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REGULAR MEETING April 11, 2023 AT 12:00 PM

AGENDA

1. Opening Procedures
 - a. Call to Order
 - b. Pledge of Allegiance
 - c. Open Meetings Act
 - d. Verification of Publication and Notification
 - e. Roll Call
 - i. Excuse Absent Board Members
2. Comments from Guests
3. Staff Presentations
 - a. John Hanson-Sped Director Report
4. Action Items
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 - b. Staff Day May 18
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 - a. Administrator
 - b. Board
 - c. Executive Session:
 - i. Pending Litigation
7. Adjournment

The Educational Service Unit Board of Directors reserves the right to go into closed session for purposes in accordance with LB 84-1410(1).

REGULAR MEETING

ESU#15-McCook Office & Via DL
305 East 1st Street
McCook, Nebraska 69001

Tuesday, March 14, 2023 12:00 PM Central

Present: 8, Absent: 2.

1. Opening Procedures

1.a. Call to Order

President Repass called the me 12:00 pm.

1.b. Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of Allegiance was cited.

1.c. Open Meetings Act

1.d. Verification of Publication and Notification

President Repass confirmed the meeting was advertised according to policy.

1.e. Roll Call

Present were: Nathan Belhke, Cheri Burke, Marty Conroy, Mary Dueland, Larry Gossen, Mike Harris, Kate Repass and Jesse Stevens.

1.e.i. Excuse Absent Board Members

A motion was made by Martin Conroy to excuse absent board members: Loop and Sandman, seconded by Micheal Harris Motion Passed.

Jason Loop: Absent, Allison Sandman: Absent, Nathan Behlke: Yea, Cheri Burke: Yea, Martin Conroy: Yea, Mary Dueland: Yea, Larry Gossen: Yea, Micheal Harris: Yea, Kate Repass: Yea, Jesse Stevens: Yea

Yea: 8, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

Absent board members: Jason Loop and Allison Sandman

2. Comments from Guests

3. Staff Presentations

Tonya Olsen, ESU 15 School Psychologist, updated the board on Hayes Center, Wauneta Palisade and McCook Schools. Tonya reminded the board about what a school psych does during the day. Mental health has been a big concern since the pandemic.

Tonya believes that SPED teachers have been lacking in the staff development department.

Tonya would like to do school psych for two days a week and do staff development for one day a week. More education for SPED teachers and, with teacher shortages, the teachers are qualified but do not have the practical training. She would like to give the teachers bite-size bits of information, not two hours of training.

Tonya also does a book club on the first Monday night of the month at the ESU in Trenton Office. The author of the book they are reading will be presenting via the mental health grant, so she is hoping to do a meet and greet with the club.

4. Action Items

4.a. Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Nathan Behlke to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Martin Conroy Motion Passed.

Jason Loop: Absent, Allison Sandman: Absent, Nathan Behlke: Yea, Cheri Burke: Yea, Martin Conroy: Yea, Mary Dueland: Yea, Larry Gossen: Yea, Micheal Harris: Yea, Kate Repass: Yea, Jesse Stevens: Yea
Yea: 8, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

4.a.i. Approve Minutes of February Meeting

4.a.ii. Approve March Bills

March Payables \$122,232.81 and Payroll \$77,271.03.

4.a.iii. Approve the February Treasurer's report

4.a.iv. Approve March Agenda

4.b. Accept Resignation of Jaci Wright, Mental Health Practitioner

A motion was made by Nathan Behlke to approve resignation of Jaci Wright, Mental Health Practitioner, seconded by Cheri Burke Motion Passed.

Jason Loop: Absent, Allison Sandman: Absent, Nathan Behlke: Yea, Cheri Burke: Yea, Martin Conroy: Yea, Mary Dueland: Yea, Larry Gossen: Yea, Micheal Harris: Yea, Kate Repass: Yea, Jesse Stevens: Yea
Yea: 8, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

The board accepted the resignation of Jaci Wright and thanked her for her 2 years of service at ESU 15.

4.c. Accept Resignation of Kelly Erickson, Staff Developer

A motion was made by Mary Dueland to accept resignation of Kelly Erickson, Staff Developer, seconded by Nathan Behlke Motion Passed.

Jason Loop: Absent, Allison Sandman: Absent, Nathan Behlke: Yea, Cheri Burke: Yea, Martin Conroy: Yea, Mary Dueland: Yea, Larry Gossen: Yea, Micheal Harris: Yea, Kate Repass: Yea, Jesse Stevens: Yea
Yea: 8, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

The board approved the resignation of Kelly Erickson and thanked her for her 11 years of service at ESU 15.

