

Ainsworth Community Schools
Board of Education
Regular Meeting
District Office
March 11, 2024 - 7:00 PM

AGENDA

The Mission Slogan of Ainsworth Community Schools is "ACS CARES: We are Committed to Achieving Results for Everyone's Success"

In accordance with the Nebraska Open Meetings Act 84-1407-14 the Open Meetings Act is posted on the south wall of the District Office Board Meeting Room.

1. Opening Procedure, Regular Meeting of Board
 - 1.1. Call to Order, Roll Call, and Pledge of Allegiance
 - 1.2. Approval of Agenda
 - 1.3. Welcome Extended to Visitors
 - 1.4. Community Input on any Topic: This is your opportunity to speak to any topic concerning the school district. Since it is not an agenda item the board cannot discuss or take action at this time on the matter. Future discussion can be requested as an agenda item. Thank you for your participation.
 - 1.5. Community Input on Agenda Items: This is your opportunity to speak to items on the agenda. If you are not a part of the presentation of the agenda item you need to speak now. Thank you for your participation.
 - 1.6. Consent Agenda
 - 1.6.1. Minutes of Previous Meeting(s) , attached
 - 1.6.2. Set a board retreat or work session for 7:00 pm followed by the next regular meeting for April 8, 2024, in the cafeteria. The purpose of the work session will be to hear an update regarding the district well-being survey efforts. The current agendas will be available for public inspection in the office of the superintendent.
 - 1.6.3. Payment of Claims, Authorization Report, attached
 - 1.6.4. Cash Flow & Financial Reports
2. Reports/Information to the Board
 - 2.1. Principals and Activities Director Reports
 - 2.2. Superintendent Report
3. Action Items
 - 3.1. ACS Board Policy Review
 - 3.2. Purchase of New Cafeteria Tables
 - 3.3. Approval of ESU17 Services Contracts
4. Adjourn

The Board reserves the right to move into closed session to protect the public interest or needless injury to the reputation of an individual for any action item listed on the agenda. The Board may, at its discretion, change the order of the agenda to accommodate unforeseen issues related to an agenda item.

(Minutes are unofficial until approved by the Board of Education)

February 12, 2024

The Board of Education of School District #10 held its regular meeting on Monday, February 12, 2024. Board members present were: Frank Beel, Bryan Doke, Scott Erthum, Mark Johnson, Jessica Pozehl, and Brad Wilkins. Also present was Superintendent Dale Hafer. There were several guests in attendance. The meeting was called to order by Board President, Brad Wilkins at 7:00 p.m.

Notice of the meeting was in the Ainsworth Star Journal, radio station KBRB, and the district website via sparq meetings.

As noted during the meeting a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted on the south wall of the District Office meeting room.

Motion was made by Frank Beel and seconded by Bryan Doke to approve the agenda as published. Roll call vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Scott Erthum seconded by Mark Johnson to approve the following consent agenda items: Minutes of the January 9th meeting, claims in the amount of \$149,674.66 General Fund, \$22,702.25 Hot Lunch, and \$3,394.84 Section 125, & \$96,873.75 Building. Cash Flow Report for the month of January was given. The Treasurer's Report was given as follows: Cash Assets: January 31, 2023: \$2,469,353.76. The next regular meeting is Monday, March 11th, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. in the District Office. Roll call vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

41209	AINSWORTH FLOWER AND GIFTS	144.86
41210	AINSWORTH STAR-JOURNAL	180.38
41211	WADE ALBERTS	12.62
41212	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	1,425.80
41213	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	2,962.42
41214	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	1,128.97
41215	APPEARA	121.22
41216	APPLIED CONNECTIVE	405.18
41217	AT&T MOBILITY	345.18
41218	BJ'S INSTRUMENT REPAIR	575.00
41219	BLACK HILLS ENERGY	6,004.01
41220	BOMGAARS	223.95
41221	BROWN COUNTY HOSPITAL	1,410.30
41222	BUCKLES AUTOMOTIVE	503.90
41223	CDW GOVERNMENT LLC	530.76
41224	CENTRAL NEBRASKA COMMUNITY SERVICES,	22,577.38
41225	CENTRAL VALLEY AG	2,827.98
41226	CENTURY LUMBER CENTER	254.79
41227	CITY OF AINSWORTH	1,064.27
41228	COLONIAL RESEARCH CHEMICAL	1,015.00
41229	CSC CONFERENCING	190.80
41230	STEVEN DIKE	150.50
41231	E S U #17-MAIN	61,764.00
41232	E S U #17-MAIN	8,867.00
41233	JOSEPH FINLEY	40.21
41234	FLOOR MAINTENANCE	1,101.22
41235	FOLLETT EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	125.99
41236	MELISSA FREUDENBURG	458.28
41237	DALE HAFER	398.00
41238	ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO	239.44
41239	JW PEPPER	140.99

41240	KBRB AM FM	168.75
41241	KSB SCHOOL LAW	292.50
41242	LINCOLN MARRIOTT CORNHUSKER	448.00
41243	LOOKOUT BOOKS	115.75
41244	LEANNE MAXWELL	75.00
41245	MICHELLE APPELT	392.03
41246	MIDWEST CONNECT	298.00
41247	NASB ALICAP	1,507.00
41248	NE ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL BOARD	7,571.68
41249	NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	5,998.63
41250	NORFOLK LODGE & SUITES	129.00
41251	OFFICE PRODUCTS CENTER	1,457.96
41252	OLSONS PEST TECHNICIANS	92.00
41253	PAM HOLLENBECK	1,431.58
41254	PRESTIGE GROUP INC.	3,300.00
41255	RED & WHITE	360.37
41256	BROOKE RENTSCHLER	85.93
41257	JULIE RUHTER	1,019.61
41258	LAVISA SCHLUETER	121.28
41259	SEVEN SPRINGS INC	170.00
41260	ASHLEY SMITH	614.86
41261	STAPLES ADVANTAGE	67.60
41262	THREE RIVER TELCO	639.20
41263	TOWER GARDEN	2,736.00
41264	TRAVIS ELECTRIC INC	92.84
41265	AMANDA TURPIN	461.10
41266	UNIVERSITY OF OREGON	466.66
41267	US BANK	255.17
41268	WAGEWORKS	116.00
41269	ANGELA WELKE	604.84
41270	WEX BANK	1,394.92
18	WAGE WORKS INC	3,394.84
55	LUNCHTIME SOLUTIONS	22,644.47
56	LUNCHTIME SOLUTIONS	29.53
3579	VICKIE ZORKOWSKI	28.25
430	BOKF, NA	96,873.75

Kristin Simonson-Olson of NCDC reported to the board about the Housing, Childcare, Career Fair, & Grant Funds.

Elementary Principal Ben Wright reported on the following: Monthly Mission, Math Curriculum, Fastbridge, NSCA Growth & MAP Testing & Enrollment.

High Principal Steve Dike reported on the following: Spelling Bee, College Visit, Math Curriculum, P/T Conference, UNK Honor Choir, Spring Musical, FCCLA Star, Bobby Truhe Presentation, & Enrollment.

Activities Director Luke Wroblewski reported on the following: Wrestling, Girls Basketball, Boys Basketball, Speech, FCCLA District Star, FFA, FBLA, DI, Quiz Bowl & Spring Sports.

Superintendent Dale Hafer reported on the following: Financial Report, Transportation, Building & Grounds, Board Policy Review, Strategic Plan, Professional Development, Superintendent Goals, Next Years Calendar, Jay Martin Presenter, and NASB Board Standards.

Presented the draft of the 2024-2025 school calendar.

Motion was made by Scott Erthum and seconded by Jessica Pozehl to approve the quote Overhead Door Company of Norfolk to replace the 26X14 door on the bus barn with depreciation funds. Roll call vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Scott Erthum and seconded by Mark Johnson to approve the water reel from Flatwater Sales, Inc. purchase to address watering needs on the practice field at the East City Park with depreciation funds. Roll call vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Frank Beel and seconded by Bryan Doke to recognize the review of Board Policies as presented. Roll call vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Scott Erthum and seconded by Bryan Doke to approve the withdrawal of Ainsworth from the Southwest Conference effective at the conclusion of the 2023-2024 school year. Roll call vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Bryan Doke and seconded by Scott Erthum to adjourn the meeting at 8:19 p.m. Roll call vote: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

The Board will meet Monday, March 11, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. in the District Office for a regular board meeting. Current agendas and/or discussion topics will be available for public inspection in the office of the Superintendent.

