

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 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: Absent, Leigh Zodrow: Present. Also present was Mr. Bob Drews, Superintendent, Mr. Rudy Perez, 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 the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance (Zodrow): Mr. Leigh Zodrow 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 Chad Carpenter and seconded by Nancy Schutz to excuse the absence of Board Member Rodney Whipple.

The motion Carried.

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

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Welcome Visitors:

Public Comment on Agenda Items:

Reports:

Student Council Representatives: None.

Board Committee(s): Carpenter stated that the Finance Committee met and that the District is getting by, finances are very tight. Lee stated that the American Civics Committee met and reviewed how each teacher incorporates American Civics in their classroom.

Board Member(s): Schutz stated that she attended the NRCSA Conference with Mr. Drews. It was very beneficial and had a lot of good information for rural schools.

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 - Reid Stagemeyer: Mr. Reid Stagemeyer shared with the Board that he is teaching an Algebra I class this year and he is really enjoying it. The Computer Apps class has been working on scanning yearbooks for the website. He has classes working on coding, robotics, etc. They have also been working on researching items with the Museum.

Discussion Item(s):

Policy Review - 5052 School Wellness Policy, including Triennial Wellness Policy Assessment Report: Drews stated that every 3 years schools are required to complete a Wellness Policy Assessment. This has now been completed and approved by the state. It is also located on our District website.

Evaluation of Superintendent Robert Drews: Warner and Carpenter went over the Superintendent Evaluation with Mr. Drews this afternoon. The board appreciates everything Mr. Drews has done so far. Lee suggested meeting to adjust goals, etc. The board members and Mr. Drews like the new evaluation program and how it works. Mr. Drews would like to take care of completing the evaluation in the first semester of the school year going forward.

Action Item(s):

Consent Agenda, including Minutes and Financial Reports:

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

The motion Carried.

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

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Claims:

Motion was made by Leigh Zodrow and seconded by Nancy Schutz to approve the expenditures and payments totaling \$428,833.69 as submitted by Administration to the Board.

The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Abstain (Claim No. 37553 to Hemelstrand's for \$440.91), Warner: Yea, Whipple: Absent, Zodrow: Yea
Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Absent: 1, Abstain (With Conflict): 1

2024-2025 Technology Purchases:

Motion was made by Nancy Schutz and seconded by Chad Carpenter to approve the quotes from Computer Hardware for 5 mimio boards and installation, 60 student chromebooks, and an updated laptop for office personnel totaling \$31,767.80 as presented.

The motion Carried.

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

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Personnel:

Hiring of Stefanie Hoefs as a Secondary Mathematics Teacher for the 2024-25 school year:

Motion was made by Erick Lee and seconded by Chad Carpenter to approve a contract with Stefanie Hoefs as a Secondary Mathematics Teacher for the 2024-2025 school year.

The motion Carried.

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

Yea: 4, Nay: 1, Absent: 1

Leave of Absence Agreement for Shasta Hambidge for the remainder of the 2023-2024 contract year:

Motion was made by Chad Carpenter and seconded by Erick Lee to approve a Leave of Absence Agreement for Shasta Hambidge for the remainder of the 2023-2024 contract year as presented.

The motion Carried.

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

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Superintendent Contract with Robert Drews for July 2024 through June 2027:

Motion was made by Nancy Schutz and seconded by Leigh Zodrow to approve the Superintendent contract with Robert Drews for July 2024 through June 2027 as presented.

The motion Carried.

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

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Absent: 1

Public Comment - Open: None.

Future Meetings: Finance Committee Meeting - May 13, 2024 at 6:30pm; Regular Board Meeting - May 13, 2024 at 7:00pm.

Adjourn:

Motion was made by Chad Carpenter and seconded by Nancy Schutz to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm.

The motion Carried.

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

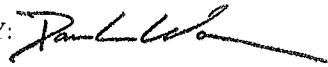
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The meeting was duly adjourned.

DATED this Monday, April 8, 2024

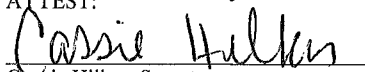
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BY:



Dan Warner, President

ATTEST:



Cassie Hilker, Secretary