

New England Public School proceedings

New England Public School District #9 Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of the New England Public School Board was called to order by President Chris Reindel at 6:05 p.m., on January 14, 2026. Board members present: Chris Reindel, Scott Bieber, Amanda Seymour, Brooke Waltner and Shawn Wolf. Board Members absent: none. Also present: Superintendent Scott Jung, Principal Sydney Ratliff, Dean of Students/AD Alex Quintane and Business Manager Tamara Volk.

Amanda moved to approve the agenda. Shawn seconded the motion. Chris aye, Scott aye, Brooke aye, Shawn aye, Amanda aye. Motion carried 5-0.

Brooke moved to approve the minutes of December 10, 2025, board meeting. Amanda seconded the motion. Scott aye, Brooke aye, Shawn aye, Amanda aye, Chris aye. Motion carried 5-0.

Scott moved to approve board bills as presented. Amanda seconded the motion. Brooke aye, Shawn aye, Amanda aye, Chris aye, Scott aye. Motion carried 5-0.

Activity Fund #9605-9706 17,049.50, Payroll #11963 -11973 DD15561-15610 117,379.40, GF #45988 BSN 1,909.20, 45989 Hettinger County Auditor 19,090.17, 45990 HUB 5,411.92, 45991HUB 203.84, 45992IState Truck 2,500.00, 45993 Jaymar 127.58, 45994 Menards 55.77, 45995 New England Community Store 160.26, 45996 NEPS Hot Lunch 255.00, 45997Swanke's 300.00, 45998 Topline 101.36, 45999 US Bank 5,625.00, 46000 VISA 450.00, 46001 WRSS 9,703.95, 46002 Wolf Body 1,937.10, 46003 Badlands Environmental 300.00, 46004 BSN 689.00, 46005 City 547.80, 46006 DE 1,340.95, 46007 Dakota Dustex 189.00, 46008Dickinson Hardware 49.99, 46009 Erika Stanley 420.00, 46010 Four Seasons Trophy110.50, 46011Steven Gussey 50.50, 46012 Jostens 505.20, 46013 JW Pepper 104.23, 46014 Keane Hanson Plumbing 3,032.50, 46015LaQuinta 110.00, 46016 Linde 1,658.19, 46017 Lookout Books 387.38, 46018 Marco 2,458.66, 46019 McGraw Hill 238.74, 46020 Menards 549.31, 46021 MDU 8,033.91, 46022 New England Community Store 29.89, 46023 New England Insurance 180.00, 46024Northern Auto Diesel 1,364.50, 46025 Juliana Peterson 16.31, 46026 Rudy's 423.00, 46027 Jaden Schoch 91.60, 46028 The Sherwin Williams 454.05, 46029 Smart Computers 7,575.01,46030

Topline 677.06, 46031 VISA 1,229.00, 46032 WRHS 110.00, 46033 WRSS 24,000.49, 46034 Westlie 690.87, HL 7182 Pepsi 633.00, 7183 SW District Health Unit 150.00, 7184 US Foodservice 4,264.43

Public Participation: None

REPORTS:

1. Business Manager Report

a. Revenue report, expenditure report and balance sheets were presented.

b. DPI January payment

c. Business Manager Evaluation tool

i. Brooke moved to approve this new evaluation tool for the Business Manager moving forward. Shawn seconded the motion. Shawn aye, Amanda aye, Chris aye, Scott aye, Brooke aye. Motion carried 5-0.

d. Rath and Mehrer Audit Letter of Engagement – Audit February 9, 2026.

2. Superintendent Report

a. Enrollment Report

i. Enrollment is up four students this last month.

b. Personnel Report

i. All positions are filled.

c. Discussion on Superintendent report information.

i. Discussion on religion release time.

d. Superintendent Evaluation will be coming up in March. It is very important to have them turned in on time, so the Board President and Superintendent

have time to meet.

3. Principal Report

a. Report Cards were mailed out after semester one, and credit recovery letters were mailed out to parents.

b. Starting Tiger Positivity.

c. Donkey basketball is tomorrow, Jan. 15, 2026.

d. PD is on Jan. 19, 2026 CPR/First Aid, afternoon will be scheduling for next year, standards alignment and pacing guides.

e. 100th day of school Jan. 30, 2026

f. Winter Formal Jan. 31, 2026

g. Student engagement surveys are coming up.

h. BCI is going to present on 2/10/2026, human trafficking, child pornography and other safety issues.

i. Personalized PD for the 26/27 school year is still being explored.

j. A few events are being planned by Student Council.

4 Dean of Students/Athletic/Activities Director Report

a. Winter sports are in full swing.

b. Softball schedule is being completed.

c. Military Appreciation night on Jan. 19, 2026, veterans will receive free admission to the game that night.

d. Semester one grades finalized

e. Tardies and absences are being looked at and analyzed.

f. Eligibility will be run next week.

g. Discussion on softball.

h. Honor roll is posted outside the office.

5. Transportation - No Report

6. Budget and Finance - No Report

7. Negotiations - No Report

8 Curriculum and Policy

a. Some curriculum will end this year. It is the third year of a three-year contract. More information will be coming soon.

b. Dr. Ratliff will be attending handbook training in February.

9. Building and Grounds

10. Co-op Committee

a. Cross-country and Golf paperwork has been filed.

11. Technology Committee

12 WERC

a. Vital Network – teachers take a survey to give feedback to administration.

13. RACTC

a. Met with the director and discussed the agreement, and how finances work.

14. SWCTC

a. When doing the schedule, Dr. Ratliff is hoping to be able to accommodate Juniors and Seniors wanting to take classes at SWCTC.

