

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, May 12, 2025, 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, Logan Dettmann: Present, Erick Lee: Present, Nancy Schutz: Present, Dan Warner: Absent, Leigh Zodrow: Absent. Also present was Mr. Bob Drews, Superintendent, Mr. Benjamin Ellis, Elementary Principal, and Cassie Hilker, Board Secretary. 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 Carpenter called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance (Lee): Mr. Erick Lee led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Nebraska Open Meetings Act: At the beginning of the meeting, President Carpenter 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 Erick Lee and seconded by Logan Dettmann to excuse Board Members Dan Warner and Leigh Zodrow.

The motion Carried.

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

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Welcome Visitors:

Public Comment on Agenda Items:

Reports:

Student Council: Carl Nordine presented the Student Council Report.

Board Committee(s): Lee reported that the American Civics Committee met and reviewed the District's civic-related curriculum. Carpenter reported that the Finance Committee met and reviewed claims, fund balances, etc.

Board Member(s): Lee provided a legislative update.

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

Secondary Principal: Mr. Bob Drews presented the Secondary Principal Report on behalf of Mr. Perez.

Superintendent: Mr. Bob Drews presented the Superintendent Report.

Teacher Presentations: Mrs. Monie, School Counselor, shared with the Board activities that she did this school year, plans for next school year, and areas of concerns.

2025 Science Olympiad State Champions: Brooke Lentz and Will Cacy competed in Air Trajectory got 1st. Brooke shared about their experience. Ruby McCune and Desi Farner competed in Write It, Do It and got 1st. Ruby and Desi shared about their experience. Hudson Sich and Wyatt Soncksen competed in Aerial Scrambler and got 1st. Cali Gunderson was very happy with all of the performances by the Science Olympiad participants.

Discussion Item(s):

Option Enrollment: Drews shared an Option Enrollment Resolution for Policy 5004. He would like the Board to review it and provide feedback. The Board was in agreement with the discussion related to the Option Enrollment Resolution.

Cell Phone Policy: Drews stated that the legislative bill regarding student cell phones looks like it is going to pass. Schools do a variety of things to manage cell phones. The District needs to determine what their District Cell Phone Policy should look like. The consensus was to establish a policy where student cell phones are not seen or heard except for at lunchtime without having students turn them into the office. Students will be expected to keep their phones in their lockers or backpacks during the school day.

Action Item(s):

Consent Agenda, including Minutes and Financial Reports:

Motion was made by Nancy Schutz and seconded by Erick Lee to approve the consent agenda as presented.

The motion Carried.

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

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Claims:

Motion was made by Erick Lee and seconded by Logan Dettmann to approve expenditures and payments totaling \$529,232.66 as submitted by Administration

to the Board.

The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Abstain (Claim No. 39020 to W&J Repair for \$35.33), Dettmann: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Abstain (Claim No. 38992 to Hemelstrand's for \$294.81), Warner: Absent, Zodrow: Absent

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

2000 series policies:

Motion was made by Erick Lee and seconded by Nancy Schutz to affirm Policies 2001 Role of the Board of Education, 2002 Organization of the Board, Board Officers, Check Signing, and Committees, 2003 Development and Education of Board Members, and 2004 Oath of Office as presented.

The motion Carried.

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

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

3000 series policies:

Motion was made by Nancy Schutz and seconded by Chad Carpenter to affirm Policies 3003 Bidding for Construction, Remodeling, Repair, or Site Improvement, 3004 General Purchasing and Procurement, 3005 School Activities Fund, and 3007 Review of Bills as presented.

The motion Carried.

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

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Excess/surplus equipment (Chromebooks) to be sold:

Motion was made by Nancy Schutz and seconded by Erick Lee to approve the list of Chromebooks as excess/surplus equipment to be sold.

The motion Carried.

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

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Carl Dietz Consulting, LLC. agreement:

Motion was made by Erick Lee and seconded by Logan Dettmann to approve the financial services agreement with Carl Dietz Consulting, LLC as presented.

The motion Carried.

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

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

2025-2026 ESU 5 Spanish I and Spanish II Contract: Contract not ready at this time - No action at this time.

Personnel:

2025-2026 Secondary Principal Contract:

Motion was made by Erick Lee and seconded by Chad Carpenter to approve a contract with Rudy Perez as the 7-12 Principal for the 2025-2026 school year as presented.

The motion Carried.

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

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Classified Staff: Drews shared with the Board that BriAllen Sonexsen (Paraprofessional) submitted her resignation effective May 23, 2025. Christine Drews has also been hired for the temporary position of entering student health data into PowerSchool. She will also spend some time with the front office staff re-evaluating systems / processes.

Public Comment - Open:

Future Meetings: Special Meeting (Budget Workshop) - June 4, 2025 at 5:00 pm; Finance Committee Meeting - June 9, 2025 at 6:30 pm; Regular Board Meeting - June 9, 2025 at 7:00 pm.

Adjourn:

Motion was made by Logan Dettmann and seconded by Nancy Schutz to adjourn the meeting at 8:52 pm.

The motion Carried.

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

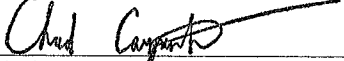
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

The meeting was duly adjourned.

DATED this Monday, May 12, 2025

ARAPHAOE-HOLBROOK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

BY:



Chad Carpenter, President

ATTEST:



Cassie Hilker, Secretary