

**ESU #1 BOARD MEETING
November 13, 2007**

A meeting of the ESU #1 Board of Directors convened in open and public session on Tuesday, November 13, 2007, at 5:30 p.m. at ESU #1 in Wakefield, Nebraska. The following members were present or absent:

Present: Joy Bock, Linda Steele, Rich Higgins, Dave Dowling, Fred Boelter, and Rodney Garwood.

Absent: Wayne Goeden, Kelly Ballinger, Stan Copple and Ronald Wenstrand

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 Bock, second by Higgins, to approve the November 13, agenda as presented. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

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

Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 6-0

C. Consent Agenda. Motion by Boelter, second by Steele, to approve all items on the consent agenda as provided (October 9, Minutes; Financial Reports; Treasurer's Report, October Bills of \$558,835.51, and Administrator's Report). After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

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Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 6-0

D. Public Comment. No Public Comment.

E. ESU Election Districts.

ESU #1 Election District Resolution

Whereas the Nebraska Unicameral has required all Educational Service Units in the state to divide their territory into at least five and up to twelve numbered districts for the purpose of electing members to the board; and

Whereas, the Educational Service Unit #1 Board has divided its territory into eleven districts as reflected on the attached map and narrative description; and

Whereas, the proposed districts are compact and contiguous and substantially equal in population; and

Whereas the Board of Educational Service Unit #1 believes that it is in the best interest of the Unit to adopt the election districts as reflected on the attached map and narrative description;

NOW THEREFORE, the Board hereby adopts the districts as reflected on the attached map, and directs the Administrator of this Educational Service Unit to provide a copy of this resolution and the attached map and narrative description to the Nebraska Secretary of State's office as required by statute.

After the above Resolution was read in its entirety, Board Member Rodney Garwood moved for its adoption by the Board; Board member Rich Higgins seconded the motion. The following members voted in favor of the Resolution: Linda Steele, Rich Higgins, Dave Dowling, Fred Boelter, Rodney Garwood and Joy Bock. The following members voted against the Resolution: None. The following members were absent or did not vote: Wayne Goeden, Stan Copple, Ronnie Wenstrand and Kelly Ballinger.

After the Resolution was approved by a majority of the members of the Board of Educational Service Unit #1 at a duly held, properly publicized and lawfully convened meeting, the Board Chairman declared this Resolution passed and adopted.

- F. Distance Education Coordinator Agreement. Motion by Garwood, second by Steele, to approve the Distance Education Coordinator Agreement as presented. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Bock, Steele, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter and Garwood
Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 6-0

Board member Kelly Ballinger arrived at 5:50 p.m.

- G. Staff Development/Technology Position. Motion by Garwood, and second by Ballinger, to authorize Administrator Uhing to pursue the addition of a staff development/technology position for the 2008-09 academic year subject to available funds. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

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

- H. ESU #1 & #8 Cooperative Planning. Board discussion held related to cooperative planning with ESU #8.

- I. 2008 Mileage Rate. Administrator Uhing reported that the IRS has not yet released the 2008 mileage rate as of this date. This item will appear on the December agenda as an action item.

- J. Tower School Update. Administrator Uhing and Building & Grounds members Rod Garwood and Rich Higgins reported to the Board on the Tower School needs assessment.

- K. Administrator's Evaluation. Board discussion and this item will appear on the January 2008 agenda.

- L. Personnel. Motion by Garwood, and second by Boelter, to approve a .60 FTE teaching contract with Chris Salmon effective November 19, 2007 as a Speech/Lg. Pathologist. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

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Against: None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 7-0

Motion by Higgins, and second by Boelter, to approve the resignation of Speech/Lg. Technician Latoya Stanton effective November 9, 2007. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

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

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

Hires:

Cynthia D Husmann, Paraeducator @ Tower School S/P Program effective 10/24/07
Bobbie Druyor, Paraeducator @ Wakefield Family Resource Center effective 10/4/07
Maria Dimas, EDN Secretary/Interpreter @ So. Sioux City, effective 10/22/07

Resignations:

Maria Dimas, EDN Secretary/Interpreter @ So. Sioux City, effective 10/23/07

M. Adjourn. Motion by Steele, second by Bock, to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 p.m. Unanimous approval received.

Lisa Salmon, Recording Secretary
Secretary

Ronnie Wenstrand, Board

Next Meeting @ Tower School (Wayne)
Tuesday, December 11, 2007

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Dated this 13th day of November 2007.

By _____
Board Chairman

Attest _____
Board Secretary