4.d. Approve Speech Contract for Chelsea West, Speech Pathologist

A motion was made by Cheri Burke to approve contract of Chelsey West, Speech Pathologist, seconded by Martin Conroy Motion Passed.

Jason Loop: Absent, Allison Sandman: Absent, Nathan Behlke: Yea, Cheri Burke: Yea, Martin Conroy: Yea, Mary Dueland: Yea, Larry Gossen: Yea, Micheal Harris: Yea, Kate Repass: Yea, Jesse Stevens: Yea
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4.e. Approve Cindy McCorkle as designated signature in absence of Board President or Board Secretary/Treasurer.

A motion was made by Micheal Harris to approve Cindy McCorkle as designated signature in absence of Board President or Board Secretary/Treasurer, seconded by Martin Conroy Motion Passed.

Jason Loop: Absent, Allison Sandman: Absent, Nathan Behlke: Yea, Cheri Burke: Yea, Martin Conroy: Yea, Mary Dueland: Yea, Larry Gossen: Yea, Micheal Harris: Yea, Kate Repass: Yea, Jesse Stevens: Yea
Yea: 8, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

4.f. Approve 2023-24 School Calendar

A motion was made by Mary Dueland to approve the 2023-24 School Calendar, seconded by Nathan Behlke Motion Passed.

Jason Loop: Absent, Allison Sandman: Absent, Nathan Behlke: Yea, Cheri Burke: Yea, Martin Conroy: Yea, Mary Dueland: Yea, Larry Gossen: Yea, Micheal Harris: Yea, Kate Repass: Yea, Jesse Stevens: Yea
Yea: 8, Nay: 0, Absent: 2

5. Discussion Items

5.a. Legislative Update

Mr. Calvert updated the board on the current legislative session. They are halfway through the long session. There have been around eight hundred bills introduced, with no more than twenty to thirty that will get voted on. Some of the topics that are transgender, abortion and gun bills will take up a lot of time. Bill LB 753 will give a tax credit for private schools. Private schools don't have to meet the same standards as a public school

5.b. Swatting

Mr. Calvert updated the board on SWATTING. At the ESUCC meeting the guest speaker was just talking about SWATTING. SWATTING is when a call is made to a school stating there is an active shooter or bomb threat. These calls are used to create fear. Colorado and Idaho schools were getting the calls in the days leading up to Nebraska. They have been tracking the call's orientation to overseas.

5.c. Possible Staffing Updates

Mr. Calvert updated the board on the 2023-24 staffing.

6. Reports

6.a. Administrator

Mr. Calvert updated the board on upcoming events:

- March 22, 2023 ADCO meeting- Legislative meeting
- March 23-24, 2023-NRSCA Meeting
- March 22, 2023-Mental Health Speaker, Tina Boogren
- March 21, 2023-Mr. Picquet meet and greet in Trenton

6.b. Board

6.c. Executive Session:

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:43pm. The next board meeting is April 11th, 2023 at noon at ESU #15 in McCook, NE.

