## Board of Education Regular Meeting Dundy County Stratton Public School Benkelman NE 69021

The Dundy County Stratton Board of Education met on Monday, December 9, 2024 at Dundy County Stratton High School.

Vice President Stamm called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Attendance Taken at 6:01 PM. Jennifer Fries: Present, Steve Guernsey: Present, Ted Henderson: Present, Nick Ladenburger: Present, Kent Lorens: Absent, Cole Lutz: Present, Sandy Noffsinger: Absent, Shad Stamm: Present, Jordan Stroup: Present. Present: 7, Absent: 2.

#### Others present:

Alan D Garey, Superintendent Sandy O'Neil, Secondary Principal Ronda Sargent, Recording Secretary/Business Manager

Pledge of Allegiance. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Vice President Stamm stated that the board follows the Open Meetings Act Guidelines which are located in the meeting room. The Board of Education may enter closed session during the meeting when it determines that doing so is appropriate and is authorized by the provisions of the Open Meeting Act.

# **Awards and Recognitions**

Garey and Stamm recognized those involved in the Music Program for a great evening or entertainment and it was well attended to. Henderson recognized the new wrestling staff for a great start to the year. Fries recognized Mrs. Downey as she is a great leader as well as a teacher. Fries recognized the Mock Trial team at the state event. O'Neil expressed the hardship it would be to replace Mrs. Fox, for what all she does, not only as a teacher.

### Reports

# Technology report

The new IT Supervisor has started.

# Elementary principal report

In written form.

Also, Mr. Freeland wanted all to know that the kitchen staff did outstanding with the preparation for the Thanksgiving meal served at the Elementary.

# Secondary principal report

In written form.

# **Transportation report**

In written form.

Garey discussed with the board options for helping with transporting students in inclement weather because of road conditions by creating a location to congregate. Garey reported to the board on The Clean Bus grant program, this will include a Propane Bus, and would like to look into the possibilities for applying to the grant.

### Superintendent report

In written form.

## **Board and committee reports**

Finance/Budget/Legislation committee

Transportation/Facilities/Grounds committee

Curriculum/Activities/Staff Development committee

Americanism committee met 12/9/24 at 5:30. In discussion the government class will need to take the citizen test.

Negotiations committee met with the teacher's committee on December 3rd and received a list to consider for the upcoming negotiated agreement. The negotiation committee will meet with Mr. Garey on Tuesday, December 17, 5:00 MT.

## **Consent Agenda**

Motion to approve the consent agenda passed with a motion by Stroup and a second by Guernsey. Stamm: Yea, Stroup: Yea, Fries: Yea, Guernsey: Yea, Henderson: Yea, Ladenburger: Yea, Lutz: Yea. Yea: 7, Nay: 0, Absent: 2. The consent agenda includes the verification of notice of the meeting by publication in the Benkelman Post & News Chronicle, a legal newspaper for Dundy County and to each member of the board, the approval of the minutes from the November 11, 2024 meeting, the payment of bills in the amounts of \$541,785.78 from the general fund; \$25,297.79 from the activity fund and \$19,400.80 from the nutrition fund.

#### **Business Meeting**

#### **Financial Report**

Motion to approve the financial report as presented passed with a motion by Guernsey and a second by Ladenburger. Stroup: Yea, Fries: Yea, Guernsey: Yea, Henderson: Yea, Ladenburger: Yea, Lutz: Yea, Stamm: Yea. Yea: 7, Nay: 0, Absent: 2.

### **Surplus Property-Expedition**

Motion to approve the offer from Ted Henderson for \$4,016.00 on the 2013 Ford Expedition EL XLT passed with a motion by Ladenburger and a second by Guernsey. Fries: Yea, Guernsey: Yea, Henderson: Abstain (With Conflict), Ladenburger: Yea, Lutz: Yea, Stamm: Yea, Stroup: Yea. Yea: 6, Nay: 0, Abstain (With Conflict): 1, Absent: 2.

# **Teacher Resignations**

Motion to accept the resignation from Mrs. Lisa Fox with regret and to thank her for her 37 years of service passed with a motion by Stroup and a second by Lutz. Guernsey: Yea, Henderson: Yea, Ladenburger: Yea, Lutz: Yea, Stamm: Yea, Stroup: Yea, Fries: Yea. Yea: 7, Nay: 0, Absent: 2.

Motion to accept the resignation from Mrs. Jeanne Downey with regret and to thank her for her 21 years of service passed with a motion by Guernsey and a second by Henderson. Henderson: Yea, Ladenburger: Yea, Lutz: Yea, Stamm: Yea, Stroup: Yea, Fries: Yea, Guernsey: Yea

Yea: 7, Nay: 0, Absent: 2.

# First Reading of Policies 2008 & 3004.1

Motion to approve first reading of policy 2008, Meetings passed with a motion by Stroup and a second by Fries. Ladenburger: Yea, Lutz: Yea, Stamm: Yea, Stroup: Yea, Fries: Yea, Guernsey: Yea, Henderson: Yea. Yea: 7, Nay: 0, Absent: 2.

Motion to approve first reading of policy 3004.1, Fiscal Management for Purchasing and Procurement Using Federal Funds passed with a motion by Ladenburger and a second by Guernsey. Lutz: Yea, Stamm: Yea, Stroup: Yea, Fries: Yea, Guernsey: Yea, Henderson: Yea, Ladenburger: Yea. Yea: 7, Nay: 0, Absent: 2.

### **NASB** information

The state school board conference was reported on by members that attended.

### Legislation

### Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 7:54 passed with a motion by Guernsey and a second by Ladenburger. Stamm: Yea, Stroup: Yea, Fries: Yea, Guernsey: Yea, Henderson: Yea, Ladenburger: Yea, Lutz: Yea. Yea: 7, Nay: 0, Absent: 2.

Jennifer Fries, Secretary