

## 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, March 11, 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: Present. Also present was Mr. Bob Drews, Superintendent, Mr. Rudy Perez, Secondary Principal, 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 meeting to order at 7:03 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance (Whipple): Mr. Rodney Whipple 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: N/A.

Welcome Visitors:

Public Comment on Agenda Items: None.

### Reports:

Student Council Representatives: River Einspahr and Titus Goshert presented the Student Council Report.

Board Committee(s): Carpenter stated that the Finance Committee met and everything is in order, but very tight. Lee stated that he met with Mr. Drews regarding Administrator contracts and they are action items that will be addressed later in tonight's meeting.

Board Member(s): None.

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

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

Superintendent: Mr. Drews presented the Superintendent Report.

Teacher Presentations: Mrs. Lisa Schutz reported on 1st Grade. She shared a variety of examples of what they do with their Buddy Program. She also shared some concerns regarding class size and asked the Board to consider splitting classes for the benefit of all of the students.

National Art Honor Society (NAHS): Mrs. Picquet, Haylie Braun, Kloie Campbell, Jadelyn Nelson, Brooke Lentz, and Molly Elliott shared a presentation with the Board on a Sculpture Garden Project. The Sculpture Garden Project would create a space where students could get outside. This would be in the courtyard area of the school.

Discussion Item(s):

### Action Item(s):

Consent Agenda, including Minutes and Financial Reports:

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

The motion Carried.

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

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Claims:

Motion was made by Leigh Zodrow and seconded by Nancy Schutz to approve the expenditures and payments totaling \$485,964.13 as submitted by Administration to the Board.

The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Abstain (Claim No. 37450 to Hemelstrand's for \$1,370.35), Warner: Yea, Whipple: Abstain (Claim No. 37433 to ATC for

\$363.90 and Claim No. 37429 to ACT for \$349.95), Zodrow: Yea  
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Abstain (With Conflict): 2

Board Resolution for the 2024-2025 budget:

Motion was made by Chad Carpenter and seconded by Nancy Schutz to approve the resolution increasing the school district's base growth percentage by up to seven percent (7%) for the 2024-2025 budget as presented.

The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Yea, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

State FCCLA Per Diem:

Motion was made by Nancy Schutz and seconded by Chad Carpenter to approve the FCCLA per diem request of up to \$378 for the State Leadership Conference as presented.

The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Yea, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

State FFA Per Diem:

Motion was made by Leigh Zodrow and seconded by Rodney Whipple to approve the per diem request of up to \$1,452.00 for State FFA as presented.

The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Yea, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Amendment to 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 Negotiated Agreement:

Motion was made by Rodney Whipple and seconded by Leigh Zodrow to approve the amendment to the 2023-24 and 2024-25 negotiated agreement as presented.

The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Yea, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Personnel: Mr. Drews shared the 2024-25 Extra Duty Assignments with the Board. Only one position left to fill and that is Assistant Junior High Football.

Certified Staff Resignations:

Motion was made by Leigh Zodrow and seconded by Rodney Whipple to accept the resignation of Kelsie Eman (Secondary Math) and Michelle Rawson (Secondary English) at the conclusion of the 2023-2024 school year.

The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Yea, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Hiring of Bailey Schneider as an Elementary teacher for the 2024-2025 school year:

Motion was made by Nancy Schutz and seconded by Rodney Whipple to approve a contract with Bailey Schneider as an Elementary Teacher for the 2024-2025 school year.

The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Yea, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

PK-6 and 7-12 Principal contracts:

Motion was made by Nancy Schutz and seconded by Chad Carpenter to approve the PK-6 Principal contract and the 7-12 Principal/Activities-Athletic Director contracts as presented.

The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Yea, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Resignation of Rudy Perez as 7-12 Principal at the conclusion of the 2024-2025 school year:

Motion was made by Erick Lee and seconded by Rodney Whipple to accept the resignation of Rudy Perez at the conclusion of the 2024-2025 school year.

The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Yea, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Executive Session:

Motion was made by Leigh Zodrow and seconded by Chad Carpenter to enter into executive session at 8:22 pm for the purpose of negotiations and for the protection of the public and the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual.

The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Yea, Warner: Yea, Whipple: Yea, Zodrow: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion was made by Chad Carpenter and seconded by Leigh Zodrow to exit executive session at 9:07 pm.

Superintendent Contract:

Motion was made by Leigh Zodrow and seconded by Nancy Schutz to table the Superintendent contract for July 2024 through July 2027 until the Superintendent evaluation is complete.

The motion Carried.

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

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Public Comment - Open: Peyton Sich, Kloie Campbell, Johnathan Deisley, Jadelyn Nelson, and Haylie Braun were attending the meeting to fulfill a graduation requirement.

Future Meetings: American Civics Committee - April 8, 2024 at 6:00pm; Finance Committee Meeting - April 8, 2024 at 6:30pm; Regular Board Meeting - April 8, 2024 at 7:00pm.

Adjourn:

Motion was made by Nancy Schutz and seconded by Chad Carpenter to adjourn the meeting at 9:09 pm.

The motion Carried.

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


Yea: 6, Nay: 0

The meeting was duly adjourned.

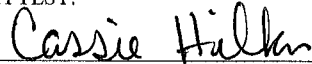
DATED this Monday, March 11, 2024

ARAPHAOE-HOLBROOK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

BY:

  
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Dan Warner, President

ATTEST:

  
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Cassie Hilker, Secretary