

Tuesday, January 28, 2025  
January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m.  
Board of Education/Professional Development Room  
Located in the Front of the Building  
Enter through the Main Entrance, Door 1 - Flagpole Entrance  
Zion-Benton Township High School  
3901 W 21st Street  
Zion IL 60099

## 1. Opening of Meeting

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Subject : A. Call to Order - President Nordstrom  
Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.  
Category : 1. Opening of Meeting  
Type : Procedural  
Subject : B. Roll Call  
Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.  
Category : 1. Opening of Meeting  
Type :  
Subject : C. Pledge of Allegiance  
Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.  
Category : 1. Opening of Meeting  
Type : Procedural

## 2. Staff, Student, and Community Celebration

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Subject : A. ZB PRIDE Awards  
Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.  
Category : 2. Staff, Student, and Community Celebration  
Type : Information

## Public Content

### File Attachments

[January 2025 ZB P.R.I.D.E..pdf \(55 KB\)](#)

## 3. Communications from Staff, Guests and District Residents

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Subject : A. Board President Statement  
Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR

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Category : 3. Communications from Staff, Guests and District Residents  
Type : Procedural

## Public Content

District 126 is committed to an equitable, respectful learning environment where bullying, harassment, racism, sexism, and hate speech have no place; please partner with us in fostering a positive community.

Subject : B. Public Comment  
Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.  
Category : 3. Communications from Staff, Guests and District Residents  
Type : Information

## Public Content

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**Public comments are welcomed and encouraged. Public comments will be kept to 3 minutes per individual.

## 4. Consent

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Subject : A. Minutes from Prior Meeting - Regular Board of Education Meeting - December 2024  
Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.  
Category : 4. Consent  
Type : Action (Consent)

## File Attachments

[12.17.24 BOE Regular Board Meeting.docx \(2\).pdf \(207 KB\)](#)

Subject : B. Treasurer's Report-December 2024  
Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.  
Category : 4. Consent  
Type : Action (Consent)  
Subject : C. Asset Disposal Request  
Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.  
Category : 4. Consent

Type : Action (Consent)  
Recommended Action : Recommendation: The Board of Education accepts the Superintendent's recommendation to authorize the administration to dispose of the old MakerBot 3D printer as presented.

## File Attachments

[Asset Disposal Request January 2025.pdf \(268 KB\)](#)  
[Disposal 5365.pdf \(60 KB\)](#)

Subject : D. Activity Board Reports- December 2024  
Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.  
Category : 4. Consent  
Type : Action (Consent), Reports  
Fiscal Impact : Yes  
Budgeted : Yes  
Budget Source : Activity Funds

## Public Content

### File Attachments

[Board Activity Report.pdf \(1,013 KB\)](#)

Subject : E. Revenue and Expenditure Summary- December 2024  
Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.  
Category : 4. Consent  
Type : Action (Consent), Reports

## Public Content

### File Attachments

[Expenditure Summary Report.pdf \(67 KB\)](#)  
[Revenue Summary Report.pdf \(65 KB\)](#)

Subject : F. Bills Paid- 2nd Half December, 1st Half January 2025  
Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.  
Category : 4. Consent  
Type : Action (Consent)

Fiscal Impact : Yes  
Budgeted : Yes  
Budget Source : General Funds

## Public Content

### File Attachments

[2nd Half Bills Paid.pdf \(101 KB\)](#)  
[Bills Paid 1st Half.pdf \(82 KB\)](#)

Subject : G. Bills Payable- January 2025  
Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.  
Category : 4. Consent  
Type : Action (Consent)  
Fiscal Impact : Yes  
Dollar Amount : \$3,177,204.35  
Budgeted : Yes  
Budget Source : General Funds

## Public Content

### File Attachments

[Open Accounts Payable.pdf \(120 KB\)](#)

Subject : H. Contractor Payout Request  
Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.  
Category : 4. Consent  
Type : Action  
Recommended Action : The Administration recommends the approval of Payout 12 for Phase II projects, in the amount of \$263,940.00 to Camosy Construction as presented. The Administration also recommends the approval of Payout 13 for Phase II projects, in the amount of \$148,913.00 to Camosy Construction as presented.

### File Attachments

[Wold Payout 12 Request Phase 2 January 2025.pdf \(3,287 KB\)](#)  
[Wold Payout 13 Request Phase 2 January 2025.pdf \(2,964 KB\)](#)

Subject : I. FOIA  
Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR

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Category :

4. Consent

Type :

Information

## File Attachments

[FOIA Emails BOE January 2025.pdf \(250 KB\)](#)

[FOIA Response James Francis January 10 2025.pdf \(312 KB\)](#)

[FOIA 01.09.25 Excel Response.xlsx \(15 KB\)](#)

[1.pdf \(4.047 KB\)](#)

Subject :

J. 2025-2026 Curriculum Recommendation - ZBE  
Earth Science

Meeting :

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Category :

4. Consent

Type :

Action (Consent)

## Public Content

### File Attachments

[FY26 Curriculum Recommendation\\_ZBE ES \(1\).pdf \(86 KB\)](#)

Subject :

K. NJROTC Contract

Meeting :

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Category :

4. Consent

Type :

Action (Consent)

### File Attachments

[DD 3202 Host School Agreement Navy FINAL 2024 Feb\[86\] \(3\).pdf \(83 KB\)](#)

[DD 3202 addendum NJROTC Navy Host School FINAL 2024 Aug\[97\] \(2\).pdf \(299 KB\)](#)

## 5. Superintendent's Report

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Subject :

A. Superintendent's Report

Meeting :

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Category :

5. Superintendent's Report

Type :

Information

Subject :

B. District 126 Electronic Device Policy Revision

Meeting :

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Category :

5. Superintendent's Report

Type :