Dedra Stoner, Recording Secretary

Brad Wilkins, Board President

BOARD AUTHORIZATION REPORT

<u>Vendor Name</u>	<u>Invoice</u>	<u>Check #</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Description</u>	
Checking	1	Fund: 01	GENERAL FUND		
CDW GOVERNMENT LLC	PW08926	41360	1,105.75	PRINTER, TONER	
				Vendor Total:	1,105.75
HEARTLAND ROOFING CONSULTANTS	1276	41361	1,120.75	JAN/FEB/MAR CONTRACT	
				Vendor Total:	1,120.75
KBR SOLID WASTE	3035	41362	50.00	CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS	
				Vendor Total:	50.00
NE COUNCIL OF SCHOOL ADMIN	80599	41363	75.00	GRIT CONF - HAFER	
				Vendor Total:	75.00
PRECISION AUTOBODY	7315	41364	761.74	2009 CHEVY VAN HEADLIGHTS	
				Vendor Total:	761.74
SEVEN SPRINGS INC	0116099	41365	57.00	WATER	
				Vendor Total:	57.00
				Fund Total:	3,170.24
				Checking Account Total:	3,170.24

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Checking	1	Fund: 01	GENERAL FUND	
1ST CLASS AUTO	28378	41292	121.88	2015 CADILLAC OIL CHANGE
1ST CLASS AUTO	28388	41292	463.03	2009 CHEV SUBURBAN WHEEL HUB REPAIR
1ST CLASS AUTO	28430	41292	395.53	2015 CADILLAC CONTROL ARM RPR
			Vendor Total:	980.44
ACTIVITY ACCOUNT	141650	41293	135.00	NHD REGISTRATION
ACTIVITY ACCOUNT	SMITHREPAIR	41293	85.60	JOSH SMITH TRUMPET REPAIR
			Vendor Total:	220.60
AINSWORTH AREA CHAMBER OF COMM	AACC-MEMBER2024	41294	200.00	2024 MEMBERSHIP
			Vendor Total:	200.00
AINSWORTH STAR-JOURNAL	ASJ-FEB2024	41295	77.46	NOTICE & MINUTES
			Vendor Total:	77.46
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	11J3-6RVN-GYY3	41296	226.56	TWIN THIEVES
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	13JK-4D1T-FVG3	41296	100.16	FILTERS
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	143D-3WN4-4113	41296	143.54	VINYL, CUPS, LABEL MAKER
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	143V-31MT-DP6R	41296	26.93	STORAGE DRAWER
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	16KK-VDXF-FLQJ	41296	21.08	SOFT SCRUB, TOILET GEL
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	16NH-XPPL-1C1J	41296	49.94	FLOWER POTS, MOD PODGE
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	176X-HV61-D1GH	41296	29.79	MARKERS, PEN HOLDERS
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	19LL-KJWJ-3PNF	41296	707.60	SLOAN URINAL SENSORS
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	1C3Y-J7HF-1TJR	41296	315.92	BOWLS, PUPPETS, GLUE, PAINT
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	1CVH-WDXV-L4Q7	41296	584.67	LAPTOP BACKPACKS
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	1DQ4-C699-9Q9G	41296	46.86	COMPUTER STAND
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	1F9F-WLK4-VTQK	41296	343.16	BEADS, PLAY DOH, MAGNETS
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	1FG7-4JTP-9HKY	41296	(37.70)	RETURN TWIN THIEVES
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	1GNH-QC7R-H436	41296	258.97	TABLES, WAGON
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	1H93-TT9T-7GRC	41296	49.99	MOP & BUCKET
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	1HCV-CF3R-NNF1	41296	129.95	DISPENSER
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	1HFG-NMRD-FWJG	41296	89.96	GLOVES
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	1J6V-YPRP-J36H	41296	67.85	READ ACROSS AMERICA PENCILS, STICKERS
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	1JPG-MF1D-J7H3	41296	329.77	VACUUM CLEANER
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	1JRQ-1KPX-4DK1	41297	55.30	SLOAN VACUUM BREAKER
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	1KPN-91QH-LWXF	41297	21.12	LOTION, VASELINE
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	1R37-GLRK-Q69P	41297	227.42	USB HUB, SUPERDRIVE, BACKPACK, LABEL I
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	1R64-J6NR-36LK	41297	49.38	DRAWER ORGANIZERS
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	1R7T-6YV9-67R3	41297	61.02	BEAD TWEEZERS
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	1RDL-HQHV-MYD7	41297	25.14	CLEANER, SPRAY, CLOTHES
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	1W4X-4J6W-4RCW	41297	32.99	BLOOD GLUCOSE MONITOR
AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES	1XXC-WMNF-CJNQ	41297	(188.50)	RETURN TWIN THIEVES
			Vendor Total:	3,768.87
AMSTERDAM PRINTING	7542843	41298	340.16	ACADEMIC CALENDARS
			Vendor Total:	340.16
APPEARA	0947058	41299	60.61	MATS, DUST MOPS, FLOORCARE, RAGS, SUP
			Vendor Total:	60.61
APPLE COMPUTER INC	MA66538040	41300	725.00	USB-C CHARGE CABLES
			Vendor Total:	725.00

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AT&T MOBILITY	FN-FEB2024	41301	345.18	MONTHLY SERVICE	
				Vendor Total:	345.18
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	BH89-FEB2024	41302	230.52	NATURAL GAS	
BLACK HILLS ENERGY	BH90-FEB2024	41302	11,408.49	NATURAL GAS & BUS BARN	
				Vendor Total:	11,639.01
BOBCAT OF NORTH PLATTE	NW011748	41303	1,033.50	SKID STEER BEARING REPAIR	
				Vendor Total:	1,033.50
BOMGAARS	32839970-171	41304	332.62	BOLTS, CONNECTORS, FLOOR DRY	
				Vendor Total:	332.62
BOWEN, BECKY	BB-AUGDEC2023	41305	2,012.41	AUGUST - DECEMBER 2023 MILEAGE	
				Vendor Total:	2,012.41
BROAD REACH BOOKS	ARU0367039	41306	240.00	BOOKS	
				Vendor Total:	240.00
BROWN COUNTY HOSPITAL	02052024	41307	484.00	OFFICE VISIT, VACCINE	
BROWN COUNTY HOSPITAL	2660	41307	982.76	PHYSICAL THERAPY & MILEAGE	
BROWN COUNTY HOSPITAL	2774	41307	738.42	PHYSICAL THERAPY & MILEAGE	
				Vendor Total:	2,205.18
BUCKLES AUTOMOTIVE	400386-402413	41308	217.78	SUPPLIES	
				Vendor Total:	217.78
CAROLINA BIOLOGICAL SUPPLY CO.	52451979 RI	41309	40.29	ELODEA	
				Vendor Total:	40.29
CDW GOVERNMENT LLC	PW08926	41360	1,105.75	PRINTER, TONER	
				Vendor Total:	1,105.75
CENTRAL VALLEY AG	CVA-FEB2024	41310	1,286.61	FUEL	
				Vendor Total:	1,286.61
CENTURY LUMBER CENTER	75348-82887	41311	152.75	SUPPLIES	
				Vendor Total:	152.75
CHADRON STATE COLLEGE DEPARTMENT	AINS2024	41312	40.00	HIGH PLAINS BAND & CHOIR	
				Vendor Total:	40.00
CITY OF AINSWORTH	CA-FEB2024	41313	1,133.57	WATER, SEWER & GARBAGE	
				Vendor Total:	1,133.57
CURRICULUM ASSOC.	90804487	41314	63.00	PHONICS FOR READING	
				Vendor Total:	63.00
DIKE, STEVEN	SD-FEB2024	41315	20.00	STATE WRESTLING PARKING	
				Vendor Total:	20.00
E S U #17-MAIN	ACS 132-137	41317	78,127.50	SERVICES	
				Vendor Total:	78,127.50

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EDUCATIONAL SERVICE UNIT #1	SP7496	41318	5,906.79	DEAF ED SERVICES	
				Vendor Total:	5,906.79
EGAN SUPPLY CO	380752	41319	90.64	BEARING, FILTER KIT	
				Vendor Total:	90.64
ENGINEERED CONTROLS, INC	177868	41320	2,018.00	BOILER REPAIR, COIL & VALVE	
				Vendor Total:	2,018.00
FLOOR MAINTENANCE	WEB-29036	41321	750.54	DISPENSERS, HAND TOWELS	
				Vendor Total:	750.54
FOLLETT EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	312679F	41322	106.89	BOOKS	
				Vendor Total:	106.89
FREUDENBURG, MELISSA	MF-FEB2024	41323	549.94	FEBRUARY 2024 MILEAGE	
				Vendor Total:	549.94
GENERAL FUND CLEARING ACCOUNT	GF-FEB2024	41324	504.52	REIMBURSEMENT	
				Vendor Total:	504.52
H & R FOOD CENTER	HR-FEB2024	41325	75.60	SUPPLIES	
				Vendor Total:	75.60
HAFER, DALE	03072024	41326	262.00	MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT	
				Vendor Total:	262.00
HEARTLAND ROOFING CONSULTANTS	1276	41361	1,120.75	JAN/FEB/MAR CONTRACT	
				Vendor Total:	1,120.75
HILTON GARDEN INN	295119A	41327	117.00	HOTEL HAFER	
				Vendor Total:	117.00
ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO	310940	41328	43.70	CUTTING TIP, HELIARC CUP	
ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO	311862	41328	62.23	ELECTRODE, NOZZLE	
ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO	311863	41328	84.86	HELIARC CUP, ELECTRODE, NOZZLE	
ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO	311893	41328	83.47	FLINTS, ELECTRODES	
ISLAND SUPPLY WELDING CO	312516	41328	18.56	C25	
				Vendor Total:	292.82
JAMF SOFTWARE LLC	INV371647	41329	7,515.00	JAMF SOFTWARE SUBSCRIPTION	
				Vendor Total:	7,515.00
JONES SCHOOL SUPPLY CO, INC.	2051812	41330	104.00	STUDENT OF THE MONTH MEDALS & RIBBONS	
				Vendor Total:	104.00
KBR SOLID WASTE	3035	41362	50.00	CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS	
				Vendor Total:	50.00
KING, HEATHER	HK- -----	41331	498.38	OCTOBER 2023 TO FEBRUARY 2024 MILEAGE	
				Vendor Total:	498.38
LINCOLN MARRIOTT CORNHUSKER	02192024	41332	107.00	MOTEL HAFER	
				Vendor Total:	107.00

