

**ESU #1 BOARD MEETING**  
**November 14, 2017**

A meeting of the ESU #1 Board of Directors convened in open and public session on Tuesday, November 14, 2017, at 5:30 p.m. at ESU #1 in Wakefield, Nebraska.

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

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. Announcement of Open Meetings Act Posting

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 Garwood, second by Reinert, to excuse the absence of members Adrian (AJ) Johnson and Jeff Messersmith. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

**For:** Oswald, Sorensen, 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 Heise, to approve the November 14, 2017 agenda as presented. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

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

D. Consent Agenda. Motion by Reinert, second by Luxford, to approve all items on the consent agenda as provided (October 10, 2017 Minutes; Financial Reports; Treasurer's Report, November Bills of \$1,107,263.05 and the Administrator's Report). After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

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

E. Public Comment.

F. December Expenditures. After Board discussion, the December 12 meeting will be held at the Central office.

G. Native American Consortium Report. Administrator Heimann provided an update on the annual Native American Symposium held at Wayne State College on November 6.

H. ESU #1 Construction Project Administrator Heimann reported on the status of the construction project.

I. Financial Audit. The ESU #1 local audit will begin on November 15 and the State Audit will begin the week of December 4 or December 11.

- J. Mileage Rate. Motion by Dowling, second by Reinert, to apply the federal mileage rate as it becomes effective for the calculation of commuter and business miles for the calendar year 2018. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
- For:** Oswald, Johnson, Sorensen, Reinert, Messersmith, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand and Garwood; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 9-0.
- K. EHA Insurance Rates. Administrator Heimann reported that the EHA rates for 2018-19 will remain the same as the 2017-18 year.
- L. Administrative Cell Phone Reimbursement. Motion by Garwood, second by Boelter, to reimburse Special Education Director Stuart Clark \$75 per month for cell phone reimbursement and close the current administrative Verizon account. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
- For:** Oswald, Johnson, Sorensen, Reinert, Messersmith, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand and Garwood; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 9-0.
- M. Administrator and SPED Director Evaluation. Administrator Heimann reviewed the process and current evaluation instrument being used.
- N. Negotiations. Motion by Garwood, second by Boelter, to recognize the ESU #1 Local Association as the bargaining agent for certified staff. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
- For:** Oswald, Johnson, Sorensen, Reinert, Messersmith, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand and Garwood; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 9-0.
- O. Personnel. Classified staff changes provided as information only to the Board are noted below.  
Resignation: Migrant Ed Clerk Diana Ruiz De Leon effective November 10, 2017  
  
New Hire: Tower School Paraeducator Amber Roeber effective October 18, 2017
- P. Adjournment. As there were no additional agenda items, Chairman Dowling declared the meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

Lisa Salmon, Recording Secretary

Ronnie Wenstrand, Board Secretary

**Next Meeting ~ Tuesday, December 12, 2017 @ 5:30 p.m.**