

East Central Center for Exceptional Children

A Special Education Cooperative Serving the School Districts of Carrington, Kensal, Fessenden-Bowdon, Midkota, New Rockford-Sheyenne, Oberon, Pingree-Buchanan,

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Last updated 2/18/26 at 8:30 a.m.

DATE: Wednesday, February 11th, 2026

TO: East Central Board Members

FROM: Ashly Wolsky, Director

RE: Board Meeting

WHEN: Wednesday, February 18th, 2026

TIME: 11:00 a.m.

WHERE: East Central Center for Exceptional Children

AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER

- **Establish quorum**
- **Welcome**
- **Roll Call discussion**
- **Additions to Agenda**
- **Recognize Guests/Public Comment**
- **Approval of Minutes**
- **Financial Reports and Bills**

1. Approval of Minutes: Regular Board Meeting minutes from Tuesday, January 20th, 2026.

- a. Information: a copy of Regular Board Meeting minutes from January 20th, 2026.
- b. Recommendation: I recommend the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting from January 20th, to be approved as presented.

2. Review of Financial Reports

- a. Information: a copy of the financial report from February is provided.
- b. Recommendation: I recommend the financial report for February to be approved as presented.

3. Approval of Bills Payable, including payroll

- a. Information: a copy of the bills and payroll from February are provided.
- b. Recommendation: I recommend the bills and payroll from February to be paid as presented.

II. REPORTS TO BOARD

Director's report:

- Updated request for schedules, caseloads, ESY info, and staffing projections for next year all be housed in one Google Folder (link provided-does contain confidential information)
- Schedule: school team meetings planning for the 2026-27 school year
- Teacher contracts to be distributed early March, work agreements to follow based on student needs
- Continued recruitment for SLPs currently and for the 2026-27 school year
- Teacher evaluations to be completed 4/15, feedback requested from admin
- Case managers to complete paraprofessional evals 4/30, recommended to request feedback from classroom teachers that the paras support, in addition to admin if pertinent
- NRS preschool, non-renewal of lease agreement for 2026-27, recommendation to advertise space immediately
- Zones of Regulation survey for case managers to complete; submission to ND DPI PIER Tool
- Pre-ETS grant (Transition) now requires progress reports for every student that is being funded through the grant
- Transition Coordinator 2026-27

-Updates from ND DPI:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ZyddxT-IFEh6yg6X5rcMTVMrz8MgPO_RzC0I0IQLoaUg/edit?usp=sharing

-Medicaid billing update for service minutes (34 minutes or less=50% reimbursement starting February); submitted concern regarding best practice of short sessions rather than 35+ minutes—**may cause a hit to the Unit**

-Preschool Screening Schedule:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1K9dz9F-pnXxLMKn4_d8tGyG7BTbqCTCT-zDJNYt11yA/edit?usp=sharing

-Fessenden-Bowdon screening completed on 2/13/26: 4 students screened

-Preschool Screening Flyer:
https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ZIRouPti-F1HMq6e_prb3sUj0riBIOXezgWxdXnVsgo/edit?usp=sharing

-National CEC Conference March 11-14th Salt Lake City, Utah, request for additional funds to cover full cost of conference; foregoing state conference to attend national conference

-2 special ed teachers attending the State CEC Conference

-Hosting All State Director Meeting March 2nd at the Chieftain in Carrington

Board President report:

III. OTHER

Teacher report-paperwork

IV. ITEMS RECOMMENDED FOR BOARD ACTION

Request of additional funds to cover National Conference for director

V. ADJOURNMENT

Next board meeting date: Wednesday, March 18th, 2026

Next Finance Committee meeting Tuesday, February 24th, 2026 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.