

ESU #1 BOARD MEETING
March 8, 2016

A meeting of the ESU #1 Board of Directors convened in open and public session on Tuesday, March 8, 2016, at 5:30 p.m. at ESU #1 in Wakefield, Nebraska.

Present: Adrian (AJ) Johnson, Sally Reinert, Jeff Messersmith, Dave Dowling, Ronnie Wenstrand, Tom Luxford and Rhonda Heise. **Absent:** Joy Bock, Helen Sorensen, Rodney Garwood, and Fred Boelter

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:

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 Wenstrand, second by Messersmith, to excuse the absence of Joy Bock, Helen Sorensen, Rodney Garwood and Fred Boelter. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
- For:** Johnson, Reinert, Messersmith, Dowling, Wenstrand, Luxford and Heise; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None;
Motion Carried: 7-0.
- C. Approval of Agenda. Motion by Reinert, second by Johnson, to approve the March 8, 2016, agenda as presented. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
- For:** Johnson, Reinert, Messersmith, Dowling, Wenstrand, Luxford and Heise; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None;
Motion Carried: 7-0.
- D. Consent Agenda. Motion by Heise, second by Luxford, to approve all items on the consent agenda as provided (February 9, 2016 Minutes; Financial Reports; Treasurer's Report; March 15, bill listing of \$791,614.10 and Administrator's Report). After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
- For:** Johnson, Reinert, Messersmith, Dowling, Wenstrand, Luxford and Heise; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None;
Motion Carried: 7-0.
- E. Public Comment.
- F. Verification of Successful Teaching. Motion by Wenstrand, second by Messersmith, to approve the Successful Teaching of the following ESU #1 staff members whose teaching certificate will expire on August 31, 2016: Sp/Lg Pathologists ~ Pam Barnes, Janette Deck, Jeanne Hill, Haley Schmidt, Janine Carlow and Ashley Tapper; School Psychologists ~ Jenny Pattee, Cody Smith, Jennifer Waterman, Kim Benorden and Billie Sitzmann; ECSE Teachers ~ Jessica Bertschinger and Sara Ruwe; Staff Developer ~ Christine Good; and PE Teacher ~ Caleb Mattson. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
- For:** Johnson, Reinert, Messersmith, Dowling, Wenstrand, Luxford and Heise; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None;
Motion Carried: 7-0.

- G. Core Service Projections. Administrator Uhing distributed the Draft copy of the Core Service projections for 2016-17.
- H. Network Nebraska Update. Motion by Messersmith, second by Reinert, to approve the Internet bandwidth increase from 3000Mb to 4,250Mb for 2016-17, resulting in an estimated \$996/year increase per ESU, assuming a 60% E-rate discount. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
For: Johnson, Reinert, Messersmith, Dowling, Wenstrand, Luxford and Heise; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None;
Motion Carried: 7-0.
- I. Priority School Update. Administrator Uhing updated the Board on the recent meetings held related to Priority School Santee Public.
- J. Technology Equipment User Agreement. Motion by Dowling, second by Wenstrand, to approve the ESU #1 Administrative plan related to a Technology Equipment User Agreement as presented. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
For: Johnson, Reinert, Messersmith, Dowling, Wenstrand, Luxford and Heise; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None;
Motion Carried: 7-0.
- K. AdvancED Visit. Motion by Heise, second by Johnson, to approve the ESU #1 AdvancED process as reviewed by Administrator Uhing. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
For: Johnson, Reinert, Messersmith, Dowling, Wenstrand, Luxford and Heise; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None;
Motion Carried: 7-0.
- L. Negotiations. Motion by Reinert, second by Messersmith, to approve the 2016-17 wage and benefit proposals as presented for the following staff: Administrative Team ~ Bob Uhing, Stuart Clark and Lisa Salmon; PT/OT Licensed Staff ~ Angela Hansen, Chris Hanson-Harder, Lauren Pink Elman, Laurie Smith, Chelsea Spangler, Staci Fethkenher and Kristine Kleve; Specialty Staff ~ Sarah Hansen (SPED Consultant), Arianne Conley (School Nurse), Ryan Stansberry (LAN Manager), Scott McIntosh (Public Relations/Technology) and Susan Strahm (Regional ECPD Coordinator); Core Service Staff ~ Jim Hopkins, Rhonda Jindra, Amy Hill, Kellen Conroy and Chris Good. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
For: Johnson, Reinert, Messersmith, Dowling, Wenstrand, Luxford and Heise; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None;
Motion Carried: 7-0.
- M. Personnel. Motion by Messersmith, second by Johnson, to approve the resignation of Speech/Language Pathologist Jenna Napierala-Simonsen at the end of contract year 2015-16. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
For: Johnson, Reinert, Messersmith, Dowling, Wenstrand, Luxford and Heise; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None;
Motion Carried: 7-0.
- N. Adjournment. As there were no additional agenda items, Chairman Dowling declared the meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.



Lisa Salmon, Recording Secretary

Ronnie Wenstrand, Board Secretary

Next Meeting ~ Tuesday, April 12, 2016 @ 5:30 p.m.