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LUNCHTIME SOLUTIONS	INV-36609	41333	460.98	PT CONFERENCE MEAL	
				Vendor Total:	460.98
MICHELLE APPELT	MA-FEB2024	41334	507.93	FEBRUARY 2024 MILEAGE	
				Vendor Total:	507.93
NASSP	9001772871	41335	385.00	NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY	
NASSP	9001787989	41335	385.00	NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY	
				Vendor Total:	770.00
NE COUNCIL OF SCHOOL ADMIN	80599	41363	75.00	GRIT CONF - HAFER	
				Vendor Total:	75.00
NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	NPPD19974-	41336	31.58	ELECTRICITY	
NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	NPPD19977-	41336	31.58	ELECTRICITY	
NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	NPPD19980-	41336	121.31	ELECTRICITY	
NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	NPPD19983-	41336	6,658.92	ELECTRICITY	
NEBRASKA PUBLIC POWER DISTRICT	NPPD19986-	41336	129.00	ELECTRICITY	
				Vendor Total:	6,972.39
NEBRASKA SAFETY & FIRE EQUIP	116761	41337	460.00	FIRE ALARM INSPECTION	
				Vendor Total:	460.00
NORTHEAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE	70285	41338	120.00	HEARTSAVER CPR AEC ACI	
NORTHEAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE	70288	41338	42.00	HEARTSAVER CPR AEC ACI	
				Vendor Total:	162.00
NRCSA	LF 064	41339	100.00	2024 LEGISLATIVE FORUM	
NRCSA	SC 0106	41339	440.00	2024 SPRING CONF WILKINS & HAFER	
				Vendor Total:	540.00
OFFICE PRODUCTS CENTER	01KY1443	41340	903.49	SERVICE CONTRACT	
				Vendor Total:	903.49
OLSONS PEST TECHNICIANS	340890	41341	92.00	MONTHLY SERVICE	
				Vendor Total:	92.00
PAM HOLLENBECK	PH-FEB2024	41342	725.61	FEBRUARY 2024 MILEAGE	
				Vendor Total:	725.61
PAPER TIGER SHREDDING	194901	41343	340.20	SHREDDING	
				Vendor Total:	340.20
PRECISION AUTOBODY	7315	41364	761.74	2009 CHEVY VAN HEADLIGHTS	
				Vendor Total:	761.74
PRESTIGE GROUP INC.	L2024-009	41344	3,300.00	MAR-APR BUS LEASE	
				Vendor Total:	3,300.00
QUADIENT	03012024	41345	700.00	POSTAGE	
				Vendor Total:	700.00
RED & WHITE	RW-FEB2024	41346	592.05	SUPPLIES	

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				Vendor Total:	592.05
RENTSCHLER, BROOKE	BR-FEB2024	41347	152.76	FEBRUARY 2024 MILEAGE	
				Vendor Total:	152.76
RUHTER, JULIE	JR-FEB2024	41348	653.05	FEBRUARY 2024 MILEAGE	
				Vendor Total:	653.05
SCHLUETER, LAVISA	LS-FEB2024	41349	42.10	INCENTIVES FOR PBIS	
				Vendor Total:	42.10
SCHMITZ, HANNAH	HS-JANFEB2024	41350	1,432.13	JANUARY - FEBRUARY 2024 MILEAGE	
				Vendor Total:	1,432.13
SEVEN SPRINGS INC	0115808	41351	101.00	WATER	
SEVEN SPRINGS INC	0115883	41351	45.00	RENTAL	
SEVEN SPRINGS INC	0116099	41365	57.00	WATER	
				Vendor Total:	203.00
SMITH, ASHLEY	AS-FEB2024	41352	704.93	FEBRUARY 2024 MILEAGE	
				Vendor Total:	704.93
THREE RIVER TELCO	10470258	41353	649.39	PHONE SERVICE	
				Vendor Total:	649.39
TK ELEVATOR CORPORATION	1000590185	41354	582.48	SERVICE MAR-MAY 2024	
				Vendor Total:	582.48
TRAVIS ELECTRIC INC	20649	41355	416.80	SERVICE CALL, LIGHTS	
TRAVIS ELECTRIC INC	20659	41355	505.78	SERVICE CALL, OUTLETS	
TRAVIS ELECTRIC INC	20674	41355	55.00	SERVICE CALL	
				Vendor Total:	977.58
TURPIN, AMANDA	AT-FEB2024	41356	689.33	FEBRUARY 2024 MILEAGE	
TURPIN, AMANDA	AT-JAN2024	41356	362.81	JANUARY 2024 MILEAGE	
				Vendor Total:	1,052.14
US BANK	USBANK4445-	41357	918.08	SUPPLIES	
				Vendor Total:	918.08
WAGEWORKS	INV6227545	41358	116.00	MONTHLY ADMIN FEE	
				Vendor Total:	116.00
WEX BANK	95595854	41359	1,433.48	FUEL	
				Vendor Total:	1,433.48
				Fund Total:	152,718.67
				Checking Account Total:	152,718.67
Checking	13	Fund: 13 SECTION 125			
WAGE WORKS INC	2048509-2048509	19	1,995.08	FUND TRANSFER	
				Vendor Total:	1,995.08
				Fund Total:	1,995.08

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				Checking Account Total:	1,995.08
Checking	4	Fund: 06 SCHOOL NUTRITION			
LUNCHTIME SOLUTIONS	INV-36409	58	533.44	DECEMBER FFVP	
LUNCHTIME SOLUTIONS	INV-36474	57	23,114.25	JANUARY MEALS	
LUNCHTIME SOLUTIONS	INV-36493	59	723.36	JANUARY FFVP	
				Vendor Total:	24,371.05
				Fund Total:	24,371.05
				Checking Account Total:	24,371.05
Checking	8	Fund: 08 SPECIAL BUILDING			
BOKF, NA	AINSWORCOP21-	430	96,873.75	AG BUILDING PAYMENT	
				Vendor Total:	96,873.75
WEST PLAINS BANK	CD2024	431	238,000.00	CD	
				Vendor Total:	238,000.00
				Fund Total:	334,873.75
				Checking Account Total:	334,873.75

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05 704	FUND BALANCE	50,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	50,000.00
05 704 0101	A CLUB BALANCE	1,833.27	546.00	60.00	0.00	1,347.27
05 704 0105	ACTIVITY TICKET BALANCE	3,680.00	60.00	0.00	0.00	3,620.00
05 704 0106	AD FUNDRAISER BALANCE	(23.29)	0.00	0.00	0.00	(23.29)
05 704 0120	ATHLETICS BALANCE	4,764.46	349.99	0.00	0.00	4,414.47
05 704 0125	BAND BALANCE	8,872.35	800.00	0.00	0.00	8,072.35
05 704 0126	BAND FUND RAISER	2,269.98	195.60	0.00	0.00	2,074.38
05 704 0127	BBB FUNDRAISER BALANCE	954.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	954.05
05 704 0132	BOYS GOLF FUNDRAISER	926.67	0.00	0.00	0.00	926.67
05 704 0136	CLAPPER CD BALANCE	128.82	0.00	0.00	0.00	128.82
05 704 0137	CARL PERKINS BALANCE	297.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	297.05
05 704 0140	CHEER FUNDRAISER BALANCE	934.04	37.06	0.00	0.00	896.98
05 704 0145	CHORUS BALANCE	1,466.80	138.48	0.00	0.00	1,328.32
05 704 0167	CONCESSIONS - BULLDOG BALANCE	17,436.11	4,711.91	13,281.18	0.00	26,005.38
05 704 0168	VB FUNDRAISER BALANCE	5,522.13	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,522.13
05 704 0169	COCA COLA PARTNERSHIP BALANCE	11,589.50	50.00	0.00	0.00	11,539.50
05 704 0175	DRILL TEAM FUNDRAISER BALANCE	3,804.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,804.17
05 704 0180	DRIVER EDUCATION BALANCE	2,860.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,860.00
05 704 0185	ELEMENTARY FACULTY BALANCE	3,937.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,937.25
05 704 0186	ENTREPRENEUR CLASS BALANCE	156.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	156.40
05 704 0187	ESU INSERVICE BALANCE	487.01	0.00	0.00	0.00	487.01
05 704 0188	EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION BALANCE	2,436.35	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,436.35
05 704 0190	FBLA BALANCE	2,057.16	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,057.16
05 704 0195	FFA BALANCE	44,714.22	211.11	0.00	0.00	44,503.11
05 704 0196	FFA SWEETCORN BALANCE	10,988.35	0.00	0.00	0.00	10,988.35
05 704 0200	FCCLA BALANCE	1,783.07	913.23	994.50	0.00	1,864.34
05 704 0205	FOREIGN LANGUAGE BALANCE	1,086.98	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,086.98
05 704 0210	GBB FUNDRAISER BALANCE	2,863.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,863.50
05 704 0215	GENERAL SHOP BALANCE	(564.49)	2,059.21	0.00	0.00	(2,623.70)
05 704 0221	GIRLS GOLF FUNDRAISER BALANCE	183.37	0.00	0.00	0.00	183.37
05 704 0223	MS TRACK FUNDRAISER BALANCE	157.27	0.00	0.00	0.00	157.27
05 704 0225	HIGH SCHOOL FACULTY BALANCE	1,006.79	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,006.79
05 704 0230	INTEREST BALANCE	12,731.58	0.00	452.58	0.00	13,184.16
05 704 0235	INVESTMENTS BALANCE	(50,000.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00	(50,000.00)
05 704 0240	ONE ACTS BALANCE	449.66	0.00	0.00	0.00	449.66
05 704 0244	FOOTBALL FUNDRAISER BALANCE	9,846.57	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,846.57

