MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF ARAPAHOE-HOLBROOK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

A meeting of the Board of Education of Arapahoe-Holbrook Public Schools was convened in open and public session on Monday, April 10, 2023, at 7:00 PM in the Distance Learning Room, 610 Walnut Street, Arapahoe, NE 68922. The roll was called and the following Board members were present or absent: Chad Carpenter: Present, Erick Lee: Present, Nancy Schutz: Present, Dan Warner: Present,

Rodney Whipple: Present, Leigh Zodrow: Absent.

Also present was Mr. Bob Drews, Superintendent, Mr. Rudy Perez, 7-12 Principal, Mr. Benjamin Ellis, PK-6 Principal, Cassie Hilker, Board Secretary, and Student Board Representative Berkley Warner. Visitors were present.

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 Education. The Secretary of the Board maintains a list of the 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 Education, except as may be hereinafter noted, were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Opening the Meeting:

Call to Order: President Warner called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance: Berkley Warner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Nebraska Open Meetings Act: At the beginning of the meeting, President Warner announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted on the wall of the meeting room and directed the public to its location.

Publication of Meeting/Sign Acknowledgement of Receipt of Meeting Notice:

Roll Call:

Excuse Board Member Absences: Motion was made by Rodney Whipple and seconded by Erick Lee to excuse Leigh Zodrow. The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Yea, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Absent Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Welcome Visitors: Addie Jeffcoat, Kolter Eidson, and Josie Majka were attending the meeting to fulfill a graduation requirement. Michelle Rawson, Riley Dirgo, and Heidi Thomas were attending the meeting to represent AEA. Reid Stagemeyer was attending the meeting to present and answer any technology-related questions later in the meeting. Dennis Roskop, residing at 1218 4th Street in Arapahoe, NE, stated that he has a concern about the current drug and alcohol policy and he would like the board to re-evaluate the policy.

Approval of agenda as presented: Motion was made by Chad Carpenter and seconded by Rodney Whipple to approve the agenda as presented.

The motion Carried. Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Yea, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Absent Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Reports:

Board Committee(s): Carpenter stated that the Technology Committee met and that will be discussed in more detail later in the meeting. Carpenter stated that the Transportation Committee met and he reported that they plan to buy out the current lease in June 2024. The used Chevy van is at Faws. They are also looking at replacing the activity bus. They are also working on a plan for replacing 2-3 vehicles at a time vs 7 at a time. Carpenter stated that the Building & Grounds Committee met and he reported an update on the HVAC Project and the summer project list. Carpenter stated that the American Civics Committee met and reviewed the reports provided by K-12 staff. Carpenter reported that the Finance Committee met and everything looked good.

Board Member(s): Nancy Schutz stated that Teacher Appreciation Week is the 1st week of May and she would like the Board to do something for the teachers that week. The Arapahoe Chamber of Commerce will be providing a Subway lunch one day during the week (Monday). The Administrative Team also has something planned (Tuesday). The Board agreed to let Nancy take the lead on coming up with something from the Board.

Student Representatives: Berkley Warner presented the Student Board Representative Report.

Elementary Principal: Mr. Benjamin Ellis presented the Elementary Principal Report,

Secondary Principal: Mr. Rudy Perez presented the Secondary Principal Report.

Superintendent: Mr. Bob Drews presented the Superintendent Report.

Teacher Presentations: Mr. Reid Stagemeyer, Technology Teacher / Technology Director, shared some projects with the Board that students have been building and programming. They also work on various video projects, announcing school activities, and 3D printing.

Discussion Item(s):

Student Reps for Board of Education: Lee recommended reviewing the Student Board Representative Program. He suggested changing from 2 students per year to 1 student per year or eliminating the program all together. Student interest is dwindling and the cooperation with Student Council is not happening the way it was originally intended. A suggestion was to have a student council member attend every board meeting as a visitor on a scheduled rotation and they report on any concerns they or their class or the student body may have during public comment. If they have a problem to report, they would also need to report on potential solutions that they have come up with. Discussion will continue between Administration and the Student Council.

Action Item(s):

Consent Agenda, including Minutes and Financial Reports: Motion was made by Chad Carpenter and seconded by Nancy Schutz to approve the consent agenda as presented.

The motion Carried. Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Yea, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Absent Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Claims: Motion was made by Rodney Whipple and seconded by Erick Lee to approve the expenditures and payments totaling \$413,091.89 as submitted by administration to the Board. The motion Carried. Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Abstain (Claim #36152 to Hemelstrand's for \$195.57), Warner: Yea, Whipple: Abstain (Claim #36134 to ATC for \$359.14), Zodrow: Absent

Yea: 3, Nay: 0, Absent: 1, Abstain (With Conflict): 2

2023-2024 Technology Purchases: Motion was made by Rodney Whipple and seconded by Nancy Schutz to approve the technology purchases for the 2023-2024 school year totaling approximately \$40,833 as presented. The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Yea, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Absent Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Board Policies from KSB School Law: Motion was made by Chad Carpenter and seconded by Rodney Whipple to approve board policies 6004, 6005, 6008, 6009, 6010, 6011, 6012, 6013, 6016, 6018, 6020, Section 504 & Title II Procedures, Special Education Procedures, and the Library Material Review Request Form from KSB School Law as presented with implementation according to the board resolution.

The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Yea, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Absent Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Interlocal Agreement: Motion was made by Rodney Whipple and seconded by Erick Lee to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Cambridge Public School for shared Industrial Technology staffing as presented. The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Yea, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Absent Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Playground Equipment: Motion was made by Erick Lee and seconded by Rodney Whipple to approve purchase of playground equipment from Crouch Recreation, with up to \$25,000 of district funds as part of the total purchase, which will include donations from the 2023 Arapahoe Gala. The motion Carried. Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Yea, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Absent

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Personnel:

Resignation/Retirements: Motion was made by Rodney Whipple and seconded by Chad Carpenter to accept resignations from Kendra Gardner and Kaitlin Ellis, and retirement from Marcia Foley at the conclusion of the 2022-2023 school year. The motion Carried. Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Yea, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Absent Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Hiring of Jenaya Pierce: Motion was made by Rodney Whipple and seconded by Erick Lee to approve the hiring of Jenaya Pierce as a Secondary Science Teacher for the 2023-2024 school year. The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Yea, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Absent Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Hiring of Allison Sharp: Motion was made by Chad Carpenter and seconded by Erick Lee to approve the hiring of Allison Sharp as a Music Teacher for the 2023-2024 school year.

The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Yea, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Absent

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Future Meetings: Finance Committee Mtg - May 8, 2023 at 6:30pm; Regular Board Mtg - May 8, 2023 at 7:00pm.

Adjourn: Motion was made by Chad Carpenter and seconded by Erick Lee to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 pm. The motion Carried. Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Yea, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Absent Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

The meeting was duly adjourned.

DATED this Monday, April 10, 2023

ARAPHAOE-HOLBROOK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

BY: . -Lila STATIC CONTRACTOR

Dan Warner, President

ATTEST: Asil Cassie Hilker, Secretary