Minutes of the November 9, 2026 Regular Board Meeting

The regular meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Korth with members: Sell, Huettner, Vering, Herchenbach, Brandl, Schemek, Baumgart and Preister present.

Open meetings act is posted in the Humphrey Public Schools Library.

The meeting was legally advertised for public notice in the Humphrey Democrat on October 28, 2026.

Visitors present: Patrick Murphy and Barbara Lovercheck with the Humphrey Democrat.

During public comment, there were no visitors requesting to speak.

The minutes from the October 12, 2026 regular board meeting were reviewed. The minutes will stand as written.

The November financial report was reviewed.

It was moved by Baumgart and seconded by Schemek to approve the November bills and claims as presented to the Board of Education. ROLL CALL VOTE: Sell, YES; Huettner, YES; Vering, YES; Herchenbach, YES; Brandl, YES; Schemek, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES; Korth, YES.

- Motion Carried: 9 – YES / 0 – NO / 0 – ABSTAIN / 0 - ABSENT

Report from Travis Albracht: Football field winterization, bus barn water meter, winter equipment, floor touchups, bus barn gutters.

Secondary Principal Report: Pre-ACT test, County Government Day, staff professional development, Humphrey-Lindsay activity updates.

Elementary Principal Report: School improvement, Veteran's Day Program, kindergarten field trip, Halloween parties, sportsmanship summit.

Superintendent Report: District audit, winter lighting project, weightroom equipment, CNA classes, reviewed NDE computer science report, H-L cooperative meeting, December bond payment, reviewed preliminary bond finance schedule for remaining bonds and lease purchase.

It was moved by Schemek and seconded by Brandl to approve the December 2026 bond fund payment as presented to the Board of Education. ROLL CALL VOTE: Sell, YES; Huettner, YES; Vering, YES; Herchenbach, YES; Brandl, YES; Schemek, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES; Korth, YES.

- Motion Carried: 9 – YES / 0 – NO / 0 – ABSTAIN / 0 - ABSENT

It was moved by Korth and seconded by Vering to approve the surplus weight equipment as presented to the Board of Education. ROLL CALL VOTE: Sell, YES; Huettner, YES; Vering, YES; Herchenbach, YES; Brandl, YES; Schemek, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES; Korth, YES.

- Motion Carried: 9 – YES / 0 – NO / 0 – ABSTAIN / 0 - ABSENT

It was moved by Huettner and seconded by Herchenbach to go into closed session of the board at 8:03pm for the purpose of discussing personnel, certified staff salaries, and negotiation updates for the 2027-2028. ROLL CALL VOTE: Sell, YES; Huettner, YES; Vering, YES; Herchenbach, YES; Brandl, YES; Schemek, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES; Korth, YES.

- Motion Carried: 9 – YES / 0 – NO / 0 – ABSTAIN / 0 - ABSENT

It was moved by Herchenbach and seconded by Sell to come out of closed session at 8:33pm. ROLL CALL VOTE: Sell, YES; Huettner, YES; Vering, YES; Herchenbach, YES; Brandl, YES; Schemek, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES; Korth, YES.

- Motion Carried: 9 – YES / 0 – NO / 0 – ABSTAIN / 0 - ABSENT

The next regular school board meeting date is Monday, December 14, 2026 @ 7:30 p.m.

It was moved by Huettner and seconded by Baumgart to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 p.m. ROLL CALL VOTE: Sell, YES; Huettner, YES; Vering, YES; Herchenbach, YES; Brandl, YES; Schemek, YES; Baumgart, YES; Preister, YES; Korth, YES.

- Motion Carried: 9 – YES / 0 – NO / 0 – ABSTAIN / 0 - ABSENT

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Julie Preister, Board Secretary