CENTRAL LUTHERAN SCHOOL

August 17, 2026
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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.

Board of Directors Meeting

The meeting began with Dawn Embretson 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	Present	Jeremy Chihak	Present
Kristin Stien	Present	Jake Roetman	Present
Greg Silhanek	Present	Audrey Roberts	Present
Kurt Slouha	Absent		

Others in Attendance		
Name		
Frank Parris	Aaron Huesman	Pastor Woltemath

Minutes from Previous Meeting

MOTION was made by Dawn Embretson to accept the minutes from the July 13, 2026 meeting with the corrections that were made. Jeremy Chihak seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Financial Report

Financial Report Presented – The lunch account reconciliation remains in progress because records from different sources do not yet match. Kitchen cabinet, shed, pressure-washing, and related facility payments were reported as completed or paid. Phone invoices remain outstanding. Endowment interest was transferred for desks and chairs. Longer-term investment options may be considered when other certificates mature.

MOTION was made by Heidi Williams to move $40,000 from the Endowment Fund Checking to 182 day CD. Dawn Embretson seconded the motion.

Fast Direct was sold to Sycamore. After demonstrations and staff review, Sycamore was selected over MySchoolworx. Sycamore is less expensive than previously reviewed alternatives, preserves this year's Fast Direct payment, and requires a three-year agreement. Future pricing will increase in years two and three.

MOTION was made by Jake Roetman to accept the financial reports. Kristin Stien seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Committee Reports

Principal's Report /Admissions Director Report – Enrollment changes were reviewed and discussed. Staff professional-development plans and goal meetings are being scheduled around professional, personal, and spiritual growth. Preparation has begun for the NLSA visit. Committees will gather evidence in Jetpack, an oversight committee will monitor progress, and the application still needs a signature. A spring visitation window is being explored.

Policy Committee – No report.

Facility Committee – Kitchen cabinets are installed. Minor things to be done before the school year starts. Going to develop a long-term window replacement plan and obtain contractor comparisons.

Athletic Committee – Soccer and cross country practices have begun. Games will start the first week of school.

Marketing/Enrollment Committee – Meeting soon to plan the annual calendar, Donuts with Dad, Muffins with Mom. Blairstown will have a float. Discussion on earlier planning and broader parent communication are needed to secure parade vehicles and volunteers.

Technology Committee – Two wireless access points have arrived for the student center and gym. The technology team will also clean up wiring now that the phone system is getting installed.

Endowment Committee – No report.

Strategic planning – Plan for NLSA accreditation nearly complete, with broad goals still to be developed. The group suggested displaying the school's motto, mission and goals as a reminder when making decisions.

Old Business

New Business

A. **Approve fundraisers for 26-27 school year-**
    a. PTL - Square One Art, Board and Brush, Brunch, Spring Fling, Plant Sale
    b. Golf Outing-athletics
    c. Student Council- Christmas gram, Parents night out, Crush for Crush, Easter gram
    d. Athletics-banners

MOTION was made by Jake Roetman to approve the fundraisers for 26-27 School Year. Heidi Williams seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

B. **Health Insurance-** Concordia health, dental, and vision coverage was discussed for renewal despite increased premiums and deductibles. The school's HSA contribution remains the same.

MOTION was made by Jake Roetman to approve staying with Concordia Health Plans as the health insurance provider. Kristin Stien seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

C. **Outdoor Ed Plans- October 15th & 16th at Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca**

D. **Review Mission, Vision, and Motto Statement-** Will continue to discuss in the next month as Standard 1 is worked through.

Pastor Woltemath- Shared that Concordia University Nebraska has a record freshman class for called workers (pre-seminary, rostered teachers, etc). The opening service will include additional elder presence, and local law enforcement has been notified for added awareness.

Debriefer – Still need to fill KFJ leadership role. Continuing to resolve discrepancies between kitchen and administrative lunch-account records. Moving excess endowment funds to interest bearing account. Will be installing wireless equipment and NLSA documentation. Also will be developing a plan for window replacement.

MOTION was made by Greg Silhanek to adjourn the meeting. Dawn Embretson seconded the motion. MOTION CARRIED.

Next regular meeting September 21, 2026 @ 6:00PM.
The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Kristin Stien, Secretary 2026