



Regular Board of Directors Meeting

Monday, May 15, 2017 at 5:30 PM

Educational Service Unit 7, Oak Room  
2657 44th Avenue  
Columbus, NE 68601-8537

1. Call the meeting to order


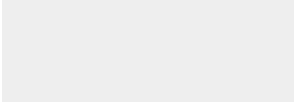
**Speaker(s):** Don Ellison or Designee

**Rationale:**



**LEADERSHIP • SERVICE • SUPPORT - ESU 7 Mission Statement**

Notice of this meeting was given in advance according to State Law 84-1411, by giving notice of the meeting to the public on ESU 7 website [www.esu7.org](http://www.esu7.org) and posted at location of meeting. Notice of this meeting was also given in advance to all members of the Board of Directors. Availability of the agenda and purpose of the hearing was communicated in the advance notice of the meeting and in the notice to the members of this hearing. All proceedings of the Board of Directors were taken while the convened hearing was open to the attendance of the public.



1.1. Notification of Open Meetings Law

**Speaker(s):** Don Ellison or Designee

**Rationale:**

This meeting has been preceded by advance notice and is hereby declared to be in open session. A copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted in the meeting room.



1.2. Roll Call

**Speaker(s):** Don Ellison or Designee

1.2.1. Board Absences

**Speaker(s):** Don Ellison or Designee

**Rationale:**

Marni Danhauer will be absent to attend the Central City Board Meeting Visit.

Doug Kluth will be absent for personal reasons.

**Staff Recommendation:** Discuss, consider and take action to approve the Board member absences.



**Recommended Motion(s):**

Motion to approve absent Board members Passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2.

1.3. Pledge of Allegiance

**Speaker(s):** Don Ellison or Designee

2. Public Forum

**Rationale:**



2.1. Welcome Visitors

**Speaker(s):** Don Ellison or Designee

2.2. Public Comment

**Speaker(s):** Don Ellison or Designee

**Rationale:** The Board has the discretion to limit the amount of time set aside for public participation.

Citizens wishing to address the Board on a certain agenda item must notify the Educational Service Unit Administrator prior to the board meeting. Citizens wishing to present petitions to the Board may do so at this time. However, the Board will only receive the petitions and not act upon them or their contents.

Public Participation in Board Meetings **Policy 1.02.02**

3. Approval of Agenda

**Speaker(s):** Don Ellison or Designee

**Rationale:**

The sequence of agenda topics is subject to change at the discretion of the Board.

Order of Business, Regular Meetings **Policy 1.02.01**

**Recommendation:** Discuss, consider and take any necessary action to approve agenda.



**Recommended Motion(s):**

Agenda as presented Passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2.

4. Approval of the Consent Agenda

**Speaker(s):** Larianne Polk or designee

**Rationale:**

Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted on at one time.

If any Board Member wishes to discuss an item, it must be removed from the consent agenda at which time remaining items will be acted on:

Consent Agenda Includes:

- Minutes from the previous meeting
- Treasurers Report
- Presentation of the Bills
- Certificated/Classified Hire(s)/Reassignments/Resignation(s)

**Recommendation:** Discuss, consider and take necessary action to approve the consent agenda as presented.

**Recommended Motion(s):**

Discuss, consider and take necessary action to approve the consent agenda as presented  
Passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2.

4.1. Approval of Minutes

**Rationale:** Meeting Minutes from the previous month's Board Meeting are attached for your review.

4.2. Treasurer's Report

**Rationale:** The Treasurer's Report is attached for review.

4.3. Presentation of Bills

**Rationale:**

The summary of bills for the current month total: \$625,111.57 - Bills #65266 through #65394

