



# Craig City School District

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## PUBLIC NOTICE CCSD SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, April 30, 2025

CHS Library @ 7:00PM

<https://craigschools.zoom.us/j/9078263274?pwd=LTMdID9oVbCpba36q82xgae4tbSCmn.1>

Zoom URL

1. Call to Order  
The meeting was called to order
2. Flag Salute  
A salute to the flag was given
3. Roll Call

Board Members	Employees	Employees	Other Present
Hans Hjort	Veronica Dandurand	Sandra Marker	
Bonnie Morris	Jackie Hanson	Christy House	
Ben Page	Josh Andrews	Jared Grieve	
Trish Conatser	Shelby Beck	Nicole Nelson	
Julie McDonald	Stephen DeHart	Daniel Nelson	
	Karen Packer	Melinda Bass (via Zoom)	
4. District Mission & Vision Statements (recited by Board Member, Trish Conatser)  
The District Mission & Vision Statement was read aloud by Trish Conatser
5. Agenda Approval
  - a. M/S Page/McDonald  
A motion was made to amend the agenda to include the PACE Calendar under item 10g.  
Roll Call Vote  
Motion passed unanimously
  - b. M/S Hjort/McDonald  
A motion was made to approve the amended agenda as presented  
Roll Call Vote  
Motion passed unanimously
6. Consent Agenda
  - a. Approval of Minutes (from March 26, 2025 & April 9, 2025)
  - b. Approval of Financials (March 20, 2025 – April 22, 2025)
  - c. Approval of Correspondence
    - Jared De Lara, School Finance Specialist II, Alaska Department of Education & Early Development (re: FY25 Foundation Update Letter & Additional Spreadsheet Attachments (3))
    - Don Enoch, State Special Education Administrator, Alaska Department of Education & Early Development (re: FY25 Entitlement Review Intensive Funding Final Notice)
    - Nura Mickler, Senior Review Specialist, Alaska Department of Education & Early Development (re: National School Lunch Program Administrative Review - Closing Letter)

Our students will be compassionate, resilient, self-sufficient, engaged members of their community.  
CCSD will establish a community of learning that empowers the whole child to embrace life-long learning and a growth mindset.

A motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda as presented

Roll Call Vote

Motion passed unanimously

7. Public Comments

Several CCSD staff members presented public comments regarding the Technology Refresh Proposals. The staff members who presented public comments were Shelby Beck, Stephen DeHart, Melissa Peavey, Karen Packer, Sandra Marker, and Josh Andrews. The technology refresh proposal had several options for the changing of current, outdated technology (to include computers, laptops and tablets) to new technology that would be compliant with state testing protocols and be under warranty. One of the proposed technology refresh proposals would have CCSD switch from Apple computers and tablets to PC based computers and tablets. The staff members expressed concerns about the learning curve for students and staff during an already busy time of remodeling at the elementary and middle school. The staff members were in favor of keeping with the Apple products and cited that the current IT infrastructure is already set up for Apples and that any changes would come at a cost of time, money and effort to the school district.

8. Reports & Information

a. Board Member Reports

Hjort – Been busy with policy committee meetings and end of year school activities.

Conatser – Attended policy committee meetings and is looking forward to discussing their progress with the Board today. Attended the Cultural Youth Gathering Day event at the high school and thought it was a fun and upbeat event and gave thanks to the staff and volunteers that made the day possible.

McDonald – Was not able to attend the Cultural Youth Gathering Day event but would like to thank staff members for all the little things they do in support of students, such as the library teaching students how to make books.

Morris – Attended the Indian Ed. Committee meeting and received good feedback from the students. Considered the Cultural Youth Gathering Day a success as it builds relationships amongst the students and community. Morris thanked the district, staff and volunteers for all their efforts to make the event possible.

b. Principal Reports

- CEMS Principal Report (submitted by David Harris)

- CHS Principal Report (submitted by Josh Andrews)

Thanked all staff members and volunteers involved in hosting the Cultural Youth Gathering Day event at the high school in his absence. Andrews asked the high school students to complete a survey regarding the Cultural Youth Gathering and the majority of the students enjoyed the event.

- PACE Principal Report (submitted by Heather Mendonsa) McDonald was pleased to see the quarterly PACE student outings and gatherings that PACE students have participated in. Hjort looked at the PACE handbook and was happy to see that the changes made to the handbook were all highlighted; it makes it easier to note the policy changes.