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05 704 0245	LIBRARY BALANCE	13,047.93	27.78	0.00	0.00	13,020.15
05 704 0251	MID SCH STUDENT COUNCIL BALANCE	3,588.01	24.00	0.00	0.00	3,564.01
05 704 0255	MISCELLANEOUS BALANCE	(95.16)	620.48	500.00	0.00	(215.64)
05 704 0256	PLAYGROUND BALANCE	7,629.13	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,629.13
05 704 0257	DI GLOBAL FINALS BALANCE	6,000.99	80.00	0.00	0.00	5,920.99
05 704 0258	RENTALS BALANCE	1,972.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,972.50
05 704 0259	DISTRICT MUSIC BALANCE	2,305.65	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,305.65
05 704 0260	NATIONAL HISTORY DAY BALANCE	1,739.88	135.00	0.00	0.00	1,604.88
05 704 0261	MOCK TRIAL BALANCE	(208.34)	1,748.00	100.00	0.00	(1,856.34)
05 704 0262	QUIZ BOWL	334.03	233.00	165.00	0.00	266.03
05 704 0265	SPEECH TOURNAMENT BALANCE	3,165.00	135.33	0.00	0.00	3,029.67
05 704 0270	HS STUDENT COUNCIL BALANCE	126.36	0.00	0.00	0.00	126.36
05 704 0271	STUDENT WELLNESS BALANCE	1,707.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,707.80
05 704 0273	SUMMER INS BALANCE	3,079.71	1,940.07	2,143.64	0.00	3,283.28
05 704 0275	SUMMER READING/MATH BALANCE	502.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	502.60
05 704 0277	ONE TO ONE TECHNOLOGY BALANCE	6,935.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	6,935.90
05 704 0280	THESPIANS BALANCE	2,869.41	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,869.41
05 704 0282	TRACK FUNDRAISER BALANCE	1,360.41	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,360.41
05 704 0284	VIDEO BOARD	39,055.59	86.31	0.00	0.00	38,969.28
05 704 0285	VISUAL ARTS CLUB BALANCE	7,649.23	0.00	0.00	0.00	7,649.23
05 704 0286	YEARBOOK BALANCE	15,797.23	0.00	791.00	0.00	16,588.23
05 704 0288	XC FUNDRAISER BALANCE	(13.97)	0.00	0.00	0.00	(13.97)
05 704 0290	WR BOYS FUNDRAISER BALANCE	3,435.74	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,435.74
05 704 0291	WEICHMAN LC BALANCE	1,977.12	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,977.12
05 704 0292	WR GIRLS FUNDRAISER	1,948.08	0.00	114.90	0.00	2,062.98
05 704 1001	HS FOOTBALL BALANCE	(2,924.99)	1,630.00	920.00	0.00	(3,634.99)
05 704 1002	MS FOOTBALL BALANCE	1,299.85	1,267.00	0.00	0.00	32.85
05 704 1003	HS VOLLEYBALL BALANCE	3,758.57	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,758.57
05 704 1004	MS VOLLEYBALL BALANCE	4,713.76	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,713.76
05 704 1005	CROSS COUNTRY BALANCE	1,599.08	104.00	0.00	0.00	1,495.08
05 704 1006	HS WRESTLING BALANCE	250.44	1,017.52	166.70	0.00	(600.38)
05 704 1007	MS WRESTLING BALANCE	3,914.62	471.00	256.00	0.00	3,699.62
05 704 1008	HS TRACK BALANCE	(2,546.82)	440.00	0.00	0.00	(2,986.82)
05 704 1009	MS TRACK BALANCE	1,496.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,496.05
05 704 1010	HS BOYS BASKETBALL BALANCE	3,949.07	8,306.11	8,713.50	0.00	4,356.46
05 704 1011	MS BOYS BASKETBALL BALANCE	1,619.03	160.00	292.00	0.00	1,751.03

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05 704 1012	HS GIRLS BASKETBALL BALANCE	(3,102.50)	4,075.12	5,552.50	0.00	(1,625.12)
05 704 1013	MS GIRLS BASKETBALL BALANCE	3,282.91	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,282.91
05 704 1014	BOYS GOLF BALANCE	2,052.73	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,052.73
05 704 1015	TRAINING SUPPLIES BALANCE	3,234.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,234.54
05 704 1016	GIRLS GOLF BALANCE	146.71	0.00	0.00	0.00	146.71
05 704 1017	CHEER BALANCE	(4,707.00)	400.00	0.00	0.00	(5,107.00)
05 704 1018	DRILL TEAM BALANCE	(1,208.13)	450.00	0.00	0.00	(1,658.13)
05 704 1020	MS GOLF BALANCE	68.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	68.00
05 704 2017	CLASS OF 2017 BALANCE	637.78	0.00	0.00	0.00	637.78
05 704 2018	CLASS OF 2018 BALANCE	55.94	0.00	0.00	0.00	55.94
05 704 2019	CLASS OF 2019 BALANCE	553.93	0.00	0.00	0.00	553.93
05 704 2020	CLASS OF 2020 BALANCE	246.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	246.04
05 704 2021	CLASS OF 2021 BALANCE	274.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	274.08
05 704 2022	CLASS OF 2022 BALANCE	90.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	90.06
05 704 2023	CLASS OF 2023 BALANCE	517.58	0.00	0.00	0.00	517.58
05 704 2024	CLASS OF 2024 BALANCE	1,758.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,758.75
05 704 2025	CLASS OF 2025 BALANCE	5,274.14	702.71	0.00	0.00	4,571.43
05 704 2026	CLASS OF 2026 BALANCE	3,476.68	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,476.68
05 704 2027	CLASS OF 2027 BALANCE	1,983.41	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,983.41
05 704 2028	CLASS OF 2028 BALANCE	1,090.63	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,090.63
05 704 2029	CLASS OF 2029 BALANCE	802.38	0.00	0.00	0.00	802.38
05 704 2030	CLASS OF 2030	78.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	78.00
Fund Total: 05		321,283.30	34,126.02	34,503.50	0.00	321,660.78

CASH FLOW

February 2024

Date	Description	Investment	NSDLAF	Receipt	Payment	Total
2/1/2024	BALANCE FORWARD	\$1,042,000.00	\$912,000.00			\$506,353.76
2/1/2024	STATE OF NE - CTE 3551			\$7,500.00		\$513,853.76
2/2/2024	ACS-NAT'L FFA EXPENSE			\$3,300.49		\$517,154.25
2/9/2024	RETIREMENT				\$64,150.53	\$453,003.72
2/12/2024	GENERAL BILLS				\$149,674.66	\$303,329.06
2/13/2024	SPED SA FFR REIM 22-23			\$121,755.00		\$425,084.06
2/15/2024	BROWN CO TR-MV TAXES			\$54,082.29		\$479,166.35
	-TAXES			\$139,667.99		\$618,834.34
	-INTEREST			\$2,393.70		\$621,228.04
	-HOMESTEAD			\$22,174.87		\$643,402.91
	-PROP TAX CREDIT			\$274,650.19		\$918,053.10
	-COURT FINES			\$1,928.44		\$919,981.54
	-MISC REVENUE			\$2,711.71		\$922,693.25
2/15/2024	PAYROLL				\$341,393.00	\$581,300.25
	PAYROLL				\$122,779.40	\$458,520.85
2/15/2024	STATE OF NE - MENTAL HEALTH			\$3,000.00		\$461,520.85
2/20/2024	CNCS- TEACHER SALARY			\$30,000.00		\$491,520.85
2/20/2024	ROCK CO TREASURER - TAXES			\$957.26		\$492,478.11
	-PROP TAX CREDIT			\$1,167.38		\$493,645.49
	-MV PRO RATA			\$8.99		\$493,654.48
2/20/2024	CD		\$100,000.00			\$493,654.48
2/29/2024	STATE AID			\$62,193.00		\$555,847.48
2/29/2024	HOMESTEAD - NOW INTEREST			\$921.71		\$556,769.19
2/29/2024	TOTAL	\$1,042,000.00	\$1,012,000.00	\$728,413.02	\$677,997.59	\$556,769.19

February 29, 2024

INVESTMENTS

CLAPPER

Week of	Amount	Term	Homestead	WPB	Number	Maturity
June 20, 2022	4,000	24 Mo	<u>0.50%</u>	0.45%		Jun 24, 2024

ACTIVITY ACCOUNT

Week of	Amount	Term	Homestead	WPB	Number	Maturity
Jun 20, 2023	25,000	12 Mo	<u>4.80%</u>	4.29%	9524682	Jun 15, 2024
Dec 20, 2023	25,000	12 Mo	5.00%	<u>5.25%</u>	26208125	Dec 20, 2024

GENERAL FUND

Week of	Amount	Term	Homestead	WPB	Number	Maturity
Jun 20, 2023	300,000	9 Mo	4.95%	4.63%	<u>NLAF 5.35%</u>	Mar 15, 2024
Sep 20, 2023	242,000	7 Mo	<u>5.48%</u>	5.00%	NLAF 5.45%	Apr 15, 2024
Sep 15, 2023	125,000	8 Mo	5.25%	5.00%	<u>NLAF 5.55%</u>	May 15, 2024
Oct 13, 2023	246,000	8 Mo	5.48%	5.45%	<u>NLAF 5.55%</u>	Jun 14, 2023
Jan 12, 2024	250,000	6 Mo	<u>5.35%</u>	5.12%	NLAF 5.28%	Jul 15, 2024
Jan 12, 2024	275,000	7 Mo	<u>5.35%</u>	5.02%	NLAF 5.06%	Aug 15, 2024
Jan 12, 2024	275,000	8 Mo	<u>5.35%</u>	4.61%	NLAF 5.02%	Sep 13, 2024
Feb 15, 2024	241,000	8 Mo	5.05%	5.15%	<u>NLAF 5.20%</u>	Oct 15, 2024
Feb 15, 2024	100,000	8 Mo	5.05%	5.15%	<u>NLAF 5.15%</u>	Oct 15, 2024