Inservice bills total: Elks CC: \$440

SPED Arrears:\$0

TECH Arrears: High Plains: \$50

| Check # | Amount   | Vendor                  | Description                                |
|---------|----------|-------------------------|--|
| 65232   | 7317.30  | Amazon                  | Tech Bond Hardware, office supplies, books |
| 65261   | 4772.00  | Clarkson Public Schools | Title I Reimbursement                      |
| 65274   | 15326.31 | Eakes                   | Supplies and Maintenance                   |

|       |          |                      |                              |
|-------|----------|----------------------|------------------------------|
| 65282 | 9793.48  | ESU 6                | AV Repair Contracted Service |
| 65319 | 29964.87 | Lakeview             | Title Reimbursements         |
| 65354 | 16564.60 | Paper 101            | Copier paper                 |
| 65357 | 2321.65  | Pearson Assessment   | SPED Assessment Materials    |
| 65371 | 6054.67  | Schoolkidz           | School Supply Kits - Migrant |
| 65375 | 4778.20  | DAS State Accounting | Network Service Charges      |



#### 4.4. 2017 Migrant Education Program Summer Program Staff and Binational Teacher Contracts

##### **Rationale:**

The Migrant Education Program (MEP) will facilitate 5 summer programs. Our sites include Schuyler, O’Neill, Nebraska City and Firth (Norris School District), and Columbus (which also includes students from Lakeview, Columbus, and St Edward). District reimbursement for staff will be made to O’Neill Public Schools, Norris School District, and St Edward Public School. ESU 7-MEP Summer Staff include:

Cynthia Lorentzen - Columbus  
Misty Liakos - Columbus  
Susan Doehling - Columbus  
Rhonda Williams - Columbus  
Jana Coble - Columbus  
Cory Waite - Columbus  
Teacher TBD - Columbus  
Barbara Raya - Schuyler  
Nathalie Vargas - Schuyler  
Lori Schultz - Schuyler  
Dana Schultz - Schuyler  
Susan Yohe - Nebraska City  
Para TBD - Nebraska City

The MEP will also host 3 binational teachers from Mexico in the month of June. The 3 teachers are from the state of Morelos in Mexico.

Misael Bustamante has 10 years of teaching experience. Misael is currently a middle school Spanish teacher. His special skills are poetry and the use of technology. This is his first time to the US. He loves teaching and is looking forward to sharing the history of his country and to learning about the US.

Erick Bandera has 4 years of teaching experience and is currently teaching 5th grade. His special skills are art, music and theater. He plays several instruments and wants to learn about the US and share the Mexican culture with others.

Paola Villavicencio comes from a family of teachers and She has taught all levels of school. Her special skills are dancing, handicrafts and yoga. She enjoys being with students and learning from them. Paola has traveled to NY, GA, PA and Washington D.C

#### 4.5. Summer Assistant Contract

**Speaker(s):** Dan Ellsworth or Designee

**Rationale:**

Zane Smith will be joining the ESU 7 staff over the summer to assist with summer maintenance and technology support tasks. Zane aspires to be a landscape designer and is looking forward to working with the ESU 7 staff this summer. Zane will be a sophomore at Lakeview Public Schools, has a strong work ethic, and is anticipated to start Friday, May 19th. Zane's pay has been set at \$9 per hour for a maximum of 60 days or the hour equivalent.

#### 4.6. Special Education Resignation

**Speaker(s):** Darus Mettler

**Rationale:**

Resignation of Nancy Briggs, Speech/Language Pathologist as presented.

#### 5. Action Items

**Speaker(s):** Don Ellison or Designee

##### 5.1. Stipends Review

**Speaker(s):** Don Ellison or Designee

**Rationale:** Annually, the board reviews the stipend payment for various grants facilitated by ESU 7. Currently, stipends are \$15 per hour for various grant projects up to a maximum of \$105 to be paid for any one day unless otherwise specified within the grant.

**Recommendation:** Discuss, consider and take action to review current stipend procedures and make adjustments accordingly.

**Recommended Motion(s):**

Stipend payments provided by grants as presented Passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2.

