



Wednesday, January 14, 2026

Regular Meeting of the New Lebanon Central School Board of Education – JSHS Library 7:00pm

Attendance: (P=Present A=Absent)

Mike Brutsch __P__
Bill Buckenroth __A__
Racheal Chubb __P__
John Kalisz __P__
Rob Long __P__
Alex Polacinski __P__
Sharon Powers __P__

Also in attendance:

Chris Harper __P__
Matt Klafehn __P__
Josh Noble __P__
Danielle Brewster __P__
Corey Brown __P__ 7:20

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order by Board President Brutsch at 7:02pm and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/ ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS

- A. Student representative update- Prom theme chosen and date, dances, winter sports and make up game dates, regents and residential structures class.
- B. WBH update- Josh Noble presented on faculty meeting, reading incentives, perseverance.
- C. JSHS update- Matt Klafehn presented on shared decision making, faculty meeting, Twin County recovery services.
- D. Athletic update- Corey Brown presented on winter sports season, scheduling issues with weather, state committee meeting.
- E. Business Office update- Danielle Brewster presented on cameras, expenses, transfers, budget planning update.
- F. Superintendent Update- Superintendent Harper presented on new SRO, book study with administration, wbh walking at night, UPK.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Board Vice President Kalisz made the motion to approve item 4A. Board member Long seconded. 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

- A. Motion to approve the December 10, 2025 Board of Education Meeting minutes

5. CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

Board Vice President Kalisz made the motion to approve item 5A. Board member Long seconded. 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

A. Motion to approve CSE/CPSE recommendations

6. FINANCIAL

A. 2026-27 First Budget Presentation

Board Vice President Kalisz made the motion to approve items 6B-H. Board member Powers seconded. 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

B. Motion to approve the November 2025 grades 6-12 Extra-Curricular Accounts report

C. Motion to approve the December 2025 Extra-Curricular Report

D. Motion to approve the November 2025 Treasurer's Report

E. Motion to amend rates

To amend rates as per below:

IRS Mileage reimbursement rate	\$0.70
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F. Motion to approve the Second Quarter Internal Claims Audit Report

G. Motion to approve budget transfers

H. Motion to accept donations

7. PERSONNEL

Board Vice President Kalisz made the motion to approve items 7A-F. Board member Powers seconded. 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

A. Motion to accept a resignation from Anita Posnick, effective January 1, 2026.

B. Motion to accept a resignation from Jenna Jacobson effective January 18, 2026.

C. Motion to accept a resignation from Katie McKinney, effective April 5, 2026.

D. Motion to accept a resignation from Kristin Carson for the purpose of retirement, effective June 18, 2026.

E. Motion to appoint an intern from Russell Sage.

F. Motion to appoint Matteo Cesaretti as a Teaching Assistant, step 1 at a rate of \$19.19 per hour, effective January 5, 2026

8. BOARD OPEN DISCUSSION

9. PROPOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION

Board Vice President Kalisz made the motion to enter Executive Session at 8:05pm for the purpose of discussing collective bargaining. Board member Chubb seconded. 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

Board President Brutsch made the motion to appoint Superintendent Harper as Clerk Pro-Tem. Board Vice President Kalisz seconded. 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Board President Brutsch made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 pm. Board Vice President Kalisz seconded. 6 ayes, 0 nays, 0 abstained.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly McGivern

Kelly McGivern, District Clerk