

GREEN CITY R-1 SCHOOLS
MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION
OPEN SESSION
February 17, 2026

Kind of Meeting: Regular
Place of Meeting: High School Business Classroom
Date: February 17, 2026
Time: 5:30 p.m.

Members present: Jason Salas, Vice-President; Katy Foster, Treasurer; JT Thomas, Secretary; Thomas Christen, Member; Sean Ernst, Member; Brody Fude, Member; Tennille Banner, Superintendent; Dallas Halley, High School Principal; Alice Heidenwith, Elementary Principal; and Lindsay Moore, Bookkeeper/Secretary

Absent: Kellen Hatcher, President

Guests: LaNessia Ballinger, Wendy Eberhardt, and Amber Liebhart

Call to Order

Vice-President Jason Salas called the Board meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. Brody Fude motioned to approve the agenda. The motion was second by Katy Foster. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0.

Approve Board Minutes

The following meeting minutes were reviewed:

- Regular Meeting, Open Session – January 21, 2026
- Regular Meeting, Executive Session – January 21, 2026
- Special Meeting, Open Session – January 26, 2026

Katy Foster moved, second by Sean Ernst, to approve the meeting minutes as stated. Motion carried 4-0.

Thomas Christen entered the meeting at 5:34 p.m.

Consent Agenda

Sean Ernst moved, second by Katy Foster, to approve expenditures totaling \$56,723.77 and the Treasurer's Report. The motion carried with a vote of 4-0-1 with Thomas Christen abstaining.

Introduction of Guests

LaNessia Ballinger, Wendy Eberhardt, and Amber Liebhart, teachers of the district, were introduced.

JT Thomas entered the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

District Evaluations

Alice Heidenwith reviewed the Early Childhood Education Evaluation.

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Tennille Banner reviewed the School Climate Evaluation.

Dallas Halley reviewed the At-Risk Evaluation.

Katy Foster moved, second by Brody Fude, to approve the Early Childhood Education, School Climate, and At-Risk Evaluations. Motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

Administrator's Report

Elementary Principal's Report

Mrs. Heidenwith reported 94.9% attendance for January in the Elementary with 146 students enrolled. Mrs. Heidenwith attended Empower Ed Session with Sue Herrera on effective use of state testlets. Formal observations continue. School Counselor's Week was celebrated February 2nd-6th.

Professional Development with Step Up working on curriculum and MAP PD for 3rd through 5th grade teachers was rescheduled for February 10th. The 100th day of school was celebrated on February 12th. Valentines parties were held on February 13th.

Office referrals were discussed. Star Early Literacy/Star Reading Data and Star Math Data were discussed.

High School Principal's Report

Mr. Halley presented overall attendance of 91% and enrollment of 123 students in January. Behavior reports were discussed. Star Data and Grade Reports were discussed. Mr. Halley discussed implementing Tier 2 Intervention.

Mr. Halley presented an update on High School events and activities. FFA has five State Degrees. FFA Proficiency Awards were as follows: four students earned 1st place, one student earned 3rd place, and one student placed in the top 10 at Auctioneer Camp. Band has 31 members. Art Club has 46 members. Varsity Girls Basketball has nine players, placed first in the Novinger Tournament, and third in the Milan Tournament. Varsity Girls have a record of 14-8 and received 3rd seed in Districts. Varsity Boys Basketball has 11 players, placed first in the Novinger and Milan tournaments, and placed third in the LaPlata Tournament. Varsity Boys have a record of 18-5 and received 1st seed in Districts. Varsity Cheerleading has 10 participants. Dance has four participants. NHS inducted nine High School students and 14 Junior High students.

Mr. Halley plans to take students to NCMC in Trenton for a college visit this semester. Sophomores will visit the Kirksville Area Technical Center on Thursday to view options for next year's courses.

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Superintendent Report

Tennille Banner gave an update on the District.

- The Mobile Dental Unit will be on-site Thursday. This service is under an agreement with the Health Council out of Kirksville.
- Bus Inspections are scheduled for March 6th.
- Mrs. Banner attended the MUSIC Conference regarding building and liability insurance. Member districts have experienced price increases for several years. These are partially due to major natural disasters impacting schools and large amounts of claims regarding Sexual Misconduct across the state.
- The district is reaching out for bids for brick work to be completed on the south side of the building. Bids are expected for next month's board meeting.
- The district is also reaching out for bids to replace the drop ceiling in the High School Science classroom. This ceiling was not replaced during the last renovation and needs replacing over the summer.

Old Business

CSIP Changes

Tennille Banner presented changes to the Green City R-I CSIP Plan. Thomas Christen moved, second by Katy Foster, to approve the changes as presented to the Green City R-I CSIP Plan. Motion carried 6-0.

New Business

Approve 2026-2027 School Calendar

Tennille Banner presented the School Calendar for the 2026-2027 school year. Brody Fude moved, second by Sean Ernst, to approve the 2026-2027 School Calendar as presented. Motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

Health Insurance Move to OSBA

Tennille Banner presented the district's current options for employee insurance. Thomas Christen moved, second by Brody Fude, to join OSBA as the Health Insurance Consortium beginning with the 2026-2027 school year. Motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

Insurance Rates for 2026-2027 School Year

The 2026-2027 OSBA insurance rates were presented. Brody Fude moved, second by Katy Foster, to approve the following health insurance plan employee rates:

- Blue Preferred HMO/POS \$882.00
- 1000/2000 Choice PPO \$834.00
- 1500/2500 Choice PPO \$794.00
- 2500/3500 Choice PPO \$765.00
- 3400/3400 Choice HSA \$745.00
- 4000/5000 Choice HSA \$687.00

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- 4500/6000 Choice HSA \$662.00
- 6000/7000 Choice HSA \$610.00

The board tabled the decision on the amount to pay per month per employee for a later meeting. Motion carried 6-0.

Multi-Year Budgetary Outlook

Tennille Banner presented a multi-year budgetary outlook and historical summary.

LaNessia Ballinger, Wendy Eberhardt, and Amber Liebhart left the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

Thomas Christen moved, second by JT Thomas, to enter Executive session to discuss RSMo 610.021.13 Personnel and RSMo 610.021.03 Hiring Personnel at 7:08 p.m. with a roll call vote of Christen-yea, Ernst-yea, Foster-yea, Fude-yea, Hatcher-absent, Salas-yea, Thomas-yea.

The Board reconvened Open Session at 8:32 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be Thursday, March 12, 2026 at 5:30 p.m.

Brody Fude motioned to adjourn at 8:33 p.m. Motion was second by JT Thomas. The motion carried with a vote of 6-0.

President, Board of Education

Secretary, Board of Education