



March 16, 2026  
CENTRAL LUTHERAN SCHOOL  
Board of Directors Meeting

Our mission: Providing students with a quality education built on a firm Christian foundation, so they grow in the knowledge of Jesus as their Savior and become loving servants to others.

The meeting began with Jeremy Chihak leading the Board in a devotion.

**Call To Order**

With a quorum of board members present, the regular meeting of the Board was called to order by President, Nick Hach. Roll call was as follows:

Board Members			
Name	Roll	Name	Roll
Dawn Embretson	Present	Nick Hach	Present
Heidi Williams	Absent	Jeremy Chihak	Present
Kristin Stien	Present	Jake Roetman	Present
Greg Silhanek	Present	Audrey Roberts	Present
Kurt Slouha	Present		

Others in Attendance		
Name		
Frank Parris	Abbie Rathje	Jess Fry
Pastor Woltemath	Pastor Palmer	Pastor Schultz

**Minutes from Previous Meeting**

**MOTION was made by Dawn Embretson to accept the minutes from the February 16, 2026. Jake Roetman seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Financial Report**

**Financial Report Presented** – The ESA monies have arrived and has been allocated to proper accounts. A small amount is still on the way. 2 CDs from the general account are due tomorrow. Recommendation is to put the money in the CDs into the 6 month CD. Discussion was had on handling remainder of funds.

**MOTION was made by Jeremy Chihak to fund the capital expense for \$160,253 and invest that money in a 1 year CD in Atkins Savings Bank and reinvest the 2 CDs that mature on 3/17/2026 in a 6 month CD in Atkins Savings Bank. Kurt Slouha seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED.** Discussed the donations fund.

**MOTION was made by Kurt Slouha to accept the financial reports. Dawn Embretson seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Committee Reports**

**Principal's Report /Admissions Director Report** – Had 2 visits for the school rescheduled due to weather. Also have another family visit coming on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. 3 of the 5 negative tuition balance due are awaiting ESA funds. Payment plans have been worked out with application fees. Denise attended NLSA accreditation at LIS. 2 students have 18+ absences. Parents requested to sign a waiver. Still have 2 observations left to

make. 21 hours left before makeup days are needed. IACS meeting with a main topic of how to defend ESAs to those who are against it.

**Policy Committee** – No report.

**Facility Committee** – Finished the questions with the insurance company. Requesting extra time to have them present to the board. Greg and Jeremy worked on the students center and activities center doors. Discussed getting quotes on different doors.

**Athletic Committee** – Basketball is complete. Varsity and JV girls got 2<sup>nd</sup> in tournaments. Varsity girls are headed to nationals. Track practice starts shortly.

**Marketing/Enrollment Committee** – Forever Central is right around the corner. Door decorations and Egg Your Yard are coming up.

**Technology Committee** – No report.

**Endowment Committee** – Will be meeting before the dinner.

**Long Range planning** – Meeting will be coming as well. Good representation of board members and non-members from the churches. Will be changing the name to Strategic Planning

### **Old Business**

- A. Constitution Review-** Met with the pastors and Presidents from Newhall, Atkins and Keystone. Proposal was made that the Vice Chairman or board member attends a Benton Community School Board meeting. Treasurer was listed as financial manager and recommended that move to the financial piece since the Treasurer does not do that anymore. Budget timeline discussion was had around how to be in better communication with congregations as they're putting together their budget. Suggestion for a thorough run through of the budget is given in Sept/Oct/Nov timeframe to the churches as they prepare their budgets.
- B. Strategic planning/Long range planning-** Working to arrange first meeting with board members and non-board members from each congregation and teachers.
- C. Staff for 26-27 school year- PE/AD teacher-** One candidate has withdrawn his name due to current commitment. Call committee continues to work on this.
- D. Reminder about Ministry Reviews: K, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>- Due in April**

### **New Business**

- A. Classroom furniture information-committee of teachers to go over information and make recommendations to the Board-**
- B. Beginning Summer Work List (annual BOD work plan)-** Stage floor and walls needs to be attended to. Also discussed the playground.
- C. MOTION was made by Dawn Embretson to move to a closed sessions. Greg Silhanek seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED. MOTION was made by Dawn Embretson to exit closed session. Kurt Slouha seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED.**

**Debrief** – Topics included constitution review with proposed changes to board roles and budget communication, strategic planning meetings involving congregations and teachers, and ongoing recruitment for PE/AD teacher position. Addressed classroom furniture evaluations, summer work plans focusing on stage and playground maintenance. Ministry reviews need to be completed by next month.

**MOTION was made by Greg Silhanek to adjourn the meeting. Kurt Slouha seconded the motion.  
MOTION CARRIED.**

Next regular meeting April 20, 2026 @ 6:00PM.  
The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kristin Stien, Secretary 2026