DEPRECIATION FUND

Week of	Amount	Term	Homestead	WPB	Number	Maturity
Feb 20, 2024	237,000	12 Mo	4.95%	5.15%	<u>NSDLAF5.20%</u>	Feb 14, 2025

BUILDING FUND

Week of	Amount	Term	Homestead	WPB	Number	Maturity
Aug 21, 2022	246,000	12 Mo	5.35%	5.00%	<u>NSDLAF5.53%</u>	Aug 20, 2024
Feb 15, 2024	238,000	12 Mo	4.95%	<u>5.15%</u>	26221425NLAF5.14%	Feb 14, 2025

EMPLOYEE BENEFIT FUND

Week of	Amount	Term	Homestead	WPB	Number	Maturity
Jan 19, 2024	100,000	12 Mo	4.95%	5.25%	<u>NSDLAF5.35%</u>	Jan 15, 2025

FUND BALANCES

2/29/2024

DEPRECIATION FUND

Account	Checking	CD	NSDLAF	Total
Band/Choir Uniforms	\$ 576.62			\$ 576.62
Vehicle	10,537.58			10,537.58
Desks	191.01			191.01
Interest	38,931.25	-		38,931.25
Ag Equipment	3,000.00			3,000.00
Undesignated	124,679.59	-	237,000.00	361,679.59
TOTALS	\$ 177,916.05	\$ -	\$ 237,000.00	\$ 414,916.05

BUILDING/SINKING FUND

Account	Checking	CD		Total
Track	\$ -			\$ -
Bleachers	-			-
Interest	27,433.26		-	27,433.26
Undesignated	220,705.97	238,000.00	246,000.00	704,705.97
TOTALS	\$ 248,139.23	\$ 238,000.00	\$ 246,000.00	\$ 732,139.23

EMPLOYEE BENEFIT FUND

Account	Checking	CD		Total
Unemployment	\$ 6,967.55			\$ 6,967.55
Volunteer Retirement	9,074.49			9,074.49
Interest	2,470.23		100,000.00	102,470.23
TOTALS	\$ 18,512.27	\$ -	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 118,512.27

BOND FUND

Account	Checking	CD		Total
Bond	\$ -			\$ -

STUDENT FEES

Account	Checking			Total
Fees	\$ 1,575.00			\$ 1,575.00



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Board of Education Meeting
3/11/2024

For February we accepted the challenge of **“Improving a little Every day.”** This is a really important goal in my eyes to help students push past this middle-of-the-year slump and continue to focus on success no matter what the challenge is.

March’s Monthly mission is **“Every day, I will learn something new.”** I really enjoy this goal for all students, staff, and stakeholders in the community to show how being a lifelong learner is very important. You always want to continue learning and sharing what you learn is a great way to start a positive learning culture.

We recently celebrated Read Across America and the birthday of Dr. Seuss at McAndrew Elementary. To celebrate Mrs. Welch designed a week for the kids to dress up and focus on a certain book from Dr. Seuss. The NEA’s Read Across America program looks into the issue of children's literacy. Overall, our goal is to enhance awareness when it comes to reading and reading fluently. Any and all efforts to improve reading at an early age are extremely beneficial!

Our 5-12 Band and Choir Concert was on Thursday, February 29th. Students in 5th-12th grade band and choir performed different compositions throughout the night and were able to showcase how much they’ve improved throughout the school year. The students, led by Mrs. Rathe and Mrs. Nilson, did a wonderful job. Mrs. Rathe also had a very interesting and exciting feature working in rhythm and dance with a percussion piece using exercise balls!



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We are continuing to prepare for our spring NSCAS Growth test(s), which is the state accountability test given to all 3rd-8th grade students. Students will be tested in Math and English/Language Arts (ELA), as well as 5th and 8th grade students being tested on Science. This will begin at the end of this month!

Current Enrollment for the 2023-2024 school year as of March 5th:

***PK: 36 students**

Kindergarten- **25**

1st Grade- **26**

2nd Grade- **23**

3rd Grade- **29**

4th Grade- **27**

5th Grade- **32**

6th Grade- **29**

Total: 191 Students K-6

Total: 227 Students Pk-6



Report to the Board of Education
March 2024



Enrollment Summary					
Middle School (7th & 8th)			High School		
Grade Level	Total in Grade		Grade Level	Total in Grade	
7th Grade	M 10 / F 14	24	9th Grade	M 11 / F 15	26
8th Grade	M 20 / F 7	27	10th Grade	M 13 / F 11	24
			11th Grade	M 13 / F 15	28
			12th Grade	M 15 / F 20	35
Total	M 30 / F 21	51	Total	M 52 / F 61	113

UNK College Visit

On Wednesday, February 14th, 7 students in grades 10-12 attended a group college visit to the University of Nebraska at Kearney. This was made possible through College Access Grant funding, by EducationQuest. The students had a grand campus tour followed by an informational session and enjoyed yummy food at the cafeteria. *(Lisa Schlueter)*



Americanism Speech Contest Winners

Upon returning from Christmas break, the 7th and 8th grade students in Miss Hancock's English class were tasked with exploring the topic of "What does freedom mean to me?" for this year's Americanism Essay competition. Collaborating with their peers, these students engaged in brainstorming sessions, conducted research to support their main points, and embarked on the writing process to ensure their essays were completed before the deadline. The creativity and personalization evident in their writing truly showcased the excellence of Ainsworth Community Schools. The winners of the competition are as follows:

- 1st place Cesar Guichard Mingo
- 2nd place Addilyn Doke
- 3rd place Raelynn Reagan

Cesar's essay will move on to the next level of competition. Also, these three, along with their parents, will be invited to a potluck dinner on Tuesday, March 26th at the Legion Hall at 6:30 p.m.. These individuals read their speeches that evening and will receive a small prize. Congratulations to all the contestants on a job well done!

The FFA Teams have had a very busy last several weeks. Here are the updates from the Past couple of weeks

FFA District Proficiency Results

Gold - State Qualifying:

Makenzy Cheatum - Ag Sales Placement
Tessa Barthel - Ag Services Placement
Trey Appelt - Diversified Ag Production
Airyan Goochey - Diversified Crop Production
Entrepreneurship
Aiden Jackman - Diversified Crop Production
Placement
Hannah Beel - Diversified Crop Production
Aiden Jackman - Fiber and Oil Crop Production
Airyan Goochey - Fiber and Oil Crop Production
Trey Appelt - Forage Production
Aiden Jackman - Grain Production

Breanna Fernau - Health and Human Services
Preselyn Goochey - Health and Human Services
Karli Kral - Home and Occupational Safety
Programming
Emma Kennedy - Home and Occupational Safety
Programming
Terrin Barthel - Hospitality, Restaurant, and Tourism
Management
Terra Shoemaker - Nursery Operations
Trey Appelt - Outdoor Recreation
Gracie Kinney - Vet Science
Brianna Starkey - Vet Science

Gold:

Addah Booth - Automotive Technology
Miah Ortner - Beef Production Placement
Braxton Fletcher - Beef Production Placement
Airyan Goochey - Diversified Crop Production
Placement
Airyan Goochey - Grain Production

Tessa Barthel - Hospitality, Restaurant, and Tourism
Management
Hannah Beel - Poultry Production
Kadence Fletcher - Sales and Services

Silver:

Hannah Beel - Beef Production
Entrepreneurship
Hannah Beel - Beef Production Placement
Trey Appelt - Beef Production Placement
Hannah Beel - Diversified Ag Production
Kinsey Walz - Equine Science

Braxton Fletcher - Forage Production
Jonathan Strand - Forage Production
Hannah Beel - Goat Production
Megan Jones - Hospitality, Restaurant, and
Tourism Management

Bronze:

Holden Beel - Beef Production Placement
Rowan LeMunyan - Beef Production Placement
Kenley Welke - Beef Production Placement
Braden Freudenburg - Beef Production
Placement

Christina Fernau - Health and Human Services
Addah Booth - Hospitality, Restaurant, and
Tourism Management

State Proficiency Review

State Finalist:

Aiden Jackman - Fiber and Oil Crop Production
Trey Appelt - Outdoor Recreation

Gracie Kinney - Vet Science

Gold

Makenzy Cheatum - Ag Sales
Aiden Jackman - Diversified Crop Production
Placement
Hannah Beel - Diversified Livestock Production

Preselyn Goochey - Health and Human Services
Brianna Starkey - Vet Science

Silver

Airyann Goochey - Diversified Crop Production
Entrepreneurship
Airyann Goochey - Fiber and Oil Crop Production
Breanna Fernau - Health and Human Services

Karli Kral - Home and Occupational Safety
Programming
Terra Shoemaker - Nursery Operations

Bronze

Tessa Barthel - Ag Services
Trey Appelt - Diversified Ag Production
Trey Appelt - Forage Production
Emma Kennedy - Home and Occupational Safety
Programming

Terin Bartel - Hospitality, Restaurant, and Tourism
Management

CDE Results:

