

PANA COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #8
Regular Board of Education Meeting Minutes
August 17, 2026
Unit Office Board Room

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order by Board President Kyle Anderson at 6:30 pm. Anderson, Berner, Beyers Casner, Dorn, and Moon were all present. Hadowsky was absent.

Visitors: Ryan Trelz, Allison Trelz, Al Stupek, Britany Gardner, Erica Lees, Susan McGrath

2. Consent Agenda Items

- a. Reading and Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes and Special Board Meeting Minutes – July 20, 2026
- b. Approval of Monthly Bills and Payrolls – Accounts Payable and Payroll Report
- c. Treasurer's Report (July)
 - i. Financial Reports
 - ii. Other Financial Information
 - 1. Donation Approvals – None to report this month.
- d. FOIA Requests
 - i. FOIA request from SmartProcure requesting general purchasing records from January 6, 2026 to July 20, 2026.

Action: Motion was made by Moon and seconded by Berner to approve the Consent Agenda inclusive of payables totaling \$662,006.23 and payrolls totaling \$1,184,453.59 for a total payables and payroll of \$1,846,459.82.

3. Visitor, Teacher, & Support Staff Considerations

- a. Ryan and Allison Trelz expressed their concerns about parking near the new softball field.
- b. Erica Lees presented the Music Boosters budget for FY27 to the Board.

4. Committee Reports

- a. Facilities
 - i. Did not meet this month.
 - ii. Next meeting: TBD.
- b. Finance

- i. James Moon and Mrs. Miller provided an overview of the Finance Committee meeting held Tuesday, August 11, 2026 at 6:30 am. The FY27 tentative budget was presented under the Superintendent's report.
 - ii. Next meeting: TBD.
- c. Curriculum
 - i. Did not meet this month.
 - ii. Next meeting: TBD.
- d. Policy
 - i. Mrs. Miller provided an overview of the Policy Committee meeting held Tuesday, August 11, 2026 at 4:30 pm.
 - ii. Next Meeting: TBD
 - 1. 1st Reading of IASB PRESS Policy Updates – The Policy Committee reviewed the IASB PRESS Policy updates from June 2026 and recommended approval of the first reading. Key changes included updates to extracurricular activities, Equal Access, religious instruction, controversial topics, and students' constitutional rights.

Action: Motion was made by Casner and seconded by Berner to approve the 1st reading of the IASB PRESS Policy updates from June 2026 as reviewed by the Policy Committee.

- 2. The Committee reviewed a local policy regarding the transfer of inactive staff and student meal account balances after 12 months of inactivity to the Food Service Fund.

Action: Motion was made by Moon and seconded by Casner to approve the local Inactive Meal Account Balances policy as reviewed by the Policy Committee.

- 3. The Committee reviewed PRESS Policy 7:180 Prevention of and Response to Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment.

Action: Motion was made by Berner and seconded by Beyers to approve PRESS Policy 7:180 Prevention of and Response to Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment as reviewed by the Policy Committee.

- e. Pana Education Foundation
 - i. Mrs. Miller provided an overview of the meeting held July 22, 2026 at 4:15 pm. The Board approved this year's mini grants and will provide each new teacher with \$200 for classroom supplies. The Board discussed materials for the upcoming Labor Day Parade and proposed updates to the organization's bylaws. The annual Wall of Fame ceremony will be held September 27 during Homecoming weekend. Next meeting: August 19, 2026 at 7:00 am.
 - ii. Next Meeting: TBD
- f. Technology

- i. Did not meet this month
 - ii. Next meeting: TBD
- g. Insurance
 - i. Mrs. Miller provided an overview of the Insurance Committee meeting held August 11, 2026 at 12:00 pm. The committee reviewed the District's health insurance coverage and upcoming renewal with the Egyptian Trust, including renewal rates, available plans, deductibles, out-of-pocket maximums, co-insurance, copays, PPO plans, high-deductible health plans with HSAs, and available employee apps.
 - ii. Next meeting: TBD.

5. Administrative Reports

- a. Principals
 - i. Building principals highlighted items from their submitted reports.
- b. Building & Transportation
 - i. Jeff Stauder provided highlights from his submitted report.
- c. Curriculum & Instruction
 - i. Mr. Donahue provided highlights from his written curriculum and grant reports.
- d. Superintendent
 - i. Personnel Recommendations

Action: Motion was made by Moon and seconded by Berner to approve the August Employment Report and Administrator Salary Report as reviewed and presented in Executive Session.

- e. Consideration to Approve the OKAW Area Vocational Center Joint Agreement Resolution – The District will send 23 students to OKAW this fall.

Action: Motion was made by Berner and seconded by Moon to approve the OKAW Area Vocational Center Joint Agreement Resolution.

- f. Intergovernmental Agreement between Pana CUSD 8 and the City of Pana for Use of the North Diamond at Kitchell Park – The agreement allows Pana CUSD 8 to use the North Diamond at Kitchell Park as the home field for the junior high baseball program.

Action: Motion was made by Beyers and seconded by Berner to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement between Pana CUSD 8 and the City of Pana for use of the North Diamond at Kitchell Park.

- g. Mileage Reimbursement Rate Increase – The IRS updated the standard mileage rates for 2026. For July 1 through December 31, 2026, the business rate is 76 cents per mile.

Action: No action required.

- h. Presentation of FY27 Tentative Budget – The tentative budget was reviewed with the Finance Committee. Adjustments will be made over the next 30 days before the final version is presented at the budget hearing next month. The Budget Hearing will be held at 6:15 pm prior to the September 21, 2026 Regular Board Meeting.

Action: Motion was made by Casner and seconded by Moon to approve the FY27 Tentative Budget Resolution.

- i. NPT Special Education Cooperative Report – Mrs. Miller provided an overview of the budget hearing and regular meeting held August 6, 2026. The NPT Board approved the FY27 budget, renewed health and dental insurance, accepted the resignation of Eddie Green, and approved the hiring of Jerrica Barnes as a paraprofessional. Staff began working in the new NPT facility August 10.

Action: No action required.

6. Executive Session

- a. Discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District, student discipline, litigation, the setting of price for sale or lease of property owned by the District, and collective negotiating matters.
Employment/Compensation/Resignation recommendations.

Action: Motion was made by Beyers and seconded by Moon to enter executive session for the discussion of the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District, student discipline, litigation, the setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the District, and collective bargaining matters, as well as employment/compensation/resignation recommendations.

Action: Motion was made by Beyers and seconded by Berner to leave Executive Session and return to Open Session.

Action: Motion was made by Casner and seconded by Moon to approve Executive Session minutes as read in executive session.

7. Communications

- a. Capitol Watch

8. Board Member Considerations

- a. FY27 Budget Hearing – Reminder that the budget hearing will take place at 6:15 pm on Monday, September 21, 2026, prior to the regular Board meeting.

9. Adjournment

Board President

Board Secretary