

**Dongola Unit School #66**  
 Board of Education Meeting  
 January 29, 2026

These minutes are unofficial until approved by the Board of Education.  
 Dana Eddleman called the Regular Board of Education Meeting to order at **6:30pm**

**1. CALL TO ORDER-ROLL CALL-RECITE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

<b>Phil Miller</b>	<b>Cherie Wright</b>	<b>Dana Eddleman</b>	<b>Brenda Hogue</b>	<b>Mark Eddleman</b>	<b>David Gaddis</b>	<b>Tyler Eddleman</b>
Present	Present	Present via phone	Present	Present	Present	Present

**Others Present:** Superintendent Dr. Paige Maginel, Dr. Ellie Rush, Joni Lewis, Jamie Flores, Michael Sadler, Salina Sadler, Sierra Eddleman, Richard Michael, Patti Williamson, Jeff Williamson, Stephanie Zinn, Skyli Zinn, Hayden Ethridge, Mikila Bean, Jersey Wright, Kelsi Wright, Bailey Griffin

**2. APPROVAL OR AMENDING OF AGENDA**

Motion made by **Brenda Hogue** seconded by **Cherie Wright** to approve the agenda as printed.

**Vote:**

<b>Phil Miller</b>	<b>Cherie Wright</b>	<b>Dana Eddleman</b>	<b>Brenda Hogue</b>	<b>Mark Eddleman</b>	<b>David Gaddis</b>	<b>Tyler Eddleman</b>	<b>Motion</b>
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Carried

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Salina & Michael Sadler – spoke about softball signups, 7 are signed up

Haden, Mikila, Jersey, Kelsi - Spoke in support of keeping High School Softball at Dongola

Richard Micheal introduced himself as the new Village of Dongola President

Skyli spoke in support of a co-op with Vienna for High School Softball

**4. REPORTS**

Motion made by Cherie Wright seconded by Phil Miller to approve the Consent Agenda. **Vote:**

Phil Miller	Cherie Wright	Dana Eddleman	Brenda Hogue	Mark Eddleman	David Gaddis	Tyler Eddleman	Motion
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Carried

**PRINCIPAL'S REPORT**

Motion made by Brenda Hogue seconded by Tyler Eddleman that Prom be held Saturday, May 2.

**Vote:**

Phil Miller	Cherie Wright	Dana Eddleman	Brenda Hogue	Mark Eddleman	David Gaddis	Tyler Eddleman	Motion
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Carried

**SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

Motion made by Mark Eddleman seconded by Cherie Wright to approve the Non-Certified Seniority list.

**Vote:**

Phil Miller	Cherie Wright	Dana Eddleman	Brenda Hogue	Mark Eddleman	David Gaddis	Tyler Eddleman	Motion
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Carried

**5. NEW BUSINESS**

Motion made by Phil Miller seconded by Mark Eddleman to approve the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade trip to Holiday World on May 20, Eric & Jessi Hoffman & Erin Gaddis as chaperones.

**Vote:**

Phil Miller	Cherie Wright	Dana Eddleman	Brenda Hogue	Mark Eddleman	David Gaddis	Tyler Eddleman	Motion
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Carried

Motion made by Mark Eddleman seconded by Tyler Eddleman to continue playing High School Softball at Dongola (7 girls are signed up to play).

**Vote:**

Phil Miller	Cherie Wright	Dana Eddleman	Brenda Hogue	Mark Eddleman	David Gaddis	Tyler Eddleman	Motion
No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Carried

Motion made by Cherie Wright seconded by Mark Eddleman to reschedule the March meeting to Mon. March 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Vote:**

Phil Miller	Cherie Wright	Dana Eddleman	Brenda Hogue	Mark Eddleman	David Gaddis	Tyler Eddleman	Motion
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Carried

**6. CLOSED SESSION**

Motion made by Cherie Wright seconded by Mark Eddleman to go into Closed Session at 7:17pm For **Exception 1:** The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body, or to hear testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee to determine its validity.

**Exception 9:** Student disciplinary cases. **Exception 10:** The placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students.

**Exception 11:** Pending, probable, or imminent litigation. **Exception 21:** Discussion of minutes lawfully closed under this Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06.

**Vote:**

Phil Miller	Cherie Wright	Dana Eddleman	Brenda Hogue	Mark Eddleman	David Gaddis	Tyler Eddleman	Motion
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Carried

Motion made by Mark Eddleman seconded by Brenda Hogue to return to open session at 8:35pm.

**Vote:**

Phil Miller	Cherie Wright	Dana Eddleman	Brenda Hogue	Mark Eddleman	David Gaddis	Tyler Eddleman	Motion
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Carried

**7. ACTION ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS**

Motion made by Cherie Wright seconded by Mark Eddleman to approve the closed session minutes from **December 18, 2025** as presented.

**Vote:**

Phil Miller	Cherie Wright	Dana Eddleman	Brenda Hogue	Mark Eddleman	David Gaddis	Tyler Eddleman	Motion
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Carried

Motion made by Cherie Wright seconded by David Gaddis to approve the Semi-Annual Review of Closed Session Minutes.

**Vote:**

Phil Miller	Cherie Wright	Dana Eddleman	Brenda Hogue	Mark Eddleman	David Gaddis	Tyler Eddleman	Motion
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Carried

Motion made by Cherie Wright seconded by Brenda Hogue to renew Janice Michael Secretary Contract.

**Vote:**

Phil Miller	Cherie Wright	Dana Eddleman	Brenda Hogue	Mark Eddleman	David Gaddis	Tyler Eddleman	Motion
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Carried

Motion made by Cherie Wright seconded by Phil Miller to renew Jamie Flores Secretary Contract.

**Vote:**

Phil Miller	Cherie Wright	Dana Eddleman	Brenda Hogue	Mark Eddleman	David Gaddis	Tyler Eddleman	Motion
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Carried

Motion made by Cherie Wright seconded by Phil Miller to renew Joni Lewis Bookkeeper Contract.

**Vote:**

Phil Miller	Cherie Wright	Dana Eddleman	Brenda Hogue	Mark Eddleman	David Gaddis	Tyler Eddleman	Motion
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Carried

Motion made by Cherie Wright seconded by Brenda Hogue to accept the resignation of Addison Dillow.

**Vote:**

Phil Miller	Cherie Wright	Dana Eddleman	Brenda Hogue	Mark Eddleman	David Gaddis	Tyler Eddleman	Motion
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Carried

Motion made by Cherie Wright seconded by Brenda Hogue to accept the resignation of Joshua Buss at the end of the 2025-2026 school year.

**Vote:**

Phil Miller	Cherie Wright	Dana Eddleman	Brenda Hogue	Mark Eddleman	David Gaddis	Tyler Eddleman	Motion
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Carried

Motion made by Cherie Wright seconded by Phil Miller to hire Viola Brown as Paraprofessional.

**Vote:**

Phil Miller	Cherie Wright	Dana Eddleman	Brenda Hogue	Mark Eddleman	David Gaddis	Tyler Eddleman	Motion
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Carried

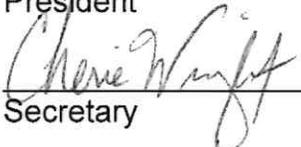
**8. ADJOURN**

Motion made by Tyler Eddleman seconded by Mark Eddleman to adjourn at 8:40pm  
**Vote:**

Phil Miller	Cherie Wright	Dana Eddleman	Brenda Hogue	Mark Eddleman	David Gaddis	Tyler Eddleman	Motion
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Carried

  
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