ESU 15

Check Listing Report

Payables - March 14, 2023

Check Date	Check Number	Payee	Description	Amount
02/17/2023	35511	Assoc Educational Service Agencies	2022 annual conf-calvert	\$890.00
03/14/2023	35539	Beavers, Heather	mileage	\$1,030.97
02/21/2023	35513	Black Hills Energy	mccook-natural gas	\$336.12
03/14/2023	35540	Burke, Sharriea	mileage	\$730.33
03/14/2023	35541	Calvert, Paul	mileage	\$1,036.21
03/14/2023	35542	Calvert, Sara	mileage	\$272.48
03/14/2023	35543	Capital One	supplies	\$75.96
03/14/2023	35544	CenturyLink (AZ)	telephone	\$79.39
03/14/2023	35545	Chase County Schools	migrant- after school	\$1,806.99
03/14/2023	35546	City of McCook	utilities-mccook	\$65.61
03/14/2023	35547	Community First Bank	direct deposit	\$39.60
03/14/2023	35548	Cortney Crocker	mileage	\$603.26
03/14/2023	35549	Eakes Office Plus	copies	\$167.16
03/14/2023	35549	Eakes Office Plus	copies	\$202.40
03/14/2023	35550	Educational Service Unit 16	board workshop/transition	\$160.00
03/14/2023	35551	Englot, Angie	mileage	\$722.47
03/14/2023	35552	Erickson, Kelly	mileage	\$834.47
03/14/2023	35553	Esch, Barb	mileage	\$553.80
03/14/2023	35554	Esu #15 Cafeteria/125 Plan	admin fees	\$90.00
03/14/2023	35555	Furnas County Clerk	board election fees	\$100.00
02/21/2023	35514	Great Plains Communications	telephone	\$566.45
03/14/2023	35556	Great Plains Communications	telephone-imperial	\$70.95
03/14/2023	35557	Green Turf Lawncare	snow removal	\$182.00
03/14/2023	35558	Hanson, John	mileage	\$444.78
03/14/2023	35559	Harris, Micheal	board mileage	\$15.72
03/14/2023	35560	Holiday Inn Express Scottsbluff	migrant-motel-lopez	\$98.00
03/14/2023	35561	Hometown Family Radio	advertising	\$600.00
03/14/2023	35562	Hometown Leasing	copier lease	\$293.30
03/14/2023	35563	Krutsinger, Lisa	mileage	\$968.09
03/14/2023	35564	Kunnemann, Carol	mileage	\$863.29
03/14/2023	35565	Lopez, Aida	mileage	\$1,359.78
03/14/2023	35566	Lucero, Levi	snow removal	\$175.00
03/14/2023	35567	Marriott Hotels & Resorts Lincoln	travel exp-hotel	\$722.00
03/14/2023	35568	McCook Daily Gazette	legal notice	\$9.67
03/14/2023	35569	McCook Public Schools	hanson ins	\$813.67
03/14/2023	35570	McCorkle, Cynthia	board mileage	\$34.06
03/14/2023	35571	NCS Pearson Inc.	web based software	\$206.50
03/14/2023	35572	Nebraska Public Power Dist	utilities- mccook	\$141.07
03/14/2023	35573	NRCSA	2023 nrdsa leg form reg	\$80.00
03/14/2023	35574	O'Byrne, Casha	meals	\$625.00
03/14/2023	35575	Occupational Therapy Services	ot services	\$7,693.25
03/14/2023	35576	Olsen, Tonya	mileage	\$831.85
03/14/2023	35577	Parde Electric, L.L.C.	building maint-furnace	\$372.65
03/14/2023	35578	Pearson, Kimberly	migrant mileage	\$216.15
03/14/2023	35579	Pristine Clean	cleaning-mccook/trenton	\$560.00
03/14/2023	35580	Propio Language Services	migrant language service	\$25.00
03/14/2023	35581	Repass, Kate	board mileage	\$49.78
03/14/2023	35582	Sehnert's Bakery	supplies	\$106.20
03/14/2023	35583	Sheets, Kelli	title III-training	\$150.00
03/14/2023	35584	Strand, Amy	mileage	\$211.57
03/14/2023	35585	Trails West Texaco	meals/supplies	\$17.88
03/14/2023	35586	USBANK	credit card	\$1,732.05

03/14/2023	35587	Verizon	service coord phone	\$53.55
03/14/2023	35588	Village Of Trenton	utilities-trenton	\$341.16
03/14/2023	35589	Walker, Kelcey	mileage	\$580.33
03/14/2023	35590	Weimer, Todd	mileage	\$340.60
03/14/2023	35591	Werkmeister, Jessica	mileage	\$582.95
03/14/2023	35592	Wright, Jaci	mileage	\$413.70
03/01/2023	Liability	Blue Cross And Blue Shield	BCBS EE+CH HSA	\$30,014.14
03/01/2023	Liability	KUNNEMANN HSA	HSA EE Carol Kunnemann	\$50.00
03/01/2023	Liability	Colonial Life & Accident Insurance Co.	Colonial Life & Acc Ins	\$452.02
03/01/2023	Liability	Community First Bank	NPERS	\$22,738.47
03/01/2023	Liability	Community First Bank-FICA	Federal Withholding	\$8,162.20
03/01/2023	Liability	Community First Bank-FICA	FICA	\$14,111.14
03/01/2023	Liability	Community First Bank-FICA	Medicare	\$3,300.16
03/01/2023	Liability	McCORKLE HSA	HSA EE Cynthia McCorkle	\$100.00
03/01/2023	Liability	Esu #15 Cafeteria/125 Plan	Cafeteria 125	\$1,770.84
03/01/2023	Liability	BRENNING HSA	HSA EE Laurie Brenning	\$223.00
03/01/2023	Liability	LegalShield, Inc	Pre-pd legal/Ident theft	\$25.90
03/01/2023	Liability	MASA Global Building	MASA	\$98.00
03/01/2023	Liability	MG Trust Company	MG 403(b)	\$3,700.00
03/01/2023	Liability	Nebraska Depart. Of Revenue	State Withholding - NE	\$4,067.21
03/01/2023	Liability	CALVERT HSA	HSA EE Paul Calvert	\$350.00
03/01/2023	Liability	Principal Life Insurance Co.	LTD	\$456.95
03/01/2023	Liability	BURKE HSA	HSA EE SHARRIEA BURKE	\$50.00
03/01/2023	Liability	Vision Service Plan (CT)	Vision- Family- 125	\$217.56
Total Payables				\$ 122,232.81
Payroll				\$ 77,271.03
Total Expenditures				\$ 199,503.84

