

Paton-Churdan Community School District

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Board of Education Meeting

March 11, 2026

Paton-Churdan Library

Agenda

1. Call to Order

The meeting of the Paton-Churdan Board was called to order at 6:00

PM. 2. Roll Call

Present, Dave, Palmer, Denny Tilley, Mitch Stream

Absent: Cale Juergensen and Kelly Minnihan

Also present were Superintendent Johnson and Annie Smith, Principal and Lisa

Willardson, School Business Official attended via conference call.

3. Approve Agenda

Consent Agenda

1. Approval the Agenda and Minutes

2. Approval of the Bills

3. Approval of the Financial Report

4. Fundraisers

5. Approval of open enrollment application(s) 9 open enrollment applications presented.

Motion by Tilley, second by Stream to approve the agenda and all consent agenda items as presented to the Board. All voted aye, motion carried.

Oral Reports

Recognition of Visitors

None at this time

Principal – Mrs. Smith – Paton-Churdan hosted an open enrollment day and gave tours to potential students. We had a tremendous day. Many attended and we got several applications. We have great representation at State Speech that will take place this Saturday. Track has great numbers, there is a need for additional coaching staff based on numbers.

Superintendent – Mr. Johnson – An update on legislative measures that are being considered at this time. Mr. Johnson expressed his frustration with the passing of bills that seem to be doing intentional harm to public schools. Rural schools in particular are going to struggle even more as a result.

Motion by Stream, second by Tilley to approve the hiring of Bud Fagen and Trinity Borland as Assistant High School Track coaches as well as Joe Towers as MS Track Coach. All voted aye, motion carried.

Cassie gave an update on the progress of the new daycare building. A geological survey will be conducted starting tomorrow. They are still looking for funds for the final \$300,000.

The milk bids were not ready to be presented. Tabled for a future meeting.

Motion by Tilley, second by Stream to approve the AEA Purchasing Cooperative agreement. All voted aye, motion carried.

Motion by Tilley, second by Stream to approve the DDSDP committee as per the Superintendent appointments. The committee will consist of *Parent--Nikki Uebel, Parent--Karen*

Rooney, Principal--Annie Smith , Special Education Director--Karen Sandberg, Superintendent--Brian Johnson, Special Education Teacher--Anna Miller, General Education Teacher--Lori Berns, and an AEA Representative--depending on availability, this will either be Joy Wiebers, Ann Neumann, or Christie Crouch.
All voted aye, motion carried.

The Fiscal Year 2027 Calendar was tabled for a future meeting.

The Maintenance Equipment Bundle purchase was tabled for a future meeting.

A discussion regarding different options for IT services next year and the different options available. No action taken.

Policy updates were tabled for a future meeting.

The board discussed where we are in the negotiations process as well as the possible staffing changes for next year. Early retirement is a possible option to help with the reduction of salaries.

The 1st Budget Public Hearing will take place on March 23, 2026 at 6:00 PM in the Library of Paton-Churdan Schools.

The next regular meeting will be April 8, 2026 at 6:00 pm, immediately following our 2nd Public Hearing at 5:50 pm.

Motion by Tilley, second by Stream to adjourn
All voted aye, motion carried.