

Minutes of Public Meeting
July 13, 2026

The New Castle Community School Board of Trustees met in the Boardroom at Community Education Center located at 322 Elliott Avenue, New Castle, IN 47362 on July 13, 2026.

Board Members Present: Seth Lee, President; Nan Polk, Vice President; Jaci Hadsell, Secretary; Josh Estelle, Member and Jamey Marcum, Member.

Central Office Administrators Present: Matthew Shoemaker, Superintendent; Adam McDaniel, Assistant Superintendent; Sherri Bergum, Curriculum Director; Joel Harvey, Attorney; Jessi Sizemore, School Support Specialist; Megan Bell, CFO Corporation Treasurer.

Also Present: Approximately 9 in person and virtual attendee community members.

- I. Call to Order by President Seth Lee at 6:30 p.m.
 - A. Roll Call - 5 board members present
 - B. Moment of silence for Jake Pasman he was a Math teacher, Athletic Director, and the NCMS Gym is named after him.
 - C. Public Comments on Agenda Items - No comments
 - D. *Approval of Amended Agenda - Jamey Marcum made a motion to approve amended agenda, with a second from Jaci Hadsell, motion carried 5-0
 - E. *Approval of Minutes
Regular Session June 8, 2026 - Jaci Hadsell made a motion to approve the minutes as presented with a second from Josh Estelle, motion carried 5-0
- II. COMMUNICATIONS/ROUTINE/CONSENT ITEMS ITEMS/REGULAR RECURRING REPORTS/OTHER
 - A. *Routine Consent Items: Approval of Reports: Travel; Monthly Personnel; Bill List; Payroll Claims; Donations; and Field Trip Requests - Jaci Hadsell requested that the personnel report be split out to pull out the superintendent contract. Seth Lee made a motion to approve Routine Consent Items minus the Personnel Report with a second from Jamey Marcum, motion carried 5-0. Seth Lee moved on to the Superintendent Contract. Jaci Hadsell made a motion to delay the vote for 1 month, no second, motion failed. Josh Estelle made a motion to approve the contract as presented with a second from Jamey Marcum, motion carried 4-1, board member Jaci Hadsell voting in the negative.
 - B. Submission of Monthly Corporation Extra-Curricular Receipt and Disbursements; and Fund Reports. No action necessary.
- III. NEW BUSINESS
 - A. Retiree Recognition
 - a. No retirees at this time
 - B. Trojan Award of Excellence

- a. Adam McDaniel - was awarded this for his work on the SIG Grant for expanding work base learning.
- C. Title Grants - Yearly Review Sherri Bergum said there are no changes at this time. She answered questions from the board about Title 1, Holly Miller is the facilitator. Title 2, this is for professional development. Title 3 is for EL Students. Title 4, is for well rounded instruction, technology, and emotional and social. At this time all Elementary Buildings are all Title 1 schools.
- D. Wellness Committee Report - Sherri Bergum said this has to be updated every 5 years, which will happen later this year. It is run by parents, students, and the health department.
- E. *Accept the bid to purchase LED panels for the Fieldhouse, Bundy Auditorium, and Neal Field - Screens will range from 12x6 to 24x12. These have the potential to earn over 50,000 in revenue for advertising a year. Josh Estelle made a motion to accept the bid, with a second from Jamey Marcum, motion carried 5-0
- F. *Approve McKinney-Vento/Foster Care District Plan- No changes from last year. Nan Polk made a motion to approve the McKinney-Vento/Foster Care District Plan with a second from Jaci Hadsell, motion carried 5-0.
- G. *Approve New Castle Virtual Handbook (K-5) & (6-12) - Jaci Hadsell made a motion to approve the New Castle Virtual Handbook with a second from Josh Estelle, motion carried 5-0
- H. *Approve Centerstone Memorandum of Understanding. Jaci Hadsell made a motion to approve Centerstone Memorandum of Understanding, with a second from Nan Polk, motion carried 5-0.
- I. *Approve "Beyond The Bell" Agreement. New after school program at the YMCA. Nan Polk made a motion to approve Beyond the Bell agreement, with a second from Josh Estelle, motion carried 5-0.
- J. *Approve Student Athletic Handbook Kim Nicholson, NCHS Principal, spoke about a few changes in the handbook. Jaci Hadsell made a motion to approve the Student Athletic Handbook with a second from Jamey Marcum, motion carried 5-0.
- K. *Approve Transportation, Food Service, and Health Services Handbooks Jaci Hadsell made a motion to approve transportation, food service, and health services handbooks, with a second from Jamey Marcum, motion carried 5-0.
- L. *2026-2027 Support Staff Pay Scale Jamey Marcum made a motion to approve support staff pay scale, with a second from Nan Polk, motion carried 5-0.
- M. *Approval of Corporation Deputy Treasurer
 - a. Was Leah Melton now is Diane Inman - Jaci Hadsell made a motion to approve, with a second from Josh Estelle, motion carried 5-0.
- N. *Approve out of state field trips - Nan Polk made a motion to approve the out of state field trips, with a second from Josh Estelle, motion carried 5-0.

IV. BUILDING/GROUNDS/TRANSPORTATION/SUPPORT SERVICES

- Career Center Roof
- LED Screens

- Multi Purpose Restrooms are able to be used
- Pathway from football field to restrooms
- Sidewalk from West parking lot to restrooms
- Eastwood has new concrete out front
- Maintenance has been painting several parking lots
- Storage barn for athletic and music department plans
- Track
- Asphalt around bleachers

V. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Camp Better Futures
- Keep Indiana Learning
- Basketball Holiday
- Dairy Queen
- Summer Maintenance

VI. BUDGET

- a. Megan Bell reported on Transfer from Education to Operations Fund

VII. PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS - no comments or questions

VIII. ADJOURNMENT - with no further questions - 7:32 p.m.

President: _____

Vice President: _____

Secretary: _____