

ESU #1 BOARD MEETING
August 14, 2007

A meeting of the ESU #1 Board of Directors convened in open and public session on Tuesday, August 14, 2007, at 5:30 p.m. at ESU #1 in Wakefield, Nebraska. The following members were present or absent:

Present: Joy Bock, Wayne Goeden, Linda Steele, Stan Copple, Rich Higgins, Dave Dowling, Fred Boelter, Ronald Wenstrand, Rodney Garwood and Kelly Ballinger. **Absent:** None

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.

Call Meeting to Order. The meeting was duly called to order.

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 posted on the entryway of the meeting room.

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

For: Bock, Goeden, Steele, Copple, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood, and Ballinger
Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 10-0

C. Consent Agenda. Motion by Garwood, second by Boelter, to approve all items on the consent agenda as provided (June 12, Minutes; Financial Reports; Treasurer's Report, August Bills of \$541,371.18, and Administrator's Report). After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Bock, Goeden, Steele, Copple, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood, and Ballinger
Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 10-0

D. Approve June Grant Checks. Motions by Copple, second by Steele, to approve the listing of June grant checks totaling \$39,974.81. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Bock, Goeden, Steele, Copple, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood, and Ballinger
Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 10-0

E. Approve June Treasurer's Report. Motion by Garwood, second by Boelter, to approve the June Treasurer's Report as presented. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Bock, Goeden, Steele, Copple, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood, and Ballinger
Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 10-0

F. Approve July Expenditures. Motion by Wenstrand, second by Ballinger, to approve the July expenditures totaling \$581,981.03. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Bock, Goeden, Steele, Copple, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood, and Ballinger
Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 10-0

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- G. Hot Lunch Appointment. Motion by Boelter, second by Copple, to appoint Stuart Clark as the Hearing Office and Myrna Wacker Tuttle as the Manager for the Hot Lunch Program at Tower School. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Bock, Goeden, Steele, Copple, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood, and Ballinger
Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 10-0

- H. Van Delivery Contract. Motion by Higgins, second by Wenstrand, to approve an Independent Contract with Donna Nelson for van delivery service at \$1.25/mile for academic year 2007-08. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Bock, Goeden, Steele, Copple, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood, and Ballinger
Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 10-0

- I. Specialty Staff Contracts. Motion by Garwood, second by Steele, to increase the 2007-08 annual salary of Core Service/Technology staff by \$350 per F.T.E. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Bock, Goeden, Steele, Copple, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood, and Ballinger
Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 10-0

- J. Adjusting Benefit Language. Motion by Garwood, second by Higgins, to approve the health benefit change for 12 month classified staff (245 day) due to the change in EHA requirements.

Single Health/Single Dental ~ Full Premium Paid by Employer
Family Health/Single Dental ~ Full Family Premium, minus 50% single premium (pd. By employee)

New Employee Benefit (12 month ~ 245 days):
Full Single Health/Single Dental
Family Health/Single Dental premium paid for 1st year employee is 65% of total premium
Family Health/Single Dental premium paid for 2nd year employee is 75% of total premium
Family health/single dental premium paid for 3rd year and beyond is amount annually set by Board

After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Bock, Goeden, Steele, Copple, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood, and Ballinger
Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 10-0

- K. Insurance Umbrella Coverage. Motion by Boelter, second by Higgins, to approve an increase in the ESU #1 Umbrella coverage to \$4,000,000 effective September 1, 2007. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Bock, Goeden, Steele, Copple, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood, and Ballinger
Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 10-0

- L. ESU Election Districts. Administrator Uhing presented the options for defining Election Districts and after discussion by the Board, it was determined that Chairman Dowling would work with the Administration to outline the Election Districts and present a proposal to the Board.

- M. AESA Conference. Administrator Uhing informed members of the dates and requested interested parties notify him if they planned to attend the conference.

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- N. Budget Parameters/1% Approval. Motion by Higgins, second by Ballinger, to exceed the budget limit for fiscal year 2007-08 by an additional 1%. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Bock, Goeden, Steele, Copple, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood, and Ballinger
Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 10-0

- O. Additional August Bills. Motion by Garwood, second by Goeden, to authorize the additional expenditure of up to \$65,000 on August 31, 2007 to close out the 2006-07 fiscal year. This amount will not include transfer funds required. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Bock, Goeden, Steele, Copple, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood, and Ballinger
Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 10-0

- P. Personnel. Motion by Garwood, second by Ballinger, to approve the 2007-08 contracts for the following individuals:

Shelly Skogstad ~ School Psychology Intern (190 Days)
Heather Barron-Galvan ~ School Psychology Intern (190 Days)
Jennifer Bensen ~ Early Childhood Teacher @ Wakefield Family Resource Center (185 Days)
Cathy Schroeder ~ Speech/Language Pathologist (185 Days)

After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Bock, Goeden, Steele, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand and Garwood
Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 7-0

The Board was informed of the following changes to Classified Staff:

Resignations: Heidi Ankeny and Kelli Soden ~ Paraeducators @ Tower School
New Hire: Cecilia Zegers and Carly Salmon ~ Paraeducators @ Tower School

- Q. Adjourn. Motion by Dowling, second by Ballinger, to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 p.m. Unanimous approval received.

Lisa Salmon, Recording Secretary

Ronnie Wenstrand, Board Secretary

Next Meeting:

Tuesday, September 11 @ ESU #1

Budget Hearing
Hearing to Set Final Tax Request
Internet Usage Policy Hearing
Student Fee Policy
Regular Board Meeting

5:30 p.m.
Immediately following Budget Hearing
Immediately following Hearing to Set Final Tax Request
Immediately following Hearing on Internet Usage Policy
Immediately following Hearing on Student Fee Policy