OLD BUSINESS:

NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

1. School Board Election –

June 9, 2026, at New England Public School, polling hours 8:00 a.m.-7:00p.m.

a. Scott moved to hold the annual School Board Election on June 9, 2026, at New England Public School, Polling Hours 8:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. Shawn seconded the motion. Shawn aye, Amanda aye, Chris aye, Scott aye, Brooke aye. Motion carried 5-0

2. Adoption of the 2026-2027 School Calendar

a. Discussion was held on the 2026/2027 calendar. Option 1 starts on 8/19, and graduation is the weekend before memorial weekend, starts a week earlier and ends a week earlier. Option 2 starts on 8/26 a week later and graduation memorial weekend.

i. Brooke moved to approve option 2 of the 2026-2027 school calendar. Amanda seconded the motion. No Discussion. Amanda aye, Chris aye, Scott nay, Brooke aye, Shawn aye. Motion carried 4-1.

3. February Board Meeting Date and Time

a. February 11, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Chris Reindel, president
Tamara L. Volk, business manager

2026 Hettinger County Equalization Meetings

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to North Dakota Century Code Section 57-09-02, 57-11-01, and 57-12-01 that all Hettinger County organized townships and cities will meet for their annual equalization meetings at the dates, times, and places according to the following schedule:		
Meetings to be held in New England at City Hall		
	Rifle Township	9:00 AM Tuesday, April 21, 2026
	Clark Township	9:30 AM Tuesday, April 21, 2026
	Kunze Township	10:00 AM Tuesday, April 21, 2026
	New England Township	10:30 AM Tuesday, April 21, 2026
	Havelock Township	11:00 AM Tuesday, April 21, 2026
	Tepee Butte Township	11:30 PM Tuesday, April 21, 2026
	Strehlow Township	12:00 PM Tuesday, April 21, 2026
	Kennedy Township	12:30 PM Tuesday, April 21, 2026
	Wagendorf Township	1:00 PM Tuesday, April 21, 2026
Meetings to be held in Mott at the Hettinger County Courthouse in the Commissioners Room (First Floor)		
	St. Croix Township	8:30 AM Wednesday, April 22, 2026
	Highland Township	9:00 AM Wednesday, April 22, 2026
	Madison Township	9:30 AM Wednesday, April 22, 2026
	Black Butte Township	10:00 AM Wednesday, April 22, 2026
	Campbell Township	10:30 AM Wednesday, April 22, 2026
	Acme Township	11:00 AM Wednesday, April 22, 2026
	Steiner Township	11:30 AM Wednesday, April 22, 2026
	Walker Township	12:00 PM Wednesday, April 22, 2026
	Solon Township	8:30 AM Thursday, April 23, 2026
	Beery Township	9:00 AM Thursday, April 23, 2026
	Kern Township	9:30 AM Thursday, April 23, 2026
	Mott Township	10:00 AM Thursday, April 23, 2026
	Farina Township	10:30 AM Thursday, April 23, 2026
	Chilton Township	11:00 AM Thursday, April 23, 2026
	Castle Rock Township	11:30 AM Thursday, April 23, 2026
	Brittian Township	12:30 PM Thursday, April 23, 2026
	Cannonball Township	1:00 PM Thursday, April 23, 2026
	Baer Township	1:30 PM Thursday, April 23, 2026
	Merrill Township	2:00 PM Thursday, April 23, 2026
	Ashby Township	2:30 PM Thursday, April 23, 2026
Meetings to be held at each City Hall building accordingly		
	New England City	6:30 PM Monday, April 6, 2026
	Regent City	5:00 PM Monday, April 13, 2026
	Mott City	7:00 PM Monday, April 13, 2026
EACH TAXPAYER has the right to appear before such board for a review of his/her assessments as determined by the office of the County Director of Tax Equalization.		
If you have questions, please contact the County Director of Tax Equalization at (701) 824-5102.		
DATED THIS 9TH DAY OF MARCH, 2026		
Cathy Ebert		
Director of Tax Equalization		

NOTICE OF FILING DEADLINE

Notice of Filing Deadline
City of New England

Notice is hereby given that the deadline for filing to have a candidate’s name printed on the ballot for the City of New England is Monday April 6, 2026, by 4 p.m. The following city offices are up for election:

Mayor – (1 position) (4-year term)

City Council Member At Large – (1 position) (4-year term)

City Council Member At Large – (1 position) (4-year term)

City Council Member At Large – (1 position) (4-year term)

City Park Board Member – (1 position) (4-year term)

City Park Board Member – (1 position) (4-year term)

Mayor position whose term will have expired: four-year term (Lyle Kovar). Council members positions whose terms will have expired are: at-large four-year terms (Chris Fitterer, Breann Krebs, Tom Gorek). Park board positions whose terms will have expired: four-year terms (Shawn Wolf, James Dykema).

A candidate for city office must turn in a completed SFN 2704 Petition/Certificate of Nomination and a completed SFN 10172 Statement of Interests to their City Auditor by the above deadline by Monday April 6, 2026, by 4 p.m. All forms are available from either your City Auditor or can be obtained on-line at <http://www.nd.gov/sos/electvote/elections/forms.html>

Jason Jung
New England City Auditor

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Hard Red Spring Wheat • AP Elevate • AP Gunsmoke CL • AP Smith • AP Iconic • CP3099A • CP3188 • CP3530 • CP3055 • SY Murdock • LCS Rebel • LCS Buster • LCS Cannon	Lentils • Viceroy Small Green • RichLea Medium Green Durum • Stronghold • Defy • Spitfire Barley • Genesis Oats • Jury (Common)	Flax • Marvelous Peas • Orchestra • CP5244 Forage Crops • Lavina Forage Barley • Baler Forage Oats
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Corn
Soybeans
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Forage/Cover Crops
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Inoculants