just a matter of a few short months.

Vision and passion of this group is exactly what I love to see. The interest is there, it just takes a motivated leader and we have that with Kristina!

Here is just a bit of info from Kristina in regards to membership!

There were 57 members last year: 17 businesses and 40 individual/family memberships.

We currently have 92 members: 27 businesses and 65 individual/family Memberships!

"The Gibbon Boosters Sideline Report"

Girls Golf

Coach Benge's Email - 9/17/25

Good Morning Everyone,

The girls had another amazing day yesterday (Loup City) and brought home 3 medals along with the Runner Up team plaque for the first time. Thank you for all the support



Natalie 5th Sahara 10th Bianca 13th Ximena 18th Kasey 22nd

Natalie Bendfeldt - Golf

Tied for 10th Place at the District Tournament held at Indian Head and she qualified for the Girls State Golf Championship.

Cross Country

The results of the LouPlatte Conference CC Meet hosted by Gibbon Public Schools on Tuesday 10/7.

In the girls division, medalists were:

Kaleigh Pracht - 5th
Maria Zaldana - 9th

The girls team placed 2nd overall. Other girls team members are: Amilliona Reyes, Ila Jurgens, Victoria Nissen, Haidyn McKinley and Keely Biegler.

In the boys division Gio Hernandez earned the 8th place medal. Other boys participants were Collin Pracht and Caleb Isackson.

Thank you to all the staff members who helped out.

Kealey Widdowson

Kealey Widdowson is the recipient of the Blezek Teacher Retention Award. Recipients are all agricultural education teachers in their first five years of teaching. I believe Kealey has a $1500 scholarship with opportunities to earn additional dollars in the future. Congratulations Kealey.

Gibbon Graduates

Dr. Fisher,

The link below will take you to an article about Gibbon graduate, Hernan Vargas, and an exciting experience he had this summer. I thought the Board might enjoy hearing about this at the next meeting during "good news."

Thanks,

Abby

UNK health science students gain invaluable experience through prestigious summer internships

Music - Logan Hellerich

I have a few celebrations regarding students' achievements.

There are a few students who were selected to be a part of the Best of The West Music Festival on October 27th!

Darian Hernandez on Trumpet

Valeria Simental on Flute

Korbyn Smallcomb on Tenor Saxophone

Erika Rivera on Tenor Saxophone

In addition, three students have also auditioned and qualified for the Midland Honor Choir on October 19th-20th.

Korbyn Smallcomb qualified for the Select Honor Choir and Festival Honor Choir

Ivy Noller qualified for the Treble Honor Choir

Keely Biegler qualified for the Treble Honor Choir

These students have shown great dedication and skill in their music classes!!

Brett Kluever

Brett has been asked to present at two teacher's conferences this month. The first was at the annual fall Nebraska Association of Teachers of Mathematics in October 3rd at the Younes Center in Kearney. The second one is at the WELS Dakota-Montana/Nebraska District Teachers Conference kn October 13th in Norfolk. My presentation is titled "Tech Boosted Math: Practical Tools and AI". While it focuses on Math, much of it can be applied to all subjects. This is the link to the Canva that guides the presentation. It is designed to be more of a lab where teachers try out the tools and can take between 50 minutes to an hour and a half long depending on the conference requirements.

https://www.canva.com/design/DAGyznm_ib4/qe6vUlrit-qQz8yU0NlOpQ/view?utm_content=DAGyznm_ib4&utm_campaign=designshare&utm_medium=link2&utm_source=uniquelinks&utlId=hc0cc2dce99

B. Superintendent Report

1. School Improvement

a) School Improvement Team Meeting Agenda - 9.17.25

b) Academic Achievement Team Meeting Agenda - 9.16.25

c) Thundering Herd Agenda - 9.24.25

d) ESU3 NDE/CIP Presentation - 9.24.25

e) TECH PLC

(1) Writing Across the Curriculum and AI - 10.06.25

C. Safety Audit

1. ALICAP and NDE Rule 10

D. Board Reports

1. Finance Committee - 10.14.25
2. Facilities Committee

E. Budget

1. 2025 Certified School Adjusted Value Report

V. Discussion Items

A. Option Enrollment Resolution

B. Policy

1. 718.01 Travel Costs Related to Federal Grants

C. Buffalo County Sheriff's Department

1. School Resource Officer

2. Memorandum of Understanding - November Board Meeting

D. Operating Principle 6: Handling of Concerns

Board team members acknowledge that they will be asked to become involved in specific school-related issues and pledge to handle them as follows and pledge to:

- Listen to the individual's concern.
- Explain that the board and administrative teams have established a process for handling concerns.
- Ask the person if they have discussed the issue with the person immediately responsible and direct them to that person.
- Express appreciation to the individual for presenting concern.
- Affirm the desire to reach a satisfactory solution.
- Encourage the person to follow the established process.
- Assure the person that the superintendent will be informed of a significant complaint but affirm that the chain of command MUST be followed.
- Ask the person to report back on the progress or resolution of the concern.

In the event the issue involves a complaint from an employee of the district, the team pledges to adhere to the following steps:

- Ask the staff member if they have spoken with their immediate supervisor.
- If they have met with their supervisor, inform them of their right to appeal the decision with the superintendent.
- If steps 1 and 2 have been met and the issue has not been resolved, inform the employee of the formal grievance procedure adopted by the board of education and its availability in the office of the superintendent.

E. Athletic Program - Updates

1. Football Program and Proposal

2. Soccer COOP

VI. Patron Participation

VII. Action Items

A. Consent Agenda

1. The Board of Education will discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve the consent agenda as presented by the administration.

a) Minutes - September 9, 2025
b) General Fund
c) Payroll Claims
d) Lunch Fund Claims
e) Activity Account
f) Depreciation Account
g) Transfer of Funds

B. Option Enrollment Resolution

1. The board of education will discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve the Option Resolution as presented by the administration.

a) Rationale: Policy 502.02, Non-resident/Option Enrollment stipulates that the board of education may set the numeric capacity of programs, classes, grade-levels through a resolution prior to October 15 of each school year.

C. Policy

1. The board of education will discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve policy 718.01, Travel Costs Related to Federal Grants.

VIII. Request for Closed Session

IX. Reconvene from Closed Session

X. Approval of any action deemed necessary as a result of Closed Session

XI. Adjourn

- **The Board of Education reserves the right to move into closed session at any time during the meeting to protect the public interest and/or prevent needless injury to the reputation of an individual. This is allowed through LB – 1410(1).**
- **All "Discussion Items" and "Closed Session" items may be subject to action.**
- **The Gibbon School Board of Education reserves the right to move agenda items within the agenda. Please attend the entire meeting to ensure you are present for discussion on any item placed on the agenda.**