

**Cass County School District 097  
Elmwood-Murdock Public Schools  
February 13, 2019**

A meeting of the Board of Education of the Elmwood-Murdock Public Schools was convened in open and public session on Wednesday, February 13, 2019 in the boardroom in the high school at Murdock. Board members Jeff Backemeyer, Dave Oehlerking, Jesse Rust, Mark Luetchens, Kathy Frahm were present. Also present was Superintendent Ryan Knippelmeyer, and administrative team members Tim Allemang, Bruce Friedrich, and Trisha Nichelson.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by posting in accordance with the Board approved method for giving notice of meetings. Notice of this meeting and the subjects to be discussed at the meeting were given in advance to all members of the Board of Education. A current copy of the agenda was maintained as stated in the publicized notice.

Board President Mark Luetchens called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Rust/Oehlerking (M/S) to approve board bills, consent agenda, and roll and excuse Meyer, motion passed 5-0.

The Board received reports from the Director of Student Services, Elementary Principal/Asst Activities Director, Secondary Principal/Activities Director and Superintendent. Topics included: District Assessment updates, Professional Development training, Avery Hogue won the Cass County Spelling Bee and 7 students qualified for state FCCLA.

Action Items:

Rust/Frahm (M/S) to approve the resignation of Mrs. Deb Novak at the end of the 2018-2019 school year. Motion passed 5-0.

Oehlerking/Backemeyer (M/S) to approve a certified teaching contract with Noah Fischer for the 2019-2020 school year as recommended by the superintendent. Motion passed 5-0.

Oehlerking/Frahm (M/S) to approve a certified teaching contract with Travis Brewer for the 2019-2020 school year as recommended by the superintendent. Motion passed 5-0.

Luetchens/Rust (M/S) to approve the 2019-2020 school calendar as presented by the Superintendent. Motion passed 5-0.

Rust/Frahm (M/S) to approve the 2019-2020 Negotiated Agreement between the Elmwood-Murdock Education Association and the Elmwood-Murdock School District as presented. Motion passed 5-0.

Backemeyer/Oehlerking (M/S) to approve the agreement with Unite Private Networks, LLC, to install fiber optic links between the Murdock and Elmwood buildings, as presented by the superintendent. Motion passed 5-0.

Oehlerking/Frahm (M/S) to approve membership to the Nebraska Association of School Boards for the 2019-2020 school year. Motion passed 5-0.

Discussion items included:

The Board discussed the adoption of Envisions, a new K-6 math curriculum for 2019-2020. Formal adoption and recommendation for approval will be at the March Regular Board Meeting.

The Board discussed the purchase of 313 Murdock Street in Murdock. Official approval of this purchase will be at the March Regular Board Meeting. Closing on this real estate purchase is scheduled for March 15, 2019.

Rust/Backemeyer (M/S) to adjourn. Motion passed 5-0; meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

The next regular Board of Education meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, March 13, 2019, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the boardroom.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Meyer, Board Secretary