

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE NEW LONDON BOARD OF EDUCATION
AT THE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
Wednesday, December 10, 2025**

PRESENT: K. Batten, M. Grossman, N. Grundy, J. Heideman, C. Martinson, H. Schweitzer, and A. Thorpe.

(H. Schweitzer joined the meeting remotely.)

I. VISITORS AND COMMUNICATION (PUBLIC FORUM)

Roseanne Sanderfoot, N5462 Obertin Rd., New London, WI 54961, spoke with enthusiasm on the topic of the recommended High School Course Description Guide.

II. CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

The meeting was called to order at 6:00p.m. by J. Heideman, President. The pledge of allegiance was led by J. Heideman. A quorum was established.

III. Consent Agenda.

It was moved by C. Martinson and seconded by A. Thorpe to approve the consent agenda items A and D as presented. Items E and F will be discussed in closed session. Motion carried.

Passed: 7 to 0

IV. Reports

The calendar, director reports, and student representative report were reviewed. M. Grossman expressed interest in learning more about how a line item on tax bills could be used to communicate voucher expenses to community members.

V. Vouchers/Receipts

For vouchers: It was moved by M. Grossman and seconded by N. Grundy to approve voucher as presented in the amount of \$4,259,593.82 as per list of December 4, 2025. Motion carried.

Roll Call Vote:

	AYE	Nay
K. Batten	x_____	_____
M. Grossman,	x_____	_____
N. Grundy,	x_____	_____
J. Heideman,	x_____	_____
C. Martinson,	x_____	_____
H. Schweitzer	x_____	_____
A. Thorpe.	x_____	_____

J. Heideman noted receipts from the receipt register of December 4, 2025, in the amount of \$6,292,316.88

VI. Unfinished Business

None

VII. New Business

A. Review and Potential Approval of the 2026-2027 High School Course Description Guide.

Motion by C. Martinson second by K. Batten to approve 2026-2027 High School Course Description Guide. Motion carried.

Passed: 7 to 0

- B. Review and Potential Approval of the WIAA Boys Co-op Hockey Agreement 2026-2027 / 2027-2028 Motion by M. Grossman, seconded by A. Thorpe, to approve the WIAA Boys Co-op Hockey Agreement for 2026-2027 and 2027-2028. Currently, four high school boys participate in the co-op program. Motion carried.

Passed: 7 to 0

- C. Discussion on 2026 Wisconsin Association of School Boards Annual Resolution Recommendations.

Discussion and rationale, as well as voting intentions for the upcoming WASB Delegate Assembly, were established.

**2026 WASB Resolution Summary
School District of New London review**

<i>Resolution</i>	<i>Potential Position</i>	<i>Rationale</i>
Opposing the Removal of Caps from the Wisconsin Parental Choice System	Support	Lifting caps would continue to strain current funding processes, limit available resources, and further challenge localized funding equity among all public school districts.
Revisions to the School District and School Report Card Process	Support	Consistent year-to-year data analysis is critical for understanding the root causes that support or detract from District and School Report Card outcomes.
Amendment to Resolution 5.22 Funds Distribution	Neutral	Qualify and create efficiencies
Amendment to Resolution 1.26 Authority to Schedule Referenda	Against	Local school community control should have flexibility when deemed appropriate.
Substance Abuse Disorder and Treatment Aid	Neutral	Additional targeted resources could be beneficial locally. (Vaping)
Vocational Transition for Students with Disabilities	Support	Brings further clarity forward for resolution intent.
Universal State Covered Meals	Neutral/N	Local control and services may be jeopardized as well as choice. Universal access for all could be deemed as a positive
Public Education Endowment Fund	Support	A lot of moving parts to the conceptual idea. Overall funding derived from Wisconsin to ensure appropriate public school funding for tomorrow and beyond is forward thinking.

Amendment to Resolution 3.241 “Early Childhood Education Funding & Public Private Partnerships	Neutral/Support	Our collaborative agreement with the Daycare works for New London. Added additional childcare centers for 4K would create inefficiencies because there are only so many students in the area. We receive 3K funding for special education students now. The new Get Kids Ready Initiative funnels money to daycares for 4K students, likely pulling students from our district 4K program. The daycare/private 4K programs would not be required to follow DPI or district guidelines, and these students could be less prepared to enter kindergarten than our students who attend our public 4K.
Supporting "Decoupling" of Public and Private School Funding	Support	More transparent representation of the school property tax bill.
Opposing “Decoupling” of Public and Private School Funding	No	Since the voucher program is not 100% reimbursed and New London’s transfer is just less than \$1.4 million the decoupling shows the actual public school tax levy. The resolution suggests that “de-coupling” would create a new stream of state budget appropriation for private schools but the combination takes away from public schools.
Encouraging Schools to Participate in WIAAPolicymaking	Neutral	Bylaws, policy recommendations, and amendments are currently voted on by the WIAA member schools at the Annual Meeting through district representation. Additionally, WASB holds a designated seat on the WIAA Board of Control

VIII. CLOSED SESSION

Pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(c), Wis. Stats., the Board of Education will convene in closed session to discuss the continued employment of certified, support, and co-curricular staff

members over which the Board has jurisdiction and exercises responsibility. (pp. 19-21)

Pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(c), Wis. Stats., the Board of Education will convene in closed session to discuss the employment and compensation of certified and co-curricular staff members over which the Board has jurisdiction and exercises responsibility. (pp. 22-24)

Pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(f), Wis. Stats., the Board of Education will convene in closed session for the purpose of considering personal information concerning financial, medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, except where par. (b) applies which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data.

It was moved by K.Batten and seconded by N. Grundy to enter into closed session pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes as listed on the agenda at 7:38p.m. Motion carried.

Roll Call Vote:

	AYE	Nay
K. Batten	x_____	_____
M. Grossman,	x_____	_____
N. Grundy,	x_____	_____
J. Heideman,	x_____	_____
C. Martinson,	x_____	_____
H. Schweitzer	x_____	_____
A. Thorpe.	x_____	_____

IX. Reconvene in Open Session

It was moved by C. Martinson and seconded by N. Grundy to enter open session at 8:03p.m.p.m. Motion carried.

Passed: 7 to 0

III.Consent Agenda

e. Approval of Resignaton of Personnel

It was moved by N. Grundy and seconded by K. Batten.to approve the following resignation as presented

- Chaselyn Worlund High school Varsity Soccer Coach. Motion carried.

Passed: 7 to 0

F. Approval of Employment of Co-Curricular Personnel

It was moved by A. Thorpe and seconded by M. Grossman.to approve employment of co-curricular personnel as presented. Motion carried.

- Approve three additional assistant ice fishing coach positions.and salary adjustmet to head ice fishing coach
- Approve additional assistant bowling coaches for the high school and middle school seasons.
 - Dave Dorsey
 - Al Tank

- Kevin Kryszak
- Shawn Buelow
- Mollie Dehart

Passed: 7 to 0

It was moved by N. Grundy and seconded by A. Thorpe to approve the employment of personnel as presented: Motion carried.

- Molly Hermes, Sugar Bush Elementary Secretary

Passed: 7 to 0

X. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by C. Martinson and seconded by A. Thorpe to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 p.m. Motion carried.

Passed: 7 to 0

Katie Batten, Vice President