# 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, June 12, 2023, 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. Benjamin Ellis, PK-6 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 (Zodrow): 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: None.

Welcome Visitors: Heidi Thomas was attending the meeting to represent AEA.

Approval of agenda as presented: Motion was made by Rodney Whipple and seconded by Leigh Zodrow to approve the agenda as presented.

The motion Carried.

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

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

#### Reports:

Board Committee(s): Warner and Carpenter stated that the Buildings & Grounds Committee met and discussed the grounds and landscaping. Carpenter stated that the Finance Committee met and reviewed claims and fund balances. Erick Lee stated that the Negotiations Committee met regarding Classified Staff wages which is an action item later on in tonight's meeting.

Board Member(s): None.

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

Secondary Principal Report: Mr. Bob Drews presented the Secondary Principal Report.

Superintendent: Mr. Bob Drews presented the Superintendent Report.

# Discussion Item(s):

Review of Weight Room Use Agreement for AHPS Patrons: Mr. Drews presented a revised agreement for weight room use to the board. The Board would like Mr. Drews to check with legal counsel to see if there is something that could be done to allow currently enrolled 9-12 students use of the weight room (unsupervised during public designated hours) once they have successfully completed (passed) one semester of an AHPS weight training class.

## 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 Rodney Whipple and seconded by Leigh Zodrow to approve the expenditures and payments totaling \$535,413.61 as submitted to administration to the Board.

The motion Carried.

Carpenter: Yea, Lee: Yea, Schutz: Abstain (Claim #36374 to Hemelstrands for \$596.99), Warner: Yea, Whipple: Abstain (Claim #36357 to ATC for \$359.14), Zodrow: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Abstain (With Conflict): 2

Elevate K-12 contract: Motion was made by Rodney Whipple and seconded by Chad Carpenter to approve a contract with Elevate K-12 to provide online, synchronous courses for Chemistry during the 1st semester of the 2023-24 school year.

The motion Carried.

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

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

2023-24 Classified Pay Rate Increases: Motion was made by Chad Carpenter and seconded by Erick Lee to approve a starting pay rate of \$15.00/hour for all classified staff, with an experience factor of 5 cents additional per year of service for years 1-10/25 cents additional if at 11 years or more (maximum of 75 cents), and for staff already at \$15.00/hour or more would receive the greater of 3% on their current rate or the experience factor of 5 cents additional per year of service for years 1-10/25 cents additional if at 11 years or more (maximum of 75 cents), effective 8/1/23.

The motion Carried.

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

Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Abstain: 1

2023-24 Substitute Teacher Rates: Motion was made by Rodney Whipple and seconded by Erick Lee to approve the 2023-24 Substitute Teacher Rates as follows: \$145/day for days 0-29, \$165/day for days 30-59, \$185/day for days 60+.

The motion Carried.

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

Yea: 4, Nay: 2

2023-24 Food Service Prices: Motion was made by Nancy Schutz and seconded by Rodney Whipple to approve the 2023-24 Food Service Prices as follows: PK-6 Breakfast \$2.00, 7-12 Breakfast \$2.15, Adult Breakfast \$2.60, PK-6 Lunch \$3.20, 7-12 Lunch \$3.40, Adult Lunch \$4.25, Extra Milk \$0.40, Seconds \$1.25.

The motion Carried.

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

Yea: 5, Nay: 1

2023-24 AHPS District Calendar Amendment: Motion was made by Erick Lee and seconded by Chad Carpenter to approve the amendment to the 2023-24 school calendar as presented.

The motion Carried.

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

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

2023-24 Activity Fund Transfer: Motion was made by Chad Carpenter and seconded by Erick Lee to approve the 2023-24 activity fund transfer from the general fund totaling \$60,000.

The motion Carried.

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

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

D & N Bid: Motion was made by Rodney Whipple and seconded by Nancy Schutz to approve the bid from D&N to replace the heat/ac unit servicing the Ag classroom totaling \$14,675,50 as presented. The bid does not include the cost of a crane or the cost to add the unit to the District computer/wiring system. 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 Chad Carpenter and seconded by Dan Warner to enter into executive session at 9:01 pm for the protection of public interest.

The motion Carried.

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

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Motion was made by Dan Warner and seconded by Chad Carpenter to exit executive session at 9:15 pm.

Personnel: Nothing to report.

Future Meetings: Summer Board Workshop - June 21, 2023 at 8:00 am; Finance Committee Meeting - July 11, 2023 at 6:30 pm; Regular Board Meeting - July 11, 2023 at 7:00 pm.

Adjourn: Motion was made by Chad Carpenter and seconded by Leigh Zodrow to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 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, June 12, 2023

ARAPAHAOE-HOLBROOK PUBLIC SCHOOLS

BY:

Dan Warner, President

Cassie Hilker, Secretary