State Qualifying

Floriculture - Emma Kennedy, Tessa Barthel, Breanna Fernau, and Makenzy Cheatum

Agriscience - Londyn Dunbar, Branden Freudenburg, Kinsey Walz, Kenley Welke - Other team members:
Holden Beel and Meryssa Canaday

Vet Science - Gracie Kinney, Megan Jones, Brianna Starkey, Miah Ortner - Other team members:
Jakelynn Minor, Kinsey Walz, Kenley Welke, Addi Held, and Meryssa Canaday

State Alternate

Ag Sales - Trey Appelt, Karli Kral, Emma Kennedy (District Champion), and Tessa Barthel

Nursery and Landscape - Terra Shoemaker, Terrin Barthel, Christina Fernau, and Preselyn Goochey

Non-Qualifying Teams

Food Science - Addah Booth, Brianna Starkey, Braxton Fletcher, Lura Hodge, Jakelynn Minor, Kadence Fletcher, and Christina Fernau

Livestock Management - Branden Freudenburg, Gracie Kinney, Hannah Beel, Megan Jones, and Rowan Lemunyan

Agronomy - Trey Appelt, Aiden Jackman, Airyan Goochey, Riggin Blumenstock, Holden Beel, Branden Freudenburg

Environmental and Natural Resources: Preselyn Goochey, Makenzy Cheatum, Terrin Barthel, Tessa Barthel, Christina Fernau, Kadence Fletcher, Braxton Fletcher and Lura Hodge

Ag Biotechnology - Trey Appelt, Breanna Fernau, Aiden Jackman, Brianna Starkey

State Degree Recipients

Trey Appelt

Terrin Barthel

Tessa Barthel

Riggin Blumenstock

Makenzy Cheatum

Kadence Fletcher

Airyan Goochey

Lura Hodge

Gracie Kinney

Karli Kral

Jakelynn Minor

Respectfully Submitted:

Steve Dike

7-12 Principal

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ACTIVITIES DEPARTMENT



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Luke Wroblewski Activities Directors

MARCH 2024 ACTIVITIES REPORT

Jolyn Pozehl (district champion) qualified for the NSAA Girls State Wrestling Meet in the G-4 District in Broken Bow. Pozehl earned a Runner-up state medal in the G110 class. The boys wrestling team wrestled at Weeping Water in the D-1 District meet. No one qualified for the state meet.

The girls' basketball team finished their season as District Runner-ups with a 13-11 record.

The boys basketball team is playing in the NSAA Boys State Tournament. The boys defeated Axtell in the District Finals to advance to the State Tournament.

The speech team hosted the Ainsworth Invitational on February 17th. They competed at the SWC Meet in Gothenburg on February 26th, finishing in 9th place with a limited squad due to the FFA CDE contest being held on the same day. The C2-3 district meet will be held on March 11 at Hartington-Newcastle—the Class C2 State Speech Meet, which will be held at UNK on Thursday, March 21st.

High school track and field began practice the week of February 28th. The first track competition is scheduled for Tuesday, March 19th, in Vermillion at the Dan Lennon Invite hosted by USD. Our meet, the Ainsworth Relays, is scheduled for Friday, March 22. Field events are scheduled for a 1:00 start, with the running events starting at 4:00. Hopefully, the weather will cooperate this Track and field season.

The golf team hopes to begin practice the week of March 11th. The first scheduled boys' golf competition is a team scramble in Bassett on Tuesday, March 26th, followed by a home quad on March 28th with a 3:00 start time. Again, hopefully, the weather will be nice, so the planned schedule will take place.

A 5-12 band and choir concert was held on Thursday, February 29th. Selected Ainsworth band, choir, and art students will travel to Holdrege for the annual SWC Fine Arts Festival on Saturday, March 16th. The awards presentation and concert will be held at 5:30 pm.

National FFA Week was celebrated from February 18th to 24th. Students competed in the District Career Development Events on Monday, February 26th, in Norfolk and the Meat Judging, Natural Resources, and Vet Science Competition on Tuesday, March 5th, in Sargent. Individuals and teams are preparing for the state competition, which will be held in Lincoln from April 3rd to 5th.

State FCCLA will be held in Lincoln on April 7th-9th.

State FBLA Leadership Convention will be held in Kearney on April 11th-13th.

DI Presentation Night was held on February 27th. On February 24th, they competed at Regional DI in Columbus. State DI will be held in Kearney on April 6th.

Quiz Bowl is off and running for the spring season. Our team opened the season at the Gothenburg Invite. We will host a MS/HS Tri with Keya Paha County and Rock County on Wednesday, March 13th. The MS has the Highway 20 meet hosted by ESU #17 on Tuesday, April 2nd. The HS ESU #17 Quiz Bowl is on Wednesday, April 3. The SWC Quiz Bowl competition will be held in McCook on Wednesday, April 10th.

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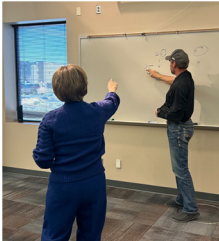
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Education Committee Hearings - Monday-Tuesday at 1:30 PM - Room 1525

Revenue Committee Hearings - Wednesday-Thursday-Friday at 1:30 PM - Room 1524

As you can see by this months SNAPSHOTS, NASB has testified in-person or via letter on dozens of bills in front of a number of Committees. Many SBMs made their way to Lincoln to share their stories while advocating for public education and local control. We are always hosting members who want to engage in advocacy in person. Let us know if you want sit in on a hearing, watch debate, or engage with Senators at the Capitol. Invite is open, just call us. Stay up to speed via the NASB Bills Page at <https://nasb.envisiams.com/legislative-bills>



Finance Workshops - Lincoln, North Platte, & Gering

Amplified Finance / Budget & Finance Workshop - March 5 - Lincoln

Amplified Finance / Budget & Finance Workshop - March 19 - North Platte

Amplified Finance Workshop - March 20 - Gering

State Conference Call for Proposals - Due March 14 - See Page 3

NAEP State Convention - March 27-28 - Kearney



Leadership Workshop - June 5-6 - Lincoln

NASB Member Golf Outing - June 12 - Kearney

School Leaders & Law Conference - June 12-13 - Kearney

To register for an NASB event, click on the 'My Membership' link, then navigate to the 'Events' dropdown and select 'Register'. If you do not have an email and password to log in or have forgotten it, please contact NASB at 800-422-4572 for assistance.

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The time has come to begin planning for the 2024 State Education Conference

The Conference will be held November 20-22, 2024, at the CHI Health Center. We are looking forward to this opportunity to gather and grow in our role as school leaders.

You are invited to submit a proposal for a breakout session. This is an opportunity to showcase innovation in your district. Each breakout session must focus on topics of interest to Nebraska's public school board members and administrators. Student presenters are encouraged where possible! Reminder: the Conference does not reimburse session presenters for any expenses.

Visit <https://nasb.envisiams.com/proposals> and log in with your email and password to submit a breakout session proposal.

DEADLINE FOR PROPOSAL SUBMISSIONS IS 5:00 PM CT, FRIDAY, MARCH 14TH

The Conference Planning Committee will meet March 26th to make selections for the 2024 State Education Conference. Please contact Sharon Endorf at 402-423-4951 or sendorf@NASBonline.org with any questions.



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BOARD CALENDAR AGENDA ITEMS FOR YOUR MONTHLY MEETINGS

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Each month, this space reflects recommended regular board meeting agenda items to include in the upcoming board meeting agenda. Please contact Marcia at mherring@NASBonline.org if you have questions or recommendations for improving the Board Meeting Annual Calendar.

MARCH BOARD AGENDA ITEMS

Please see the February 15 email from mherring@NASBonline.org and shiggins@NASBonline.org for the draft of the March Board Meeting Agenda. If you have questions or need us to resend the email, please feel free to contact Marcia at 402-450-5152 or Stacie at 402-209-1608. If following the reorganization of the board, the president and vice president are new to the role, please email Marcia or Stacie at the email addresses listed above, so we may update our records.

UPCOMING NASB BOARD LEADERSHIP EVENTS

2024 Candidate Workshops

July 9 - Candidate Workshop - Ogallala Library

July 10 - Candidate Workshop - Hastings ESU 9

July 11 - Candidate Workshop - Ord High School

July 16 - Candidate Workshop - ESU 6

The March 1 deadline for non-incumbent board candidates to file for school board is fast approaching.

Once the deadline has passed, the Board Leadership Team encourages the Superintendent and Board President to invite the candidate(s) to visit the district. This will initiate a positive working relationship by learning more about the individual(s) and sharing information pertaining to board service. Consider downloading a copy of the NASB Preparing To Serve publication from the Board Leadership section of www.NASBonline.org under Resources. This publication is free to the district and provides a broad overview of the basics of board service.

Following the 2024 Primary Election in May, the Association will mail a Candidate packet to each non-incumbent who will appear on the General Election ballot. We will include in this packet a copy of the 2024 Preparing To Serve publication, NASB Association Membership Guide and a personal invite to attend the Candidate Workshop to be held throughout the State July 2024.

The Candidate Workshop is designed to provide a high-level overview of the role and responsibilities of a board member. This workshop is sponsored/provided free of charge to all participants courtesy of the Nebraska Public Leadership Foundation [NPLF]. Target audience includes non-incumbent board candidates, experienced board members who wish to accompany candidates, and superintendents.

If you have questions and/or wish to learn more about the workshop, please feel free to contact a Board Leadership team member at 800-422-4572. Registration is not required but appreciated.

