

ESU #1 BOARD MEETING
February 12, 2008

A meeting of the ESU #1 Board of Directors convened in open and public session on Tuesday, February 12, 2008, at 5:30 p.m. at ESU #1 in Wakefield, Nebraska.

Present: Joy Bock, Linda Steele, Rich Higgins, Dave Dowling, Fred Boelter, Ronnie Wenstrand, Rodney Garwood and Stan Copple

Absent: Kelly Ballinger and Wayne Goeden

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. The meeting was duly called to order.

A. Announcement of Open Meetings Act Posting

At the beginning of this meeting, the Chairperson 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 Steele, second by Higgins, to approve the February 12, agenda as presented. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Bock, Steele, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood and Copple

Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 8-0

C. Consent Agenda. Motion by Wenstrand, second by Copple, to approve all items on the consent agenda as provided (January 8, Minutes; Financial Reports; Treasurer's Report, February Bills of \$457324.77, and Administrator's Report). After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Bock, Steele, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood and Copple

Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 8-0

D. Public Comment. No Public Comment.

E. Audit Report. Motion by Garwood, second by Boelter, to accept the 2006-07 Audit report as presented. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Bock, Steele, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood and Copple

Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 8-0

F. Nebraska Association of School Board Dues. Motion by Garwood, second by Steele, to approve the annual membership fee of \$712 to NASB (Nebraska Association of School Board Members). After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Bock, Steele, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood and Copple

Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 8-0

- G. Legislation. Administrator Uhing reviewed current legislation that may have an impact on ESU's or school districts statewide.
- H. ESU #1 Continuous Improvement Process. Administrator Uhing distributed information related to the Continuous Improvement Process undertaken by ESU #1. Timelines for meetings with various focus groups, a data retreat and the external visitation were shared with the Board.
- I. Specialty Contracts. Motion by Garwood, second by Higgins, to approve the 2008-09 contracts and wages for the following individuals based on an administrative recommendation: Wade Fruhling (SRS Technology Trainer/Coordinator), Dawn Litt (SRS Technology Trainer), Susan Strahm (Early Childhood Regional PD), Jim Hopkins (Computer Technologist), Lanita Recob (Technology Trainer), Shannon Collin, Amy Hill and Rhonda Jindra (Staff Developers), Angela Hansen, Chris Hanson-Harder and Laurie Smith (Occupational Therapists), Liz Peden (COTA), Staci Fethkenher and Katie Naslund (Physical Therapists). After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Bock, Steele, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood and Copple

Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 8-0

- J. Personnel. Motion by Wenstrand, second by Steele, to accept, with regret, the retirement of Margaret Roush (speech/language pathologist) at the end of contract year 2007-08. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Bock, Steele, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood and Copple

Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 8-0

Administrator Uhing notified the Board of the following classified staff changes.

Hires:

Kortney Test, Paraeducator @ WFRC effective 1/18/08

Morgan Cemper, Paraeducator @ Tower S/P effective 1/22/08

Rachel Borer, Paraeducator @ Tower S/P effective 1/28/08

Resignations:

Jessica Patrie, Sign Lg Interpreter @ Bloomfield effective 1/10/08

Bobbie Druyor, Paraeducator @ WFRC/Tower effective 1/8/08

- K. Adjourn. Motion by Higgins, second by Copple, to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 p.m. Unanimous approval received.

Lisa Salmon, Recording Secretary

Ronnie Wenstrand, Board Secretary

**Next Meeting @ ESU #1 (Wakefield)
Tuesday, March 11, 2008**