

**ALDEN COMMUNITY SCHOOL  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MINUTES**

January 19, 2026

The Alden Community School Board of Education met in regular session on January 19, 2026, at 5:30 P.M., in the Office Conference Room.

Board Members Present:     Jon Bartlett, Kari Scholte, Heather Vierkandt, Jessica Christensen, Lucy Rodriguez

Board Members Absent:     None

Others Present:             Dr. Tony Neumann, Jacki Kooistra, Justin Ites, Kim Sharar

President Jon Bartlett called the meeting to order at 5:32 P.M. and declared a quorum. Kari Scholte made a motion to adopt the agenda and Jessica Christensen seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.

Visitors were welcomed.

Heather Vierkandt entered the meeting at 5:33 P.M.

The consent agenda was presented for approval which included: (A) Minutes from the December 15, 2025, Board Meeting; (B) Bills for payment; (C) Financial Reports; (D) Contract for student teaching placements from Grandview University; (E) Principal Report. Kari Scholte made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Heather Vierkandt seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Lucy Rodriguez entered the meeting at 5:41 P.M.

Dr. Neumann reviewed the Capital Projects Report.

Dr. Neumann discussed calendar options for the 2026-27 school year.

Initial information was shared by Dr. Neumann regarding the General Fund Budget for FY'27.

Dr. Neumann presented potential agenda items for the Joint Board Meeting. This meeting will take place in Alden on February 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 P.M.

Dr. Neumann asked for discussion regarding the March board meeting date due to the School Budget timeline. The March meeting will be held on Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30 P.M.

Dr. Neumann reviewed items for the February board agenda. This meeting will take place after the Joint School Board Meeting on February 16<sup>th</sup>.

Heather Vierkandt made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:12 P.M. Jessica Christensen seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

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PRESIDENT-JON BARTLETT

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SECRETARY-KIM SHARAR