

STANBERRY R-II BOARD OF EDUCATION HOLDS AUGUST MEETING

The regular meeting of the Stanberry R-II Board of Education was held Monday, August 17, 2026, in the Stanberry R-II Library. After the meeting was called to order, the agenda was approved. During the remainder of the Preliminaries to the Regular Meeting, new teachers to Stanberry were recognized: Mr. Lane Tobin (JH Social Studies) and Mrs. Sydney Oldham (6th Grade). We are so excited that each of them have joined the Stanberry R-II Family.

Prior to Public Comment Time, the Annual Tax Rate Hearing was held. This hearing was opened by Board President Mr. Brent Jennings. Dr. Davison shared how the tax rate information was gathered and after further discussion, the hearing was closed. Following the hearing, the Resolution to Set the Tax Rate Ceiling was read and the Board voted to set the levy for the 2026-2027 school year at \$5.4068 per \$100 of assessed valuation. The levy is broken down as follows - \$4.0768 for Operational Funds (Fund #1) and \$1.3300 for Capital Projects (Fund #4).

Following the Public Comment time, Dr. Davison discussed the following in the Superintendent's Report:

MSBA AUGUST REPORT (VIDEO)

- Senate Bill 68 will make an impact on school safety
 - Safety measures that Stanberry has in place
 - Safety specialist requirement - Tammy, Jason, and I have all been through the training
 - Site assessment and training in September
- MSBA Annual Conference
 - October 22-24 in Kansas City

START TO SCHOOL

- We are excited for the start of the school year. There is a lot of activity throughout the building.
 - New Website and Communication Tool
 - New teacher training August 17
 - All teachers report August 20 for professional development and meetings

BUILDING & GROUNDS UPDATE

- Maintenance – The maintenance crew has been working through the list of normal summer maintenance items, in addition to the construction projects. Within the next couple of weeks all maintenance projects should be completed.
- Summer Projects Update
 - New carpet HS workroom and AD office
 - New cabinets in several classrooms, offices, and workspaces
 - Epoxy floor in elementary section
 - Window perfs - branding and security
 - HS Entrance and sidewalk

Miscellaneous Items

- December BOE Meeting - I would like to move the December BOE meeting to Wednesday, December 16 at 7:00pm. There is a lot on the schedule in December, including the Winter Awards Banquet. If we move the BOE meeting date, we would be able to have the Winter Banquet on Monday.

The September and October agenda items were shared with the Board.

Under the principals' reports, Elementary Principal Mrs. Tammy Graham, and Mr. Jason Dias, the High School Principal, presented the following report:

- All supplies and orders have been checked in and delivered.
- Thanks to Tyler and his crew for all their hard work this summer. Lots of projects were completed over the summer in addition to getting the building ready for another year!
- Mrs. Graham and Mr. Dias had the new teacher orientation today with our new teachers: Mrs. Sydney Oldham (6th grade) and Mr. Lane Tobin (JH History).
- August 20, 24-25 – Teacher In-Service
- The elementary building will have an Open House on August 24. The PTO plans to have a membership drive and serve cookies and ice cream in the multi.
- Thanks to all the staff and teachers who have been working hard to ensure everything is ready to go for the 1st day of school on August 26.
- 7th Grade Orientation is scheduled to be held on August 24 to help acclimate these students to junior high.
- Varsity fall sports started practices on August 10 with JH practices on August 17th.
- Band performed at Main Street Market on Saturday, August 15th.
- Varsity football jamboree game is set for August 21 at Princeton.
- Varsity softball jamboree game is set for Aug. 22 at Albany.
- First golf meet is scheduled for September 1st at Albany.
- Juniors will take the ASVAB on September 2nd.
- School photos will take place on September 3rd and 4th with Brent Johnson.
- Friday, September 4th is the FFA BBQ at the home football game vs Platte Valley.
- Mr. Brett Williams will be the student teacher with Mr. Maronde this Fall.

Under the Consent Agenda, the following items were approved:

- The minutes of the last meeting, the warrants, and the financial report
- District Financial Statement
- District Assessment Plan (CSIP)
- Board Policy 0342 – Nepotism, Conflict of Interest, and Financial Disclosure
- Board Policy 1300 - Section 504 & Title IX Coordinator: Dr. John Davison
- Board Policy 4321 - FMLA Compliance Officer: Dr. John Davison
- Board Policy 2260 - Homeless Coordinator: Dr. John Davison
- Board Policy 2760 - Foster Care Liaison and Point of Contact: Dr. John Davison

- Board Policy 6180 - ELL Coordinator and Point of Contact: Dr John Davison

Under Communications, the Board received:

- AMI Plan Approval from DESE

Under Old Business, the Board was presented with the following information:

- The End of Year Actual 2025-26 Budget was approved 6-0 by the Board. Due to some cuts in capital spending and operations, the district ended the fiscal year with a positive balance of \$97,423. The SY2026-27 budget, which was first presented to the board in June 2026, will be amended in September. Current projections reflect a positive spending balance for this year as well. There are some capital improvement projects that will need to be addressed in the next few years, including the parking lots, HVAC systems, and several areas on the roof.

Under New Business, the Board was presented with the following information:

- The special education plan was presented to the board for review over the course of next month. The Stanberry School District utilizes the plan developed by DESE. This plan will be presented again in September for final approval.
- The annual roof inspection report was shared with the board. The majority of the various roof surfaces received an overall "B - C" grade, which is equal to 5-7 years of service life remaining. There were several areas that were given a "D" rating, which is equal to 2 -4 years of service life remaining. No recommendations were given by the roof inspector other than regular maintenance, cleaning, and inspections. The building and grounds plan will be reviewed this school year and the roof will be a topic of discussion.
- Every five years, the depository services for the school district is reviewed and sent to the bid process. Two local banks, Bank Northwest and HNB Bank both prepared bids for these services. Both bids were very competitive and offered everything that the district is currently needing. The board approved (6-0) the bid from HNB Bank. The depository services will be transitioned from Bank Northwest to HNB Bank by September 1, 2026. We appreciate the consistent and generous support of both banks and look forward to the continued partnership with both banks.
- The Student Transportation Service Plan was presented and approved 6-0 by the Board. Thank you Mrs. Katie Petty and all of our bus drivers for transporting and keeping our students safe. Mrs. Petty will be at the open house next week to answer any questions that families may have.
- The last item under new business was the presentation of the student and employee handbooks for the year. The board approved (6-0) the handbooks as presented.

The Board entered Executive Session after New Business to discuss personnel items. During executive session, the board voted 6-0 to hire Mrs. Roxanne Hoover as the high school Science teacher for the 2026-27 school year. We are so thankful to have her back in our district! The Board then made a motion to leave executive session and adjourn the meeting.

The next regularly scheduled Board meeting is Monday, September 21, 2026, at 7pm in the Stanberry R-II Library.