



OFFICIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, July 15, 2026

New Century Academy

Board Members:

- Present: Kelsey Dolge, Scott Palesotti, Traci Schutz

Others Present:

Jason Becker
Bess Bauman

Proceedings:

- Meeting was called to order at 5:33 p.m. by Dolge
- Additions / Changes to agenda
 - Add the following items to Action items:
 - d. approval of 2026-2027 Board Calendar
 - e. approve board positions
- Recognize visitors
 - Bess Bauman
- Approval of Agenda
 - A motion was made by Palesotti, seconded by Schutz, to approve the agenda as amended.
 - Motion carried via roll call.
- Public Input
 - none
- Consent Agenda
 - A motion was made by Dolge, seconded by Palesotti, to approve the consent agenda, which included approval of May Board Meeting Minutes, June Board Meeting Minutes, and license monitoring.
 - Motion carried via roll call.
- School Board Training –
 - Data Practices: Responding to Data Requests

Discussion Items:

- Finance Committee Report – None. Dustin Reeves from Creative Planning will present at the next board meeting.
- Policy Committee – Schutz
 - 1st Reading - NCA Policy 414 Time Sensitive Approval Procedure Policy
 - 1st Reading – NCA Policy 513 Student Promotion, Retention and Program Design
 - 1st Reading – NCA Policy 516 Student Medication
 - 1st Reading – NCA Policy 705 School Meals Policy
 - 3rd Reading - NCA Policy 102 Equal Education Opportunity

- Marketing / PR – Dolge
 - Staff and students recently participated in the Hutchinson Water Carnival parade and the Litchfield Watercade parade. They handed out 500 post cards at the Hutchinson parade and 1,000 post cards at the Litchfield parade (along with candy). The vehicle(s) in the parade showcased the new signs with the NCA logo and the phrase “Be Here, Be You, Belong.”
- Strategic Planning – Entire board
 - Pushed to after the August board meeting. Discussion will be NCA’s Framework goals/long term goals.
- Director Report – Becker
 - Volunteers have been helping with the building clean up. Tier 4 teachers are working on obtaining their license in order to cross teach.
- Chairperson Report - Dolge
 - Nothing to report

Action Items:

- Approve SPED Director Contracted Service 26-27.
 - A motion was made by Schutz, seconded by Dolge, to approve the 2026-2027 SPED Director Contracted Service.
 - Motion carried via roll call.
- Approve Bess Bauman as an appointed Board Member.
 - A motion was made by Dolge, seconded by Palesotti, to approve Bess Bauman as an appointed Board Member.
 - Motion carried via roll call.
- Approve Policy 102 Equal Education Opportunity.
 - A motion was made by Schutz, seconded by Dolge to approve NCA Policy 102: Equal Education Opportunity.
 - Motion carried via roll call.
- Approve 2026-2027 Board Calendar
 - A motion was made by Schutz, seconded by Dolge to approve the 2026-2027 Board Calendar.
 - Motion carried via roll call.
- Board Chairperson: A motion was made by Dolge, seconded by Palesotti to appoint Schutz as Board Chairperson.
 - Motion carried via roll call. Schutz abstained.
- Board Vice Chairperson: A motion was made by Schutz, seconded by Palesotti to appoint Dolge as Vice Chairperson.
 - Motion carried via roll call. Dolge abstained.
- Board Treasurer: A motion was made by Dolge, seconded by Schutz to appoint Palesotti as Treasurer.
 - Motion carried via roll call. Palesotti abstained.
- Board Secretary: A motion was made by Dolge, seconded by Palesotti to appoint Bauman as Secretary.
 - Motion carried via roll call.

Adjourn Meeting

- A motion was made by Schutz, seconded by Dolge, to adjourn the meeting.
- Motion carried via roll call.
- Time of adjournment 6:41 p.m.