

MINUTES
NORTH STAR GOVERNING BOARD
NORTH STAR CHARTER SCHOOL
REGULAR MEETING
February 26, 2026

Chairman Bryan Wheeler called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm. At roll call, Directors Wheeler, Anderson, Gregg, and Huffaker were present. Directors Van Beek, Balch, and Dumas had excused absences.

Motion to approve the agenda without objection by Chairman Wheeler. Motion passed without objection.

GOOD NEWS NORTH STAR

Shay Davis updated the board on the lottery presentations. Mrs. Davis also reported that the PBIS team attended a conference earlier in the day about behavior management.

Justin Durflinger also updated the board on the lottery presentations. He reported good conversations with families. Mr. Durflinger specified the number of students who have applied for the lottery and indicated how many students have reenrolled.

BOARD BUSINESS

2026 Election Timeline Approval

Eveleen Kearney presented the proposed 2026 election timeline. Directors Anderson, Gregg, Huffaker and Balch are up for reelection. Mrs. Kearney asked the incumbent Directors to notify the clerk of their intent to seek reelection by Thursday, March 26, 2026.

Director Anderson informed the board that she will not be seeking reelection. Directors Huffaker and Gregg notified the board that they will be seeking reelection. Director Huffaker stated she will either be seeking reelection in her current seat or be running for a parent seat.

Motion to approve the 2026 Election Timeline without objection by Director Huffaker. Motion passed without objection.

Election Commissioner

Mrs. Kearney nominated Chris Yorgason as the Election Commissioner.

Motion to approve Chris Yorgason as the Election Commissioner without objection by Director Gregg. Motion passed without objection.

Financial Update

Jonathan Gillen reported that the financial bookkeeping in 2M closed on December 31, 2025. Mr. Gillen updated the board on various adjustments and corrections to the financial statements and included various projections for different funds.

Mr. Gillen reported the implementation of Skyward is ongoing. The accounts payable and payroll set up is complete. GL codes are being imported manually. The next step will be to move the budget over and to start the process of building reports. Mr. Gillen stated that payroll was recently processed with only 3 corrections. He said the accounting team is waiting for him to input fund balances.

Mr. Gillen stated that he will likely send out a financial packet to get feedback on the customized reports. Everyone is aiming to be fully operational by March 15, 2026. Chairman Wheeler expressed his gratitude to the business team for all of their hard work and for the time they have invested.

Motion to approve the financial update by Director Anderson. Second by Director Gregg. Vote taken, all in favor. Motion passed.

Ednetics Renewal

Joanna O'Donnell reminded the board of the existing Ednetics contract. Mrs. O'Donnell presented a proposal to extend the contract another 5 years. She noted the proposal does not include an e-rate discount. The proposal is to approve \$16,200 with the potential to apply a discount of up to 20% at a later date.

Motion to approve the Ednetics Renewal without objection by Director Gregg. Motion passed without objection.

Policy Committee

Mrs. O'Donnell presented Policy 603.20, graduation requirements. She provided an overall update of changes. Mrs. O'Donnell noted the proposed changes removes two business credits in order to make it more flexible in obtaining various associate degrees. Mrs. O'Donnell pointed out that the change is still on par with state graduation requirements. Other changes also provide flexibility for when unique circumstances arise.

Director Anderson requested that the policy include "North Star Specific Graduation Requirements." Additionally, she wanted the policy to reflect how North Star's graduation requirements exceed standard graduation requirements.

The board acknowledged the policy. No motion was taken.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the consent agenda without objection by Director Gregg. Motion passed without objection.

Chairman Wheeler requested an update on the Ednetics e-rate discount at the next board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 6:47 pm without objection by Director Huffaker. Motion passed without objection.



Bryan Wheeler
Chairman of the Board



Eveleen Kearney
Clerk of the Board