

REGULAR BOARD MEETING.....January 9, 2014

The regular meeting of the District #90 Board of Education was called to order by President Arlan Paxton at 8:02 pm. President Paxton led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call of members present: Arlan Paxton, Toni Powers, Dean Seifer, Bob Ryland, Berva Arensdorf. Absent: Rusty Kemp. Also in attendance were Kevin and Tanya O'Brien, Kent Fisher, Angie Stickney, Jana Jameson, Todd Ascherl, Kathy Fisher, Principal Brownfield and Superintendent Sherwood. President Paxton noted that the open meetings law was posted in the room and asked if anyone was recording the meeting. No one recorded the meeting. Legal notice of the meeting was posted at the customary sites on January 3, 2014. ELECTION OF OFFICERS: Superintendent Sherwood entertained nominations for President. Seifer nominated Arlan Paxton. Rusty Kemp joined the meeting at 8:04. Arensdorf moved that nominations cease and a unanimous ballot be cast for Arlan Paxton. Voting: 5 votes for Paxton and 1 abstain. Paxton was elected. President Paxton asked for nominations for Vice President. Seifer nominated Berva Arensdorf. Powers nominated Rusty Kemp. Voting: Arensdorf - 2, Kemp - 2, Abstain - 2. After discussion a coin toss was held. Arensdorf won the toss and was elected. President Paxton asked for nominations for Secretary. Ryland nominated Toni Powers. Powers nominated Bob Ryland. Voting: Powers - 3, Ryland - 2, Abstain - 1. Powers was elected. President Paxton asked for nominations for Treasurer. Seifer nominated Rusty Kemp. Kemp nominated Dean Seifer. Voting: Kemp - 4, Seifer - 2. Kemp was elected. President Paxton made the following committee assignments: Housing/Transportation - Powers, Ryland, Negotiations/Finance - Paxton, Kemp, Americanism/Multiculturalism/Curriculum - Arensdorf, Seifer, Activities Committee - Paxton, Ryland, Seifer. The board decided there was no need for an Advertising Committee. CONSENT AGENDA: Powers moved to approve the consent agenda except for the December 9 Parent meeting minutes. Arensdorf second. Voting: aye - Powers, Arensdorf, Seifer, Ryland, Kemp, Paxton. Nay - none. Motion carried. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS: Todd Ascherl spoke to board about a survey drawn up by him concerning school climate and direction the school is headed. The surveys were distributed January 6 by community members and turned in at the courthouse and at the board meeting. Kevin O'Brien spoke about Robert's Rules on handling tie votes for elections. Angie Stickney spoke about reimbursement for an English class. REPORTS: Housing/Transportation: The repairs on the locker rooms and plumbing have begun. Negotiations/Finance: There was no report. Americanism/Multiculturalism/Curriculum: There was no report. Activities: There was no report. Principal Brownfield reported to the board about seventeen letters being mailed to families concerning missing inoculations and the availability of inoculations through West Central District Health at their visit to the courthouse on January 13. If immunizations are not brought up to date students will not be allowed to attend school. A celebration was held January 6 for all students K-12 showing their projects depicting good and bad behavior. POLICY: Powers moved to approve the second reading of Articles 1,2 and 8 with the changes to "10 calendar days", striking "board conduct" and including other suggested changes. Seifer second. Voting: aye - Powers, Seifer, Arensdorf, Kemp, Ryland, Paxton. Nay - none. Motion carried. DISCUSSION ITEMS: Plumbing in the locker rooms had been discussed under committee reports earlier in the meeting. Arensdorf moved to go into executive session to discuss the superintendent performance evaluation and teacher negotiation including Superintendent Sherwood and Principal Brownfield if needed. Powers second. Voting: aye - Arensdorf, Powers, Kemp, Ryland, Seifer, Paxton. nay - none. Motion carried. President Paxton. stated that the executive session would be limited to the discussion of superintendent performance evaluation and teacher negotiation and including Superintendent Sherwood and Principal Brownfield if needed. The board went into executive session at 8:49 pm. Kathy Fisher left the meeting. Powers began recording the minutes. Kemp moved to come out of executive session. Powers second. Voting: aye - Kemp, Powers, Arensdorf, Seifer, Ryland, Paxton. Nay - none. Motion carried. The board came out of executive session at 10:55 pm with no action taken. ACTION ITEMS: (Since the superintendent's current contract is through June 2015), Seifer moved to extend the superintendent contract through the 2015-16 year. Arensdorf seconded. Voting: aye - Seifer, Arensdorf, Paxton, Nay - Powers, Ryland, Kemp. Motion failed. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT: There is a conflict with the February board meeting date with a basketball game in Wallace. Discussion was held to determine the next meeting. Consensus was come to Wednesday, February 12 at 7:00 pm rather than Thursday, February 13. Board Items: A discussion was held and consensus gained to revisit the progress made by the superintendent, pertaining to goals set during his evaluation, and possibly taking action on the superintendent's contract extension, during the June 2014 board meeting. Seifer asked for clarification on payment of a UNL English class. Powers requested clarification on radio ads and bus transportation to and from North Platte. Paxton wonders if the Improvement Club is in touch with their organization's mission statement. Ryland wanted to know if the buses were having any issues during the recent cold snap. Arensdorf sought input from the rest of the board concerning the start time and meeting day for board meetings: this topic will be discussed at the February board meeting. Powers and Ryland had questions about classified work duties and pay issues. The next regular meeting will be February 12, 2014 at 7:00 pm CST. NOTE THE CHANGE IN DATE. Kemp moved to adjourn the meeting. Seifer second. Voting: aye -Kemp, Seifer, Ryland, Arensdorf, Powers, Paxton. Nay - none. The meeting adjourned at 11:45 pm.

