

ESU #1 BOARD MEETING
April 14, 2009

A meeting of the ESU #1 Board of Directors convened in open and public session on Tuesday, April 14, 2009, at 5:30 p.m. at the ESU #1 Central Office, Wakefield, Nebraska. The following members were present or absent:

Present: Joy Bock, Sally Reinert, Pat Nauroth, Dave Dowling, Fred Boelter, Ronnie Wenstrand, Rodney Garwood, Kelly Ballinger and Rich Higgins. **Absent:** Wayne Goeden and Linda Steele

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication and/or posting in accordance with the Board approved method for giving notice of meetings. Notice of this meeting was given in advance to all members of the Board of Directors. The Recording Secretary maintains a list of news media requesting notification of meetings and advance notification to the listed media of the time and place of the meeting and the subjects to be discussed at this meeting was provided. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the publicized notice and a current copy of the Agenda was maintained as stated in the publicized notice. All proceedings of the Board of Directors, except as may be hereinafter noted, were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Audience: ESU #1 Early Childhood Professional Development Coordinator Susan Strahm was in attendance and distributed general and training information related to her program.

Call Meeting to Order. Chairman Dowling duly called the meeting to order. Newly seated members Pat Nauroth and Sally Reinert signed the Oath of Office and Code of Ethics for ESU #1 Board Members documents as presented.

A. Announcement of Open Meetings Act Posting

At the beginning of this meeting, the Chairman announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is available at the meeting.

B. Approval of Agenda. Motion by Wenstrand, second by Garwood, to approve the April 14, agenda as presented. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Bock, Higgins, Nauroth, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand and Garwood; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 8-0.

Kelly Ballinger arrived at 5:42 p.m.

C. Consent Agenda. Motion by Higgins, second by Bock, to approve all items on the consent agenda as provided (March 16, Minutes; Financial Reports; Treasurer's Report, April Bills of \$673,083.15, minus the bill of \$58,001 to Northeast Nebraska Insurance Agency that will be acted on in a separate motion and Administrator's Report). After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Bock, Higgins, Ballinger, Nauroth, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand and Garwood; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 9-0.

Chairman Dowling moved Agenda Item G. (Property/Liability Insurance) to follow Agenda Item C. (Consent Agenda)

G. Property/Liability Insurance. Motion by Garwood, second by Reinert, to approve the payment of \$58,043 to Northeast Nebraska Insurance Agency for the 2009-10 policy period (\$58,001 General Fund and \$42 Coop Purchase). After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Bock, Higgins, Ballinger, Nauroth, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand and Garwood; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 9-0.

- D. Public Comment. None
- E. NAHPLC Transition. Administrator Uhing updated the Board on the Transition process from the NAHPLC Model to the AdvancEd Model.
- F. A/V & Computer Repair Contract. Motion by Boelter, second by Ballinger, to approve the Independent Service Contract with George Hefner d.b.a. Hefner Electronics at a rate of \$48/hour for academic year 2009-10. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
- For:** Bock, Higgins, Ballinger, Nauroth, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand and Garwood; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 9-0.
- H. PowerSchool Contract. Motion by Garwood, second by Boelter, to approve the Independent Contract with Sharon Van Cleave for the PowerSchool Project beginning on or about December 7, 2009. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
- For:** Bock, Higgins, Ballinger, Nauroth, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand and Garwood; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 9-0.
- I. Specialty Contracts. Board received a listing of the 2009-10 Professional and Licensed Staff.
- J. Smartfilter School Costs. Motion by Higgins, second by Boetler, to approve the expense of \$5,680.96 to fund the ESU #1 schools' cost of Smartfilter for 29 months for the period of April 14, 2009 through August 23, 2011. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
- For:** Bock, Higgins, Ballinger, Nauroth, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand and Garwood; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 9-0.
- K. Negotiations. Administrator Uhing updated the Board on the 2009-10 negotiation process.
- L. Personnel. Motion by Wenstrand, second by Boelter, to move into Executive Session at 6:17 p.m. to discuss Agenda Item L. (Personnel). After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
- For:** Bock, Higgins, Ballinger, Nauroth, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand and Garwood; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 9-0.

Board reconvened into Open Session at 6:23 p.m.

Motion by Wenstrand, second by Ballinger, to accept with regret the resignations of Dori Heitz (Sp/Lg Pathologist), Beth Nohr (Sp/Lg Pathologist) and Roberta Mehrer (School Psychologist) upon the completion of their 2008-09 contract. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Bock, Higgins, Ballinger, Nauroth, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand and Garwood; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 9-0.

Motion by Higgins, second by Boelter, to approve the Voluntary Reduction in contracts for academic year 2009-10 as requested by staff members Jessica Fischer (1.00 FTE to .60 FTE), Carol McGuire (1.00 FTE to .80 FTE) and Stephanie Jensen (.80 FTE to .60 FTE). After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Bock, Higgins, Ballinger, Nauroth, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand and Garwood; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 9-0.

M. Adjournment. Motion by Dowling, second by Ballinger, to adjourn at 6:25 p.m. Unanimous approval received.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lisa Salmon".

Lisa Salmon, Recording Secretary

Ronnie Wenstrand, Board Secretary

Next Meeting @ ESU #1 (Wakefield) ~ Tuesday, May 12, 2009