

**ESU #1 BOARD MEETING**  
**October 11, 2011**

A meeting of the ESU #1 Board of Directors convened in open and public session on Tuesday, October 11, 2011, at 5:30 p.m. at ESU #1 in Wakefield, Nebraska.

**Present:** Joy Bock (5:38 p.m.), Steve Grube, Nancy Kirkholm, Sally Reinert, Dave Dowling, Fred Boelter, Ronnie Wenstrand and Rodney Garwood. **Absent:** Tom Luxford, Rich Higgins and Kelly Ballinger.

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: ESU #1 Staff Development Team ~ Rhonda Jindra, Amy Hill & Chris Good

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 Dowling, second by Garwood, to excuse the absence of members Tom Luxford, Rich Higgins, Joy Bock and Kelly Ballinger. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

**For:** Grube, Kirkholm, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand and Garwood; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 7-0

C. Approval of Agenda. Motion by Garwood, second by Reinert, to approve the October 11, 2011, agenda as presented. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

**For:** Grube, Kirkholm, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand and Garwood; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 7-0

Joy Bock arrived at 5:38 p.m.

D. Consent Agenda. Motion by Boelter, second by Grube, to approve all items on the consent agenda as provided (September 13, 2011 Minutes; Financial Reports; Treasurer's Report, October Bills of \$544,836.04 and Administrator's Report). After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

**For:** Bock, Grube, Kirkholm, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand and Garwood; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 8-0

E. Public Comment. None

F. AdvancEd Visit. The ESU #1 Staff Development Team (Rhonda Jindra, Amy Hill and Chris Good) presented a summary of information related to the AdvancEd Accreditation visit scheduled for October 16-19, 2011.

G. Additional September Expenditures. Motion by Wenstrand, second by Kirkholm, to approve the additional September expenditures in the amount of \$26,993.04 paid on September 28, 2011. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

**For:** Bock, Grube, Kirkholm, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand and Garwood; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 8-0

H. Landscaping Proposal. Motion by Garwood, second by Reinert, to approve the landscaping proposal from Country Nursery in the amount of \$6,120.00 for the south side of the Central office which includes removal of sumac trees, voluntary trees, preparation of dirt for sod, expansion of lawn irrigation system and sod. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

**For:** Bock, Grube, Kirkholm, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand and Garwood; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 8-0

I. MAP Proposal. Motion by Boelter, second by Reinert, to approve an additional payment of \$37,851.25 to cover the second half of the 2011-12 MAP payment for ESU #1 participating schools, funded through School Support Projects. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

**For:** Bock, Grube, Kirkholm, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand and Garwood; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 8-0

J. Flexible Benefit Plan. Motion by Wenstrand, second by Grube, to approve the attached Resolution, which shall be considered part of the ESU #1 minutes as though contained herein. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

**For:** Bock, Grube, Kirkholm, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand and Garwood; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 8-0

K. Career Academies. Administrator Uhing reviewed the Career Academy Initiative that involves Norfolk and So. Sioux City Public Schools and ESU's 1, 2, 8, & 17. The initiative is funded through Perkins grant funds.

L. Central Office Staffing. ESU #1 is advertising for a secretary/receptionist at the Central office.

M. Tower School Vehicle Status. Administrator Uhing's presented a proposal for the sale of the Tower School van and bus.

N. Personnel. No action to report.

O. Adjournment. As there were no additional agenda items, Chairman Dowling declared the meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.



Lisa Salmon, Recording Secretary

Ronnie Wenstrand, Board Secretary

**Next Meeting ~ Tuesday, November 8, 2011 @ 5:30 p.m.**