The following claims were approved for payment at this meeting:

<b>Custer Public Power</b> .....	1219.45
<b>AT&amp; T</b> .....	79.11
<b>Great Plains Communications</b> .....	2229.88
<b>Excel Communications</b> .....	11.44
<b>PAYROLL</b> .....	56893.03
<b>MCHS Housing</b> .....	1269.44
<b>Nebraska Department of Revenue</b> .....	2814.95

EFTPS.....	22660.00
Blue Cross Blue Shield.....	16058.26
Nebraska Retirement System.....	16667.91
Aflac.....	1172.03
McPherson County Teacher Association.....	629.20
Culligan.....	123.18
Horace Mann.....	200.00
ESU 16.....	6807.65
Dan Brost.....	1277.48
Gary Johnsen.....	73.88
Christina Schultis.....	110.82
RaLynn Starr.....	175.46
B.E. Publishing.....	1137.81
Follett Educational Services.....	613.36
Walmart.....	212.83
Nebraska Public Health Environmental Laboratory.....	216.00
NCSA.....	250.00
Will Coffman.....	314.01
Rusty Kemp.....	289.85
Jill McNutt.....	212.56
Wayne McNutt.....	84.54
Brooklynn Publishers.....	117.00
Unified.....	525.00
MidAmerica Diesel.....	199.30
Kittle's Music.....	176.00
Menard's.....	94.84
Kelley, Scritsmier & Byrne.....	1926.63
Dana F. Cole.....	3719.50
Creative Printers.....	66.53
Hild Propane.....	420.00
Musser Well Drilling.....	427.79
Charlie's North Platte Plumbing.....	303.54
Mullen Auto & Diesel.....	90.60
Neal Oil & Auto.....	15227.59
Cengage Learning.....	1019.43
B & D Office City.....	272.15
Westfield Floral.....	20.00
Sycamore Leaf Solutions.....	1200.00
Deborah Britton.....	11326.88
MCHS Activity.....	<u>520.70</u>

TOTAL JANUARY EXPENDITURES

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Signed Monie J Powers, Secretary