Presentation

# Public Content

## File Attachments

[District 126 Electronic Device Policy Revision.pdf \(441 KB\)](#)

## 6. Reports and Discussion

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Subject : A. ZB Principal Report  
Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.  
Category : 6. Reports and Discussion  
Type : Reports

# Public Content

## File Attachments

[January 2025 ZBTHS Principal's Report \(1\).png \(2,127 KB\)](#)

Subject : B. Zion-Benton East Principal's Report  
Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.  
Category : 6. Reports and Discussion  
Type : Information

# Public Content

## File Attachments

[Jan 2025 ZBE Principal's Report.pdf \(171 KB\)](#)

## 7. Board Committee Reports

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Subject : A. Business, Bid, Finance Committee  
Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.  
Category : 7. Board Committee Reports  
Type :  
Subject : B. Personnel Committee  
Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.  
Category : 7. Board Committee Reports  
Type :  
Subject : C. Curriculum Committee

Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.

Category : 7. Board Committee Reports

Type :

Subject : D. Policy Committee

Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.

Category : 7. Board Committee Reports

Type :

## 8. New Business

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Subject : A. Approval of Bond Tax Exempt Compliance Report

Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.

Category : 8. New Business

Type : Action

Recommended Action : The Board of Education accepts the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the Bond Tax Compliance Report as presented.

### File Attachments

[Tax Compliance Report Letter BOE January 2025.pdf \(270 KB\)](#)

Subject : B. Authorize Superintendent to Prepare 2025-2026 Tentative Budget

Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.

Category : 8. New Business

Type : Action

Recommended Action : The Board of Education accepts the Superintendent's recommendation to authorize the Superintendent to prepare the 2025-2026 Tentative Budget.

### File Attachments

[Authorization to prepare tentative budget BOE January 28 2025.pdf \(246 KB\)](#)

Subject : C. Approval of Summer 2026 Improvement Proposal

Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.

Category : 8. New Business

Type : Action

Recommended Action : The Board of Education accept the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the Wold proposal and move forward into the design phase for the Summer 2026 project

scope.

## File Attachments

[2025.01.14 Letter to Jim Woell - 2026 Improvements \(3\).pdf \(235 KB\)](#)

Subject : D. Appointment of Authorized Agent  
Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.  
Category : 8. New Business  
Type : Action  
Recommended Action : The Board of Education accepts the Superintendents recommendation to appoint Dr. James J. Woell as the IMRF Authorized Agent.

## File Attachments

[Appointment of Authorized Agent IMRF 2025.pdf \(912 KB\)](#)

Subject : E. Press Plus 117 Policy Update - 1st Reading  
Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.  
Category : 8. New Business  
Type : Action

## File Attachments

[Zion-Benton THSD 126 - Drafts - 1 10 2025.pdf \(333 KB\)](#)

Subject : F. 7-151 Safe Haven Policy- 1st Reading  
Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.  
Category : 8. New Business  
Type : Action

## File Attachments

[Policy 7\\_151.pdf \(112 KB\)](#)

Subject : G. Safe Haven Resolution  
Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.  
Category : 8. New Business  
Type : Action  
Recommended Action : The Board of Education accepts the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the Resolution declaring Zion-Benton Township High School District 126 be a Safe Haven School District as presented.



## File Attachments

[D126 Safe Haven Resolution .docx.pdf \(117 KB\)](#)

Subject : H. Approval of 2025-2026 School Calendar  
Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.  
Category : 8. New Business  
Type : Action, Discussion, Information  
Recommended Action : The Board of Education of Zion-Benton Township High School District 126 accepts the superintendents recommendation to approve the 2025-2026 school calendar as presented.

## Public Content

### File Attachments

[25-26 Calendar Memo 1.28.25.docx.pdf \(84 KB\)](#)

[25-26 Cal list January 2025 Revised .docx - Google Docs.pdf \(83 KB\)](#)

[2025-26 SY Calendar 1.28.25 At a Glance.pdf \(150 KB\)](#)

[2025-26 SY Calendar 1.28.25 Staff Notes.pdf \(306 KB\)](#)

Subject : I. Approval of Substitute Rate Increase  
Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.  
Category : 8. New Business  
Type : Action  
Recommended Action : The Board of Education accepts the Superintendent's recommendation to approve the Substitute Rate Increase as presented.

## 9. Other Business

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Subject : A. Capital Improvements Update  
Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.  
Category : 9. Other Business  
Type : Information

### File Attachments

[BOE Memo 01 28 2025 Capital Improvements Update 2024 2025 Projects \(1\).pdf \(253 KB\)](#)

Subject : B. Facilities Master Plan Update  
Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.  
Category : 9. Other Business  
Type : Information

## File Attachments

[25\\_0122 FMP Committee Meeting 05 - Minutes.pdf \(125 KB\)](#)

### 10. Closed Session

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Subject : A. Motion to go into Closed Session for consideration of: appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees; and collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives; or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees; (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1,2).

Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.

Category : 10. Closed Session

Type : Action

Recommended Action : Motion to go into Closed Session for consideration of: appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees; and collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives; or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees; (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1,2).

### 11. Reconvene to Open Session

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Subject : A. Reconvene to Open Session

Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.

Category : 11. Reconvene to Open Session

Type : Action

Recommended Action : Motion reconvene to Open Session

### 12. Personnel Approvals

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Subject : A. Approval of Personnel Report

Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.

Category : 12. Personnel Approvals

Type : Action

Recommended Action : Motion to accept the Superintendents recommendation to approve the personnel report as presented.

### 13. Adjournment

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Subject : A. Adjourn the Meeting

Meeting : Jan 28, 2025 - January 28, 2025 - REGULAR MEETING - 6:00 p.m.

Category : 13. Adjournment

Type :

Procedural