- c. Washington DC Close Up Student Spotlight Report (submitted by Shelby Beck) Beck handed out a flyer that showed the group at various monuments and stops along their trip to Washington DC, New York City and back. This was the largest group Beck had taken to DC with the group comprised of sophomores and seniors, for a total of 21 students. Beck had opened the trip to include sophomores this year, as opposed to only seniors, as both sophomores and seniors are studying U.S. Government as part of their curriculum. Beck thanked staff, volunteers and the participants themselves for their time and efforts in making the trip possible. The group worked many hours fundraising for the trip, and it was a success as it provided a meaningful experience for the students. Hanson thanked Beck for all her efforts in making the trip possible.
- d. Maintenance Director Report (submitted by Daniel Nelson) Nelson mentioned that work had just begun on mapping out the school's sprinkler system. At the time of the meeting, the mapping of the sprinkler system had not been completed.
- e. Business Manager Report (submitted by Melinda Bass) McDonald thanked Bass for her report and had a question regarding the revenue overview. McDonald wanted to know if the figures included the decrease in student count revenue, Bass stated that it did include the decrease in student count revenue.
- f. Superintendent Report (submitted by Jackie Hanson) Hanson thanked the volunteers and staff that helped make the Cultural Youth Gathering Day possible. Hanson also thanked Business Manager Bass and Food Service Director Kristine Cervera for their efforts in completing the nutrition review. The interview committees have been hard at work, interviewing potential candidates for vacant staff positions, however the district still has positions vacant. The most recent teacher in-service day had guest speaker Dr. Charles Fay of Love and Logic give a presentation to CCSD staff. The presentation was open to all faculty members and staff of CCSD, not just teachers, and proved to be an enjoyable day filled with quality professional development.

9. Old Business

- a. CCSD Board Policy & Administrative Regulation Updates (re: Policy Committee Meeting 3/3/25)

M/S Page/McDonald

Conatser mentioned that the Policy Committee would like guidance from the board regarding their policy on drug testing student athletes. The committee mentioned that the practice is no longer done at many schools and questioned the necessity of the testing. There was discussion amongst the board with concerns ranging from how the optics would look to the public with the discontinuation of the practice to the practice repetitively targeting the same pool of students. CHS Principal Andrews mentioned that the testing is another logistical demand on the principals' position and that the prior year testing was done once per week during sports season. Hjort would like to keep the testing but with the frequency being reduced to once a quarter. McDonald would like to see the testing become more randomized. Page questioned the necessity of the testing and its effectiveness in the long run. Morris would like less testing due to the current state of the district's budget.

A motion was made to approve the presented Board Policies and Administrative Regulations as a second and final reading.

Roll Call Vote

Motion passed unanimously

- b. CCSD Board Policy & Administrative Regulation 5131.61 - Drug/Alcohol Testing Policy

This was a discussion item only and required no Board action at the time.

#### 10. New Business

- a. Personnel Report

M/S Page/McDonald

A motion was made to approve the Personnel Report as presented.

Roll Call Vote

Motion passed unanimously

- b. CHS New Shop/Biomass Project & Force Account Labor Proposal

M/S Page/McDonald

A motion was made to approve the use of Force Account Labor and to enter into an agreement with David Murphy for the CHS New Shop/Biomass Project, based on the submitted proposal and budget as presented in the amount of \$343,105.44, plus the pending concrete estimate, with total costs not to exceed the previously awarded AEA grand funds.

Roll Call Vote

Motion passed unanimously

- c. CCSD Technology Refresh Proposals

M/S Page/McDonald

There was discussion between the Board, Hanson and Technology Director Jared Grieve about the district staying with Apple technology versus making the move to an all-PC environment, district wide. Grieve received several quotes regarding the technology refresh and went on to explain the differences in the quotes he received to include licensing fees, interest rates, training fees in time and money and any extra costs associated with the transition.

A motion was made to approve the Apple Technology Refresh Proposal (1 or 2), including the 0% financing option, to maintain system consistency and avoid unnecessary training costs.

Roll Call Vote

Motion passed unanimously

- d. CCSD FY 2026 Draft Projected Budget

M/S Page/McDonald

McDonald asked if the City of Craig had looked at the budget yet and Hanson replied that the city will after the budget has been passed by the school board. McDonald and Hjort both thanked staff for their work on the budget and thanked Bass for her notes on the reports.

A motion was made to approve CCSD, FY 2026 Draft Projected Budget, as presented

Roll Call Vote

Motion passed unanimously

- e. CCSD School Board Scholarships

M/S Page/McDonald

A motion was made to approve three scholarships to the 2025 graduating seniors in the amount of \$1,000 each, one scholarship to the Student Board Representative in the amount of \$250, and two scholarships in the amount of \$250 each for continuing education.

Roll Call Vote

Motion passed unanimously

- f. Next Meeting Date

May 27, 2025

- g. Adjournment  
M/S Conatser/McDonald  
A motion was made to adjourn