Independent School District #771
Chokio-Alberta Public School
Official Minutes

Regular School Board Meeting **Monday, September 21, 2026**
7:00 p.m. Chokio

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Christina Pederson followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present were: Christina Pederson, Matt Westerman, Heidi Brethorst, Chandler Erickson and Steve Howe. Members absent: Mark Gibson. Others present: Tate Jerome(Supt), Adam Foslien(Prin.)Amanda Marty, Kayla Kirchner and Blake Stoltman (Bus. Mgr).

Motion by Steve Howe seconded by Heidi Brethorst to approve the agenda.
Motion Carried Unanimously (5-0).

Motion by Matt Westerman seconded by Chandler Erickson to approve the regular meeting minutes from August 10, 2026.
Motion Carried Unanimously (5-0).

Financial Report given by Blake Stoltman.

Motion by Heidi Brethorst seconded by Matt Westerman to approve setting the Levy Limitations and Certification Hearing for December 7, 2026 at 6:30pm at Chokio-Alberta school.
Motion Carried Unanimously (5-0).

Motion by Chandler Erickson seconded by Steve Howe to approve the Preliminary 2026 Payable 2027 Tax Levy certifying the 'maximum' by roll call vote.

Mark	not present	Heidi	X
Matt	X	Chandler	X
Christina	X	Steve	X

Motion Carried Unanimously (5-0).

Motion by Matt Westerman seconded by Heidi Brethorst to approve the August bills totaling $110,571.38.
Motion carried Unanimously (5-0).

Personnel Items:

a) Motion by Chandler Erickson seconded by Matt Westerman to approve Rylee Hanson as a Para-Professional, Tier 2.
Motion Carried Unanimously (5-0).
b) Motion by Steve Howe seconded by Heidi Brethorst to approve Madeline Skibicki as a part-time Para-Professional, Tier 1.
Motion Carried Unanimously (5-0).
c) Motion by Matt Westerman seconded by Chandler Erickson to approve Jessica Ayres as a part-time Para-Professional, Tier 2.
Motion Carried Unanimously (5-0).
d) Motion by Chandler Erickson seconded by Matt Westerman to approve Henry Hickman as a Spartan Sparks Daycare Assistant at the starting student rate of $12.60/hr.
Motion Carried Unanimously (5-0).

e) Motion by Steve Howe seconded by Matt Westerman to approve Marshall Ehrp as a Spartan Sparks Daycare Assistant at the starting student rate of $12.60/hr.
Motion Carried Unanimously (5-0).

PRINCIPAL FOSLIEN REPORT

a) Enrollment PreK-6th=107, 7th-12th=59
b) 90% Attendance for PreK-6th.
c) 10th-12th to College Fair in Morris
d) Parent-Teacher Conferences on Oct. 12th
e) Elementary Parent-Teacher Conferences
f) Cameras installed and active
g) Bus Safety

SUPERINTENDENT JEROME REPORT

a) September is School Board Recognition Month

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS – none given

Motion by Steve Howe seconded by Chandler Erickson to adjourn the meeting.
Motion carried Unanimously (5-0).

Next Meeting: Monday, October 20, 2025 @ 7:00pm

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Matt Westerman, Board Vice-Chair