

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, July 8, 2024, 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. 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 Warner called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance (Schutz): Mrs. Nancy Schutz 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 Chad Carpenter to excuse the absence of Board Member 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: Nate Stevens and Eli Carpenter were attending the meeting to fulfill a graduation requirement.

Public Comment on Agenda Items:

Reports:

Board Committee(s): Warner stated that the Finance Committee met and reviewed claims and fund balances.

Board Member(s): Lee stated that he attended the Leadership & Law Conference and shared the information he learned with the Board.

Elementary Principal: None.

Secondary Principal: None.

Superintendent: Mr. Drews presented the Superintendent Report.

Discussion Item(s):

Girls Wrestling: Mr. Drews stated that he had received interest in Girls Wrestling. He asked those interested to address the Board. Elena Lee, Cydney Carlson, and Natalie Breinig expressed their interest. They stated that there are a couple other high school girls interested and there is some interest in Junior High. Drews stated that the coaches could be the same for girls and boys and that practices could run at the same time. The only stipulation is that they can't wrestle each other. Drews has reached out to surrounding Districts about a Coop opportunity. There are programs in all directions. Drews recommendation is to join someone else's program by Cooping. He has reached out to Cambridge/Southwest, Southern Valley, and Hi-Line. The deadline for designating a Coop is October 1, 2024. Action would need to be taken at the August board meeting. The Board requested solid commitments from the girls wanting to participate to move forward.

Action Item(s):

Consent Agenda, including Minutes and Financial Reports:

Motion was made by Erick Lee and seconded by Chad Carpenter 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 Chad Carpenter and seconded by Rodney Whipple to approve expenditures and payments totaling \$418,710.38 as submitted by Administration to the Board.

The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Abstain (Claim No. 37863 to Hemelstrand's for \$371.46), Warner: Yea, Whipple: Abstain (Claim No. 37847 to ATC for \$363.90), Zodrow: Absent

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

Public Hearing Student Fee Policy 5045 for the 2024-2025 school year: Warner opened the hearing on Student Fee Policy 5045 at 7:41 pm. Drews reviewed changes/updates to the Student Fee Policy 5045. Motion was made by Carpenter and seconded by Schutz to close the hearing at 7:51 pm. The motion carried.

2024-2025 Student Fee Policy 5045:

Motion was made by Chad Carpenter and seconded by Rodney Whipple to approve the 2024-2025 Student Fee Policy 5045 as presented.

The motion Carried.

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

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Public Hearing Parental Involvement Policy 5018 for the 2024-2025 school year: Warner opened the hearing on the Parental Involvement Policy 5018 7:57 pm. Drews stated that no changes/updates were made to this policy. Motion was made by Carpenter and seconded by Whipple to close the hearing at 8:01 pm. The motion carried.

2024-2025 Parental Involvement Policy 5018:

Motion was made by Rodney Whipple and seconded by Chad Carpenter to approve the 2024-2025 Parental Involvement Policy 5018 as presented.

The motion Carried.

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

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Board Policy Updates:

Motion was made by Erick Lee and seconded by Chad Carpenter to approve the Board Policy updates as presented.

The motion Carried.

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

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Substitute Teacher Rates for 2024-2025:

Motion was made by Nancy Schutz and seconded by Rodney Whipple to approve the Substitute Teacher Rates for 2024-2025 as presented.

The motion Carried.

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

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Food Service prices for the 2024-25 school year:

Motion was made by Rodney Whipple and seconded by Chad Carpenter to approve the Food Service prices for the 2024-2025 school year as presented.

The motion Carried.

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

Yea: 4, Nay: 1, Absent: 1

Staff Handbook and Student-Parent Handbook (including PK and Activity program information) for the 2024-2025 school year:

Motion was made by Chad Carpenter and seconded by Nancy Schutz to approve the Staff Handbook and Student Parent Handbook (including PK and Activity program information) for the 2024-2025 school year as presented.

The motion Carried.

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

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Personnel: Drews stated that the District is still looking for Paraprofessionals for the 2024-2025 school year.

Public Comment - Open:

Future Meetings: Board Financial Planning Workshop - July 10, 2024 at 5:00 pm; Finance Committee Meeting - August 12, 2024 at 6:30 pm; Regular Board Meeting - August 12, 2024 at 7:00 pm.

Adjourn:

Motion was made by Chad Carpenter and seconded by Nancy Schutz to adjourn the meeting at 9:07 pm.

The motion Carried.

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

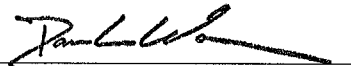
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The meeting was duly adjourned.

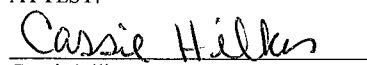
DATED this Monday, July 8, 2024

ARAPHAOE-HOLBROOK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

BY:


Dan Warner, President

ATTEST:


Cassie Hilker, Secretary