

ESU #1 Board Minutes
Wakefield, NE 68784
August 12, 2014

Student Fee Policy Hearing

A public hearing of the ESU #1 Board was held on August 13, 2014, at 5:25 p.m. at the Central office in Wakefield, NE. The purpose of the special public hearing was to review, discuss, consider, and receive input and suggested modifications to the Student Fee Policy. Notice of the hearing was given in advance by publication and/or posting in accordance with the required method for giving notice of hearings.

Present: Adrian (AJ) Johnson, Rhonda Heise, Nancy Kirkholm, Sally Reinert, Dave Dowling, Fred Boelter, Ronnie Wenstrand, Rod Garwood and Tom Luxford. **Absent:** Tom Luxford, Rich Higgins and Joy Bock.

Audience: None

Hearing closed at 5:30 p.m. A meeting will be held immediately following all published hearings to take such action as the ESU #1 Board may deem appropriate.

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Lisa Salmon,
Recording Secretary

ESU #1 BOARD MEETING
August 12, 2014

A meeting of the ESU #1 Board of Directors convened in open and public session on Tuesday, August 12, 2014, at 5:30 p.m. at ESU #1 in Wakefield, Nebraska.

Present: Adrian (AJ) Johnson, Rhonda Heise, Nancy Kirkholm, Sally Reinert, Dave Dowling, Fred Boelter, Ronnie Wenstrand, Rod Garwood and Tom Luxford. **Absent:** Rich Higgins and Joy Bock

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: None

Call Meeting to Order.

A. Notification of Open Meetings Law

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 site.

B. Board Member Roll Call. Recording secretary completed roll call of board members. Motion by Reinert, second by Kirkholm, to excuse the absence of Joy Bock and Rich Higgins. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Johnson, Kirkholm, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood, Luxford and Heise;
Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 9-0.

C. Approval of Agenda. Motion by Boelter, second by Garwood, to approve the August 12, 2014, agenda as presented. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Johnson, Kirkholm, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood, Luxford and Heise;
Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 9-0.

D. Consent Agenda. Motion by Heise, second by Luxford, to approve all items on the consent agenda as provided (June 10, 2014 Minutes; Financial Reports; Treasurer's Report, August 15, Bill Listing of \$617,463.06 and Administrator's Report). After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Johnson, Kirkholm, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood, Luxford and Heise;
Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 9-0.

E. Public Comment. None

F. September Meeting Date. Motion by Garwood, second by Reinert, to change the September meeting date from September 9 to September 16, due to the budget timelines. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Johnson, Kirkholm, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood, Luxford and Heise;
Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 9-0.

G. Central Office Upgrades. Administrator Uhing provided an update on the mechanical and electrical upgrades completed at the Central office. Board members were welcome to stay after the meeting for a tour.

H. Tower School Upgrades. Administrator Uhing gave a brief overview of the upgrades completed at Tower School and provided additional information related to the installation of security cameras throughout the building. Motion by Boelter, second by Dowling, to approve the DSN EnviroSystems & Surveillance estimate of \$16,797 for installation of security cameras. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Johnson, Kirkholm, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood, Luxford and Heise;
Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 9-0.

I & J. Student Fee Policy & Anti-Bullying Policy. Motion by Reinert, second by Johnson, to approve the current ESU #1 Student Fee Policy and Anti-Bullying Policy, with no modifications necessary. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Johnson, Kirkholm, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood, Luxford and Heise;
Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 9-0.

Due to the early departure of Member Rod Garwood, Chairman Dowling moved Agenda Item S. (Budget Parameters) to K. and all remaining agenda items to follow in order.

S. Budget Parameters. Motion by Dowling, second by Boelter, to exceed the budgeted limit for fiscal year 2014-15 by an additional 1%. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Johnson, Kirkholm, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood, Luxford and Heise;
Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 9-0.

K. Nebraska Education Vision. Administrator Uhing summarized the July 9, 2014 meeting that was held to discuss the Nebraska Education Committee's vision of education in Nebraska. Participants at the meeting were superintendents from ESUs 1, 2 7, 8 and 17.

L. Central Office Storm Shelter. Administrator Uhing discussed the need for storm shelter space for the Central office. The Board authorized Administrator Uhing to pursue options available and present them to the Board at a future meeting.

M. Distance Education Agreement. Motion by Wenstrand, second by Heise, to approve the \$53,800 DL Membership Fee contract with ESU #2 for 16 school districts and \$2,600 for ESU #1. After discussion, the Board voted as follows:

For: Johnson, Kirkholm, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Luxford and Heise; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 8-0.

- N. Tower Janitorial Services. Motion by Boelter, second by Johnson, to approve a contract with Sparkling Klean at a rate of \$1,500 per month for janitorial services at Tower School. After discussion, the Board voted as follows:
- For:** Johnson, Kirkholm, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Luxford and Heise; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 8-0.
- O. Approve Additional June Grant Checks. Motion by Wenstrand, second by Luxford, to approve the listing of June grant checks dated 6/26/14 and totaling \$64,532.05. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
- For:** Johnson, Kirkholm, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Luxford and Heise; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 8-0.
- P. Approve June Treasurer's Report. Motion by Dowling, second by Heise, to approve the June Treasurer's Report as presented. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
- For:** Johnson, Kirkholm, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Luxford and Heise; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 8-0.
- Q. Approve July Expenditure. Motion by Boelter, second by Reinert, to approve the listing of July checks totaling \$650,290.10. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
- For:** Johnson, Kirkholm, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Luxford and Heise; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 8-0.
- R. Hot Lunch Appointments. Motion by Dowling, second by Heise, to approve Stuart Clark as the Hearing Officer and Myrna Wacker Tuttle as the manager for the Tower School hot lunch program. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
- For:** Johnson, Kirkholm, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Luxford and Heise; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 8-0.
- T. Additional August Bills. Motion by Reinert, second by Kirkholm, to authorize the expenditure of up to \$400,000 on August 31, 2014 to close out the 2013-14 fiscal year (general fund and grant funds). A report of final expenditures will be presented at the September meeting. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
- For:** Johnson, Kirkholm, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Luxford and Heise; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 8-0.
- U. Personnel. Motion by Johnson, second by Heise, to approve 2014-15 contracts with School Psych Intern Holly Pedersen (152 days) and contract increases for Sp/Lg Pathologists' Doreen Heitz (.60 to .80 FTE) and Joni Foster-McFee and Carol McGuuire (.80 to 1.00 FTE). After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
- For:** Johnson, Kirkholm, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Luxford and Heise; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 8-0.

V. Adjournment. As there were no additional agenda items, Chairman Dowling declared the meeting adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

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

Lisa Salmon, Recording Secretary

Ronnie Wenstrand, Board Secretary

Next Meeting ~ Tuesday, September 16, 2014 @ 5:30 p.m.