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TRACK 1 - AFTERNOON WORKSHOP

***LINCOLN - NORTH PLATTE - GERING**

SUGGESTED AUDIENCE

Superintendents/ESU Administrators, Business Managers,
and your Board's Finance Committee Members
Registration Fee: \$100 for members, \$200 for non-members

AMPLIFIED FINANCE MODULE AGENDA

11:30 AM - REGISTRATION
12:00 PM - LUNCH, FOLLOWED BY THE WORKSHOP
4:30 PM - ADJOURN

This afternoon workshop, led by school finance experts Carl Dietz and Matt Fisher, will be a more detailed, intense learning experience for those truly in the thick of school finance, compared to the traditional evening session.

Highlights:

1. Review all the funds
2. Discuss the district audit report and how it relates to the AFR
3. Perform a detailed NDE budget for all funds
4. Prepare a line item budget for all receipts and expenses
5. Explain how to prepare a five-year projection of receipts, expenses, and cash balance
6. Payroll preparation
7. Building a capital replacement schedule
8. How to build a cost group spending comparability spreadsheet



TRACK 2 - EVENING WORKSHOP

***LINCOLN & NORTH PLATTE ONLY**

SUGGESTED AUDIENCE

School Board Members,
Superintendents/ESU Administrators
Registration Fee: \$70 for members, \$170 for non-members

TRADITIONAL BUDGET & FINANCE AGENDA

5:00 PM - REGISTRATION
5:30 PM - DINNER, FOLLOWED BY THE WORKSHOP
8:30 PM - ADJOURN

Both new and veteran school board members must have a fundamental understanding of school finance. Superintendents, business managers, and bookkeepers are required to have a deep and comprehensive understanding of finance because taxpayers and citizens are asking districts to provide more detailed information about their finances. This evening workshop will feature Carl Dietz and Matt Fisher, two school finance experts, who will structure the presentation around all aspects of the school district finance such as:

1. Discussion of financial information that should be provided to board members and the community, including samples
2. The budgeting process is not a 'one and done' activity, rather it's something that needs to be discussed throughout the entire year
3. What to look for in your audit report and the Annual Financial Report
4. Importance of cash reserves
5. The importance of having a 5-year financial plan
6. How to properly build a capital replacement schedule
7. Understanding TEEOSA and Foundation Aid, LB 583 & LB 243
8. A brief discussion of LB 644 and the Joint Public Hearings

TO REGISTER FOR ONE OR BOTH OF THE WORKSHOPS*

Go to www.NASBOnline.org, and log in using your email and password

March 5 - Lincoln (Embassy Suites) ... Register by 2/29/24
March 19 - North Platte (Venue 304) ... Register by 3/14/24
*March 20 - Gering (Civic Center) ... Register by 3/14/24

(Afternoon Only)

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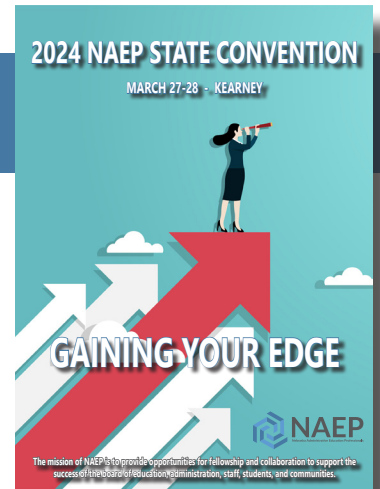
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NAEP STATE CONVENTION

MARCH 27-28 - KEARNEY

The NAEP State Convention will offer opportunities for district and ESU bookkeepers, business managers, secretaries, administrative assistants, and other office staff to engage in presentations and conversations regarding a variety of topics including:

- Document Retention with Dr. Thomas Szlanda, Hastings Public Schools HR Director & Shayla Dunn, Hastings Public Schools HR Assistant
- At the Board Table and Annual Board Calendar & Board Agenda with Marcia Herring, NASB Director of Board Leadership
- Google Tools with Jason Everett and Peg Coover, ESU 10 Educational Technology Trainers
- Budget & Finance with Carl Dietz, FNBO Public Finance Director
- YOU vs. YOU – To truly serve others, we must serve ourselves first with Casey Molifua, Hastings College Senior Lecturer of Physical Education
- Co-Workers and Conflict with Kari Stephens, NASB Development & Learning Specialist
- Office Personnel – A Vital Component to a Positive School Climate with Heather Stuke, ESU 10 Teaching and Learning Coordinator
- Self-Care... Give Your Best, Not What's Left! with Linda Anderson, EHA Wellness



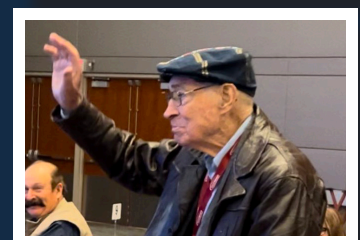
NASB would like to honor the life and service to public education of Don Ellison, who served on the ESU 7 Board for 51 (FIFTY-ONE!) years from 1971 to 2023, and passed away earlier this January.

"We lost a champion of education, learning, and service. Don was an incredible supporter of the work we do, the mission we held, and the vision we worked to achieve every day." Larianne Polk, ESU 7 Administrator

Don graduated from Waco High School, then attended York College before volunteering for the U.S. Army during the Korean War and was deployed to Panama as a radioman. Upon returning home, he attended the University of Nebraska, where he was an outstanding gymnast. Don served on the Rising City School Board for 29 years, and was elected to the ESU 7 board in July of 1971, where he served as president from 1986 until 2020. He continued his time on the board until just this past year when he stepped down. Don received special recognition for 51 years of service at the 2022 State Education Conference, something he was very proud of.

"I knew Don for about four years. He never ceased to amaze me. He was a very smart, kind, and happy man. I consider myself blessed for being able to know him." Mindy Reed, ESU 7 Executive Secretary

It was not uncommon for Don to pop into the NASB offices when in Lincoln just to say hello! He will be missed by so many. Education in Nebraska is better because of him.



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In addition, all Nebraska legal references will be linked online directly from your individual policies, allowing administrators quick access to the relevant statutory language. Cross references to other relevant policies within the board policy manual will also be linked.

Through a password protected access, you can allow selected employees to make changes or additions to the online manual. Just imagine how much this will simplify the process of keeping your manual current! For those of you already subscribing to the NASB Policy Updates, over the rest of this semester and this summer we will be working with your policy team to be certain we have all the needed changes to your manual to get it onto Sparq Online Policy Publishing. We are excited at the prospect of having all this up and running for our districts for the next school year.

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KEY PRIORITY BILLS

 **LB 43 (Government Priority) - Adopt the First Freedom Act and the Personal Privacy Protection Act, authorize tribal regalia to be worn by students, change provisions relating to withholding records from the public, provide requirements for interpretation of statutes, rules, and regulations, and prohibit state agencies from imposing certain requirements on charitable organizations**

 **LB 71 (Meyer Priority) - Change provisions relating to parental involvement in and access to learning materials in schools**

LB 338 (Revenue Priority) - Change provisions relating to sales taxes

LB 441 (Albrecht Priority) - Change provisions relating to obscenity

LB 575 (Kauth Priority) - Adopt the Sports and Spaces Act

 **LB 952 (Aguilar Priority) - Require the Department of Health and Human Services to implement the federal Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer**

LB 1017 (Business & Labor Priority) - Change the schedule of compensation for certain injuries resulting in disability under the Nebraska Workers' Compensation Act


LB 1092 (Murman Priority) - Adopt the Online Age Verification Liability Act

 **LB 1284 (Walz Priority) - Provide for a statewide computer science education expansion program**

LB 1317 (Revenue Priority) - State findings relating to property taxes

LB 1329 (Education Priority) - Change provisions of the Nebraska Career Scholarship Act


LB 1331 (Education Priority) - Change provisions related to truancy and attendance and various programs administered by the State Department of Education

 **LB 1402 (Linehan Priority) - Appropriate funds to the State Treasurer for the purpose of providing grants to scholarship-granting organizations**

Speaker Arch still has his 25 to choose

EDUCATION COMMITTEE EXECUTIVE SESSION

Bills now on General File. Any of these bills could be used in one of the two committee packages as well (LB 1329 & LB 1331).

 **LB 635 (Albrecht) - Provide requirements regarding access to digital and online resources provided for students by school districts, schools, and the Nebraska Library Commission**


LB 835 (Blood) - Adopt the School Psychologist Interstate Licensure Compact

LB 855 (Conrad) - Prohibit school districts from taking certain actions relating to outstanding debts on a school lunch or breakfast account

 **LB 878 (Holdcroft) - Change provisions regarding certain bond and related elections**

LB 1027 (Clements) - Change provisions relating to schools which elect not to meet accreditation and approval requirements

LB 1029 (Conrad) - Change provisions relating to compulsory school attendance regarding illness

 **LB 1052 (Walz) - Allow a teacher employed at an approved or accredited public, private, denominational, or parochial school to receive reimbursement for school supplies**

LB 1091 (Murman) - Provide requirements and restrictions for school boards relating to professional employees' organizations

LB 1193 (Conrad) - Provide a process for a parent or guardian to request that such person's child repeat a grade under certain circumstances

LB 1201 (Hardin) - Change provisions relating to the Early Childhood Education Grant Program and redefine terms under TEEOSA

LB 1306 (Education Committee) - Eliminate the Professional Practices Commission and provide, change, and eliminate provisions relating to standards for and conduct of teachers and administrators

 **LB 1328 (Murman) - Change provisions relating to the classification of school districts**

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... FOUNDATION

The Nebraska Public Leadership Foundation (NPLF) is awarding two, \$1,000 scholarships to two high school seniors who are pursuing higher education to become a teacher in a Nebraska public school system. Students with plans to attend a college or university in Nebraska, have a minimum GPA of 3.0, and those students whose school district is a member of the Nebraska Association of School Boards qualify to apply for the scholarship. Please click here for the application form.

www.nepublicleadership.org

Applications are due by March 1st

... EDUCATION LEADERSHIP SEARCH

Contact us for a free proposal or with questions on the search process. To view openings or create an applicant profile, visit <https://nasb.myrevelus.com/>

Contact Shari Becker with questions sbecker@NASBonline.org

... DATA ANALYTICS

Since the state funding formula compares your district to those districts with similar numbers of formula student enrollment, it can be helpful to know how you compare with those districts in terms of valuation, levy, cost per pupil, and poverty indicators. NASB can provide you and your patrons with an accurate summary of that information with handy graphs to illustrate the challenges your particular district faces under Nebraska's system of school funding. If you want a clearer picture of how your district fares under the state's funding plan, talk to Jim Luebbe about getting this useful data.

