Exeter-Milligan Public School Regular School Board Meeting January 13, 2016 - Exeter, Nebraska

President S. Kuska called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm. Those present were: S. Kuska, A. Gloystein, K. Jansky, A. Erdkamp, T. Pribyl, J.Zeleny, Superintendent Sheffield, and Principal Kroll. There were 10 visitors. The Nebraska Open Meetings Act was posted.

Motion by K. Jansky and seconded by A. Erdkamp to verify that this meeting of the school board of the Exeter-Milligan Public School was duly advertised and that all board members were notified as to the time and place of the meeting pursuant to board policy and practice. Motion carried 6-0.

Board members signed their "Oath of Office" statements and conflict of interest declarations.

The 2016 Board Officers are: Sharon Kuska-President, Tim Pribyl-Vice President, Annette Gloystein-Secretary, Kendra Jansky-Treasurer.

Motion by A. Erdkamp and seconded by T. Pribyl to approve the consensus agenda consisting of the treasurer's report, the minutes of the December 9, 2015 regular meeting, and the January expenditures. Motion carried 6-0.

Curricular Report

Rhoda Wahl and Valerie Barnhart, language arts teachers, gave a report on their department. They updated the board on their classes and explained some of the changes being implemented in the area of writing at all levels. A majority of the teachers have attended the "Write Tools" workshop and are utilizing the writing across the curriculum techniques learned within all subject areas and all levels. The goal is to improve writing skills to better prepare their students for college and the work force. All members of the senior class took a dual credit composition class offered through Concordia University. The content of this class was directed by Concordia University and the students attended class one day on their campus. The entire class passed and will all be able to use this as a freshman English credit at the college level.

Old Business

Building Project - Superintendent Sheffield met with the contractor who reported that the west entrances should be complete by February 6, 2016. The completion date for the entire project could be as early as June 1, 2016. After a visit from the Fire Marshal, there could be an issue concerning the fire sprinklers in the gym. We will learn more after an upcoming inspection.

The new bleachers for the stage should be installed by February 6.

Motion by J. Zeleny and seconded by K. Jansky to accept the 2016-2017 school calendar as presented. Motion carried 6-0.

The Superintendent Evaluation was distributed to the board.

New Business

President S. Kuska will be making committee assignments by the February meeting.

CRC - Friend has petitioned for membership to the CRC. The conference superintendents will meet to vote and if they vote is a ½ majority the conference school boards will then vote on the admission. This is a possible action item for the February meeting.

Board members A. Gloystein, T. Pribyl, and J. Zeleny are up for reelection. They have until February 16, 2016 to re-file. Non-incumbents have until March 1, 2016 to file.

Information/Discussion

The NASB Legislative Forum will be on Monday, February 1, 2016 in Lincoln. Board members wanting to attend should let Superintendent Sheffield know by January 22nd.

The NCSA Educational Forum Conference will be February 23 and 24, 2016 in Kearney. Superintendent Sheffield will be attending. Any board members wishing to attend should let him know.

The next regular meeting will be on Wednesday, February 10, 2016 at 7:00 pm in Milligan.

Motion by J. Zeleny and seconded by T. Pribyl to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 pm. Motion carried 6-0.

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