2022-23

Taxes Collected

	Budget Amt.	September	October	November	December	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	Aug	% PAID	BALANCE
Chase	\$207,519.59	25,957.46	14,250.10	1,493.34	888.11	55,553.53	15,092.91	15,319.83						0.62	\$72,351.38
Dundy	\$137,423.69	29,236.05	9,882.12	462.85	625.41	23,919.30	12,317.66	7,241.77						0.61	\$53,738.53
Frontier	\$78,335.43	13,993.39	3,415.22	739.63	202.43	20,434.45	4,604.29	4,758.08						0.61	\$30,187.94
Furnas	\$12,942.48	2,209.01	859.72	298.30	0.00	3,383.10	854.98	705.13						0.64	\$4,632.24
Hayes	\$75,470.80	11,488.86	3,544.59	1,256.21	1,532.50	18,068.01	7,631.67	5,361.98						0.65	\$26,586.98
Hitchcock	\$113,553.41	22,352.15	4,640.34	852.13	429.59	22,945.36	10,807.74	2,037.36						0.56	\$49,488.74
Lincoln	\$36,352.99	7,781.91	1,650.98	296.57	36.64	8,360.21	1,419.90	1,867.51						0.59	\$14,939.27
Perkins	\$18.38													0.00	\$18.38
Red Willow	\$200,906.66	37,874.33	6,470.04	2,428.34	797.44	39,392.52	11,246.60	5,319.63						0.52	\$97,377.76
Total	\$862,523.44	150,893.16	44,713.11	7,827.37	4,512.12	192,056.48	63,975.75	42,611.29	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	59%	\$355,934.16

Dundy Co Pro-rated payment from CRA

\$4,005.34
\$4,364.70
\$8,370.04

March 2023

Treasurer Report

Balances as of March 28, 2023

Checking Account- ESU#15	\$ 802,442.21	Comm First Bank Balance-ESU#15	\$ 802,442.21
Money Market- Comm First Bank	\$ 2,135,035.57	-Outstanding checks	\$6,750.65
Total	\$ 2,937,477.78	-April 2023 checks	\$ 194,261.83
		Total	\$ 601,429.73

Outstanding Checks

Date	Check #	Description	Amount
6/13/2022	34876	Cherie McClintock	\$ 75.00
1/11/2023	35423	Trails West Texaco	\$ 38.16
2/15/2023	35491	Kimberly Pearson	\$ 107.42
3/14/2023	35551	Angie Englot	\$ 722.47
3/14/2023	35563	Lisa Krutsinger	\$ 968.09
3/14/2023	35565	Aida Lopez	\$ 1,359.78
3/14/2023	35569	McCook Public Schools	\$ 813.67
3/14/2023	35573	NRCSA	\$ 80.00
3/14/2023	35574	Casha O'Byrne	\$ 625.00
3/14/2023	35576	Tonya Olsen	\$ 831.85
3/14/2023	35578	Kimberly Pearson	\$ 216.15
3/14/2023	35579	Pristine Clean	\$ 560.00
3/28/2023	35593	Black Hills Energy	\$ 312.12
3/28/2023	35594	Viaero	\$ 40.94
		Total Outstanding	\$6,750.65

Receipts

Date	Description	Amount
3/14/2023	Hayes Center Schools	\$18,689.69
3/15/2023	Chase Co Treasurer	\$15,319.83
	Dundy Co Treasurer	\$11,606.47
	Frontier Co Treasurer	\$4,758.08
	Furnas Co Treasurer	\$705.13
	Hitchcock Co Treasurer	\$2,037.36
	Lincoln Co Treasurer	\$1,867.51
	Wauneta Palisade Schools	\$25,833.65
	McCook Area Chamber of Commerce	\$15.00
	Red Willow Co Treasurer	\$5,319.63
3/21/2023	Hayes Co Treasurer	\$5,361.98
	McCook Public Schools	\$10,471.88
	North Platte Schools	\$3,750.00
	Dundy Co Stratton Schools	\$24,458.66
	Hitchcock Co Schools	\$26,535.04
	SW Schools	\$18,369.16
	Maywood Schools	\$20,558.67
	Medicine Valley Schools	\$20,033.88
	ESU 16	\$9,239.04
3/28/2023	Community First Bank	\$187.18
	Community First Bank-MM	\$1,911.05
	Total Outstanding	\$227,028.89

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