

ESU #1 BOARD MEETING
November 12, 2013

A meeting of the ESU #1 Board of Directors convened in open and public session on Tuesday, November 12, 2013, at 5:30 p.m. at ESU #1 in Wakefield, Nebraska.

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

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 Wenstrand, to excuse the absence of members Rich Higgins and Rod Garwood. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

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

C. Approval of Agenda. Motion by Wenstrand, second by Kirkholm to approve the November 12, 2013, agenda as presented. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

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

D. Consent Agenda. Motion by Reinert, second by Johnson, to approve all items on the consent agenda as provided (October 8, 2013 Minutes; Financial Reports; Treasurer's Report, November 15 Bill Listing of \$634,558.63 and Administrator's Report). After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

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

E. Public Comment.

F. Staff Development Presentation. A short video developed by the ESU #1 Staff Development Team was shown to the Board. The presentation summarized the areas of emphasis for the 2013-14 year and how the team will be supporting school districts in their effort to increase student achievement.

G. ESU #1 Schools' NeSA Results. Administrator Uhing shared the results and impact of the NeSA assessment in reading, writing, math and science scores for ESU #1 schools.

- H. Superintendent Initiatives. Administrator Uhing outlined the priorities established by the four Native American Schools in ESU #1 and the training requests by the four large school superintendents.
- I. 2014 Mileage Rate. Motion by Wenstrand, second by Heise, to apply the Federal mileage rate as it becomes effective for the calculation of commuter and business miles for the calendar year 2014. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
- For:** Bock, Johnson, Kirkholm, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Luxford and Heise; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 9-0
- J. Miscellaneous Expenditure Act. Administrator Uhing made the Board aware of the contents of the Miscellaneous Expenditure Act and how the State Auditor is interpreting the guidelines in his visits around the state. Currently ESU #1 will not be changing its process except as it relates to Federal grants.
- K. SPED Director's Evaluation. Administrator Uhing gave an overview of the SPED Director's activities throughout the year and noted that a written evaluation will be completed in the spring.
- L. Administrator's Evaluation. The evaluation instrument will be electronically distributed to the Board. After completion the member will then forward the document to Chairman Dowling.
- M. Negotiations. Administrator Uhing updated the Board on the negotiation meeting held on November 4.
- N. Personnel. Nothing to Report
- O. Adjournment. As there were no additional agenda items, Chairman Dowling declared the meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.



Lisa Salmon, Recording Secretary

Ronnie Wenstrand, Board Secretary

Next Meeting at Tower School in Wayne ~ Tuesday, December 10, 2013 @ 5:30 p.m.