

Exeter-Milligan Public School
Regular Board Meeting
January 15, 2014 - Exeter, Nebraska

President S. Kuska called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM. Those present were: T. Sluka, S. Kuska, A. Gloystein, T. Pribyl, B. Moore, J. Zeleny, Superintendent Sheffield, and Principal Kroll. Visitors were: R. Wahl, R. Haider, B. Murphy, and C. Pohl. The Nebraska Open Meetings Act was posted.

Motion by A. Gloystein and seconded by T. Pribyl 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.

President S. Kuska administered the "Oath of Office" to all board members. Board officers for 2014 are: President: Sharon Kuska; Vice President: Brent Moore; Treasurer: Tom Sluka; Secretary: Annette Gloystein. Board members filled out their Conflict of Interest Declarations.

Motion by J. Zeleny and seconded by B. Moore to approve the consensus agenda consisting of the Treasurer's Report, the minutes of the December 11, 2013 regular meeting and the January expenditures. Motion carried 6-0.

Curricular Report

Rhoda Wahl, Rachel Haider, and Casey Pohl gave an excellent report on the writing curriculum for K-12.

Casey Pohl discussed coordinating the elementary program, attending workshops and sharing information in the Friday Professional Development Meetings, and using the ESU for testing aids.

Rachel Haider and Rhoda Wahl discussed how they have intensified writing courses in the 7-12 and are working to integrate writing through all courses including math and science. Writing workshops at the ESU have helped with this integration.

Old Business

No action was taken on the Separation Incentive Program.

The Building Committee has met with Clark-Enersen about a possible building project. They have also contacted several other companies but have not met with them.

Other building maintenance repairs include the gym furnace at the Milligan site and one of the Exeter site furnaces. Sewer lines were repaired at the Exeter site in the Home Economics room.

Superintendent Sheffield has talked to the school lawyer about the JPA funds. There are three options available for these funds - JPA can issue bonds and use the funds to pay those bonds, the original JPA agreement can be amended, or the JPA can be dissolved with those funds possibly transferred to the building fund. More information is needed pertaining to the transfer of JPA funds to the school building. Information was also presented about cancelling the levy override.

The Board discussed the proposed 2014-15 school calendar and tabled it until the February meeting.

Superintendent Sheffield stated he will present an "action plan" for himself based on information from the superintendent evaluation. This plan will be presented at the February meeting

Plans for the 2014-2015 Preschool are progressing. Preschool age appropriate playground equipment is needed before a

state sponsored preschool can be started. Before IDEA Base funds can be utilized to fund the project, specific plans are needed. Mr. Sheffield is working with a couple of companies to develop a playground plan.

New Business

President S. Kuska assigned board members to committees for 2014.

Motion by A. Gloystein and seconded by T. Sluka to approve EMEA as the bargaining unit for the upcoming 2015-2016 negotiations. Motion carried 6-0.

Superintendent Sheffield presented some information about the Breakfast/Lunch program. He is researching the possibility of leaving the Federal program but is still gathering more information to determine how this would affect other federal programs.

Information/Discussion

Superintendent Sheffield shared some information about several bills being presented in the legislature that would have an affect our school.

The NASB Legislative Forum will be on Monday, January 27, 2014.

The NRCSA Legislative Forum will be on Wednesday, February 19 2014.

The next regular meeting will be on Wednesday, February 12, 2014 at 7:00 PM.

Motion by T. Sluka and seconded by T. Pribyl to adjourn at 9:33 PM. Motion carried 6-0.



Annette Gloystein
Secretary

Exeter-Milligan Public School
Board Work Session
January 22, 2014

The Exeter-Milligan Board of Education met at 7:15 PM on Wednesday, January 22, 2014. Those present were: A. Gloystein, S. Kuska, T. Sluka, T. Pribyl, J. Zeleny, B. Moore, and Superintendent Sheffield. The Nebraska Open Meetings Act was posted at all locations.

This work session of the school board of Exeter-Milligan Public School was duly advertised and all board members were notified as to the time and place of the meeting pursuant to board policy and practice.

The board traveled to Friend where they were given a tour of their facilities by representatives of Clark-Enersen, the firm in charge of Friend's building and updating projects. Friend's Superintendent, Dr. Michael Moody accompanied the group on the tour.

The tour was followed by a power-point presentation by Clark-Enersen.

The board returned to Exeter and discussion followed pertaining to the possible building project.

President Kuska declared the work session over at 9:22 PM.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Annette Gloystein".

Annette Gloystein
Secretary