



North Central Special Education Cooperative

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Unapproved minutes for the North Central Special Education Cooperative meeting on Monday, February 2, 2026 NCSEC Conference Room #212 (NSU Campus) – 10:30 am

- Meeting was called to order at 10:31 am
- Members Present: Joe Schwan (Groton), Jeff Clark (Hitchcock-Tulare), Kevin Kunz (Edmunds Central), Mike Kroll (Warner), Shad Storley (Langford), Rob Lewis (Northwestern), Domenic Paolo (Leola), and Jeff Kusters (Frederick)
- Members Absent: Jeremy Wieseler (Doland)
- Approve Agenda – **Warner/Frederick (carries)**
- Disclosure of Conflict of Interest (If Any): **None**
- Public Input: **None**
- ACTION ITEMS (Consider, discuss and take all necessary action on the following items):
 1. Approval of Minutes, Financial Statements, and Bills: **Frederick/Hitchcock-Tulare (carries)**
 - Minutes from January 5, 2026
 - Approve bills and financial statements from January 2026
- INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS:
 1. Caseload Summary:
 - Caseloads were reviewed and a handout was provided for each district.
 2. District Calendars for 2026-2027:
 - Please send approved district calendar when it is finalized to NCSEC.
 3. Set Negotiations Date:
 - Tentative Date of March 30, 2026
 4. Restraint & Seclusion Tools:
 - ASPEN
 - Safety Care
 5. SPED Tools:
 - Woodcock-Johnson V – New Online version
 - DALs by Pearson – Digital Access Library
 - SPED Forms – Demo date scheduled for Feb 11th @ 2:00 PM
 - SPED Advantag/Medley – Demo date scheduled for Feb 9th @ 3:30 PM
 6. 2025-2026 Evaluations – cut off for new referrals would be middle of March
 7. Trainings/Important Dates:
 - SPED Conference:

Doland*Edmunds Central*Frederick*Groton Area*Hitchcock Tulare
Langford Area*Leola*Northwestern Area*Warner

- March 3-4, 2026, in Sioux Falls
 - March 2 – Administrator Strand
 - Early Childhood Conference:
 - April 9-10, 2026 in Rapid City
 - NSU Job Fair:
 - February 10, 2026
 - Aberdeen Area SPED Director Meetings:
 - KO Lee Library
 - February 25, 2026
 - April 15, 2026
8. Upcoming Screenings:
- Doland 5 year-old: February 13, 2026
 - Northwestern 5 year-old: February 20, 2026
 - Langford 3 & 5 year-old: February 27, 2026

Executive Session: SDCL 1-25-2(1) Personnel/Director's Evaluation and SDCL 1-25-2(4) Negotiations
 In: **Leola/Warner at 11:04 am (carries)**
 Out: The board came out of executive session at 11:23 am

Adjournment at 11:24 AM – **Frederick/Warner (carries)**

Upcoming Board Meetings:

- Governance Board Meeting:
 - Monday, February 2, 2026, at 7:00 PM – NCSEC Conference Room – NSU Graham Hall Rm # 212
 - Tuesday, April 7, 2026, at 7:00 PM – NCSEC Conference Room – NSU Graham Hall Rm. #212
- Regular Advisory Board Meeting:
 - Monday, March 9, 2026, at 10:30 AM: NCSEC Conference Room on NSU Campus.