##### 5.2. Local Substitute Teacher Certificates

**Speaker(s):** Larianne Polk or designee

**Rationale:**

**Currently, ESU 7 Substitutes are exclusively utilized in the Special Education Department. These substitutes hold a teaching certificate. The Migrant Education Summer Program would like to expand its substitute pool to include those holding the local substitute certificate.**

**Recommendation:** Discuss, consider and take any action necessary to approve substitute teachers who hold the local substitute teaching certificate.

**Recommended Motion(s):**

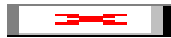
Approval of substitute teachers who hold the local substitute teaching certificate Passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2.

### 5.3. Reading of Policy 1.05 Election and Employment of Personnel

**Speaker(s):** Don Ellison or Designee

**Rationale:**

**Recommendation:** Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve Policy 1.05 Election and Employment of Personnel as presented.



**Recommended Motion(s):**

Policy 1.05 Election and Employment of Personnel as presented Passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2.

### 5.4. Participation in the Educators Health Alliance (EHA) insurance program for Board Members

**Speaker(s):** Larianne Polk or designee

**Rationale:**

EHA offers its health insurance plans to ESU Board Members. ESU 7 Board Members can choose to participate. Should they choose to participate, they must select either the classified or certified subgroup rate. A detailed description of these rates and options can be found on the attachments.

**Recommendation:** Discuss, consider and take any necessary action on ESU 7 Board Member participation in the Educators Health Alliance health and dental insurance program using ESU 7's classified or certified employee subgroup rates.

**Recommended Motion(s):**

ESU 7 Board Member participation in the Educators Health Alliance health and dental insurance program using ESU 7's classified or certified employee subgroup rates as presented Passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2.

### 5.5. ESUCC Master Services Agreement

**Speaker(s):** Larianne Polk

**Rationale:** The 2017-2018 ESUCC Master Services Agreement has been received and is attached. The document includes the Master Services Agreement and a summary of fees and projects.

**Recommendation:** Discuss, consider and take action to approve the Master Services Agreement for ESUCC for 2017-2018.

**Recommended Motion(s):**

Approval of Master Services Agreement for ESUCC for 2017-2018 Passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2.

**6. Discussion Items**

**Rationale:**

6.1. Board Visit Updates

**Speaker(s):** Larianne Polk or designee

**Rationale:**

Updates and reports will be given from the Palmer, Osceola and Lakeview Board Visits.

Marni Danhauer and Darus Mettler are Scheduled for May 15, 2017 at the Central City Board Meeting.

Joyce Baumert, Darus Mettler and Mark Brady are scheduled to attend the Schuyler Board Meeting on June 12th.

Terry Fusco and Brooke Kavan are scheduled to attend the Cross County Board meeting on June 12th.

Gary Wieseler and Brooke Koliha are scheduled to attend the Humphrey Board Meeting on June 12th.

Twin River and Shelby Board Visits are tentatively scheduled for July 10th (Board Meeting dates for July have not been scheduled).

6.2. Budget Committee Update

**Speaker(s):** Chairman Terry Fusco

**Rationale:** Budget committee met to begin discussions regarding budgeting process for 2017-2018 Chairman Fusco will review the summary with the Board. The committee will meet again June 19, 2017.

6.3. AdvancED Update

**Speaker(s):** Larianne Polk

**Rationale:** Administrator Polk will share progress on preparations for the upcoming ESU 7 AdvancED Visit.

6.4. Administrator's Report

**Speaker(s):** Larianne Polk

**Rationale:**

Facilities Update

ESUCC Update

Administrator's Goals

- Attached for your Review

#### NNNC Tech Budget

- Attached for your Review

#### AESA Student Loan Forgiveness Update

- Attached for your Review

#### Upcoming Events:

##### School Law Conference

- Kearney - June 8-9

##### Open Meetings Workshop

- Lincoln - July 18
- Norfolk - July 20

##### NASB Orientation

- Lincoln - July 19

##### Labor Relations Conference - September 6-7

##### Scorecard

- Attached quarterly for your review



#### 7. Adjournment

**Speaker(s):** Don Ellison or Designee

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