

**COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #16**  
**NEW BERLIN, ILLINOIS**  
**January 22, 2026**

**MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING**

President Neuman called the Board Meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. Members Marr, Mann, Bishoff, Arndt, Griffith were present. Member Beard was absent.

The Board recognized five students as Illinois State Scholars, Alex Steger, Michael Pecoraro, Max Baumburger, Carter Clair and Aydin Littig.

Administration shared Pretzel Shoutouts with the Board.

President Neuman opened the floor to public comment, of which there were none.

President Neuman shared there were no IASB Talking Points to share but noted the spring Abe Lincoln Division Meeting will be held on March 26, 2026 at Enos Elementary School.

President Neuman opened the floor for any adjustments to the agenda, of which there was none.

There were no questions or comments regarding Director Reports.

Administrators reports were shared.

The Superintendent advised the Board they are working on next year's staffing, the stair covering in the Jr/Sr. High School has been installed and they are coordinating with three companies to resolve HVAC issues. She updated the Board on the change in matching grants to the phone and security system, due to the greenhouse project being denied. She also sought approval and was directed by the Board to complete the 27-28 calendar, to be presented at the February board meeting.

A motion was made by Member Bishoff and seconded by Member Mann to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion passed on a roll call vote, 6-0. President Neuman, Members Marr, Mann, Bishoff, Arndt, Griffith voted yea.

A motion was made by Member Marr and seconded by Member Bishoff to approve the Bus Bid from Midwest Transit Equipment for (71) Passenger White Activity Bus for \$64, 590. The motion passed on a roll call vote, 6-0. President Neuman, Members Marr, Mann, Bishoff, Arndt, Griffith voted yea.

A motion was made by Member Marr and seconded by Member Mann to approve the Team Rules for Varsity Track 25-26. The motion passed on a voice vote, 6-0. President Neuman, Members Marr, Mann, Bishoff, Arndt, Griffith voted yea.

A motion was made by Member Bishoff and seconded by Member Marr to approve the Team Rules for Varsity Softball 25-26. The motion passed on a voice vote, 6-0. President Neuman, Members Marr, Mann, Bishoff, Arndt, Griffith voted yea.

A motion was made by Member Mann and seconded by Member Marr to approve the JH Track Rules 2026. The motion passed on a voice vote, 6-0. President Neuman, Members Marr, Mann, Bishoff, Arndt, Griffith voted yea.

A motion was made by Member Marr and seconded by Member Bishoff to approve the New Berlin Baseball Team Rules 2026. The motion passed on a voice vote, 6-0. President Neuman, Members Marr, Mann, Bishoff, Arndt, Griffith voted yea.

A motion was made by Member Mann and seconded by Member Bishoff to approve the Resolution to Approve the Revision of SASSED's Articles of Agreement. The motion passed on a voice vote, 6-0. President Neuman, Members Marr, Mann, Bishoff, Arndt, Griffith voted yea.

A motion was made by Member Marr and seconded by Member Bishoff to approve the School Maintenance Grant Resolution-Revised. The motion passed on a roll call vote, 6-0. President Neuman, Members Marr, Mann, Bishoff, Arndt, Griffith voted yea.

A motion was made by Member Marr and seconded by Member Mann to approve the JH Curriculum Guide. The motion passed on a voice vote, 6-0. President Neuman, Members Marr, Mann, Bishoff, Arndt, Griffith voted yea.

A motion was made by Member Griffith and seconded by Member Bishoff to approve the Board Member Reimbursement for Josh Beard. The motion passed on a roll call vote, 6-0. President Neuman, Members Marr, Mann, Bishoff, Arndt, Griffith voted yea.

A motion was made by Member Marr and seconded by Member Bishoff to approve the Overnight Trip for two band students, to the Peoria Civic Center for ILMEA All-State, 1/28/26-1/31/26. The motion passed on a roll call vote, 6-0. President Neuman, Members Marr, Mann, Bishoff, Arndt, Griffith voted yea.

A motion was made at 6:41 p.m. by Member Bishoff and seconded by Member Arndt, to enter into executive session for the purpose of employee, student discipline and litigation matters. The motion passed on a roll call vote, 6-0. President Neuman, Members Marr, Mann, Bishoff, Arndt, Griffith voted yea.

A motion was made at 7:32 p.m. by Member Bishoff and seconded by Member Arndt to return to open session. The motion passed on a roll call vote, 6-0. President Neuman, Members Marr, Mann, Bishoff, Arndt, Griffith voted yea.

A motion was made by Member Griffith and seconded Arndt to approve the Personnel Consent Agenda (Jessie Adams-NBE Paraprofessional, Caleb Leetham-JH/HS Paraprofessional, Madison Smith-Volunteer Softball, Donnie Edwards-Volunteer Softball Coach.) The motion passed on a roll call vote, 6-0. President Neuman, Members Marr, Mann, Bishoff, Arndt, Griffith voted yea.

President Neuman asked the Board to make note of the Resignations.

A motion was made at 7:34 p.m. by Member Mann and seconded by Member Arndt to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed on a voice vote, 6-0. President Neuman, Members Marr, Mann, Bishoff, Arndt, Griffith voted yea.

The meeting ended at 7:34 p.m.

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Secretary

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President