Contact Jim to learn more!

... POLICY

Check the Online Policy article in this month's Board Notes to learn more about the capabilities we're adding for updating your online manuals directly out of your Sparq Meetings agenda. We've talked about this for some time, but it proved to be a massive project along with several other huge undertakings that our Sparq Data Solutions is completing. It's a 21st century solution to efficiently manage the difficult process of keeping your manual in conformance with the latest policy approvals of your Board.

Contact Jim to learn more!

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SURVEY

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REMINDER:

As Negotiated Agreements for 2024-2025 are finalized, please load them into the Contract Settlement Form or send them to Darion.

Darion - dmiller@NASBonline.org

Nicole - nkobus@NASBonline.org

www.sparqdata.com

... GALLUP STRENGTHS

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The first three people who email Shari will receive a free code to take their Gallup Top 5 Assessment!

Don't Miss Out ... contact Shari at sbecker@NASBonline.org

... ALICAP & INSURANCE

ALICAP has two new members! Welcome, Hay Springs Public Schools and Hayes Center Public Schools! These additions take ALICAP's membership total to 192 schools/ESUs.

Thanks, Megan!

... BOARD LEADERSHIP

Check out "At the Board Table" on page 4.

Marcia, Kari, Katie, Caden, Stacie, Ben & Stephanie

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... MEMBER ENGAGEMENT

Excited to see you all for our upcoming Finance Workshops and the NAEP State Convention! Start thinking Golf and School Leaders and Law too.

Nice spending time in the following districts throughout the last few weeks:

Alliance, Axtell, Banner County, Boyd County, Burwell, Cody-Kilgore, Crawford, Elwood, Eustis-Farnam, Gordon-Rushville, Gothenburg, Hay Springs, Heartland, Kimball, Loup City, McCool Junction, O'Neill, Overton, Scottsbluff, Southern Valley, Stapleton, Superior, Thedford, Umonhon Nation, Valentine, Verdigre, Wallace, Walthill, and Wauneta-Palisade

- Sharon -

... ENERGY PURCHASING

Our natural gas consultants have been watching the markets closely. Larger than normal winter storage volumes, Liquid Natural Gas export bans, warm February temperatures, and some resurgence in U.S. inflation are competing for market effects, so price volatility has been strong. We are working with several new districts to get them added to our NJUMP and CJUMP natural gas consortiums during the spring signup period. Jim Luebbe can provide you with a Resolution for Participation form to add your district to this valuable program.

Contact Jim to learn more!



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Read up on the latest Priority Bills, items of note, and what's ahead at the halfway point on Page 9.

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NAEP State Convention - March 27-28 - Kearney



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March 11, 2024

TO: Board Members

FROM: Dale

SUBJECT: Superintendent's Report for the March Regular Meeting

1) Financial Report

Through February, we have spent 37.13% of the budget (\$4,090,335) compared to 35.70% (\$3,939,990) and 36.42% (\$3,954,530) through February 2023 and 2022 respectively. On the revenue side we have brought in \$4,428,903 through February compared to 2023 (\$4,215,273) and 2022 (\$4,452,224).

We are currently in the requisition process for next school year. That process requires staff to request materials, supplies, etc., and gain approval through their Principal and the District Office. During requisition season, we encourage the staff to first use the cooperative buy capabilities offered through the ESUCC which saves us several thousand dollars annually.

2) Transportation, Buildings and Grounds

We are beginning preparations for our summer efforts related to facility cleaning, maintenance, and various projects. Currently, we will be replacing the middle overhead door on the bus barn in addition to the track refurbish project.

I am working on a School Safety and Security grant through NDE to update our security camera system as well as our door access system. NDE announced the grant opportunity not long ago and there is a very short window of time to apply with a due date of March 14th. We had discussed the possibility of upgrading our security camera system before but decided to wait as we had heard of potential grant opportunities on the horizon from NDE. I will keep you posted.

The school will consider a vehicle from Ainsworth Motors this June if we wish to continue to the annual car program that alternates between dealers in Ainsworth. I would like to consider a mid-size SUV that would be more conducive to transporting

staff to meetings, etc, while providing all wheel drive in adverse weather conditions. We are also getting close to needing to replace one of the school vans. In addition, we need to discuss our options related to the coach-bus lease.

Transportation, Buildings, and Grounds Committee: please stay tuned and we will work to get together and get your input and direction on these items.

3) Board Policy Review

This month we have thirteen policies from the 300's (administration) section. The 300's section is also a shorter section of the Board Policy Manual. These thirteen policies remain up to date and pertinent to current district practice. No changes are needed unless the Board feels otherwise.

Again, the Board Policy Committee has access to each month's set of policies to review. I will continue to be in contact with the policy committee, and we will meet to discuss and recommend changes if needed.

4) Strategic Plan

As part of our strategic plan efforts, we have a Board retreat or work session prior to the April meeting to hear updates on the well-being survey as well as curriculum/data and a general strategic plan update as well.

We are toward the end of our ESSER III ARP allocation, and the Board will hear more in April how we plan to put the remaining funds to work aligned with the strategic plan with 9-12 reading/language arts resources, MTSS tiered intervention resources, technology purchases, etc.

5) Professional Development

Brad and I are registered to attend the NRCSA Spring conference March 13-15. The Budget/Finance workshop in North Platte is March 19th. Please let me know if you are interested in attending and we will get you set up.

Thank you to Brad and Mark for running for the Board in the 2024 election. Your ongoing service is much appreciated. Jake Graff and Crystal Dailey have also filed for the Board. I have reached out to both Jake and Crystal thanking them for their willingness to run/serve and providing them with NASB info for new board candidates.

6) Superintendent Goals

I have made a few updates to the shared superintendent goals document. Please look at your convenience and let me know if you have any questions. We will continue to update periodically as we go along giving us a working document to consider when 2025 rolls around and we renew current goals or set new ones.

7) Personnel

Nick Krause has provided me with a letter of resignation effective August 31, 2024, as he plans to retire at that time. My current plan is to begin advertising later this spring and hire another custodian to start work during the summer. This will allow for a much smoother transition as we shift custodial leadership to current custodians and get a new person trained.

At this point in time, I am not aware of any certified vacancies we will need to fill. If that were to change, I will keep you updated. With that in mind, I am considering convening the Board Personnel and Negotiations Committee to discuss a few possible scenarios. Stay tuned and I will let you know if that is the case.

8) Other

Please let me know if you have any questions or needs. Thanks!

ROLE OF ADMINISTRATION

In this series of the board policy manual, the board defines the role and the employment of school district administrators. Policies in the 400 Series, "Employees," also apply to administrators unless a more specific policy exists in the 300 Series, "Administration."

School district administrators have been given a great opportunity and responsibility to manage the school district, to provide educational leadership, and to implement the educational philosophy of the school district. They are responsible for the day-to-day operations of the school district. In carrying out these operations, the administrators are guided by board policies, the law, the needs of the students, and the wishes of the citizens in the school district community.

It shall be the responsibility of the administrators to implement and enforce the policies of the board, to oversee employees, to monitor educational issues confronting the school district, and to inform the board about school district operations.

While the board holds the superintendent ultimately responsible for these duties, the principals are more directly responsible for educational results, for the administration of the school facilities and for the employees.

The board and the administration shall work together to share information and decisions under the management team concept.

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STRUCTURE OF MANAGEMENT

The board and the administrators shall work together in making decisions and setting goals for the school district. This effort is designed to obtain, share, and use information to solve problems, make decisions, and formulate school district policies and regulations.

It shall be the responsibility of each administrator to fully participate in the management of the school district by investigating, analyzing, and expressing their views on issues. Those board members or administrators with special expertise or knowledge of an issue may be called upon to provide information. Each board member and administrator shall support the decisions reached on the issues confronting the school district.

The board shall be responsible for making the final decision in matters pertaining to the school district.

It shall be the responsibility of the superintendent to develop guidelines for cooperative decision-making.

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MANAGEMENT TEAM

The board considers all those who have a role in the recruitment or release of employees to be part of the management team. The management team shall be headed by the superintendent. The superintendent shall convene meetings to discuss school district policies, administrative procedures and other business brought to the superintendent's attention.

The management team shall meet with the board upon the board's request or superintendent's recommendation to review overall operations of the school district and conditions affecting the management team. The management team shall have no relationship to the formal negotiating unit. In the event a member or members of the management team are unable to resolve a problem, a committee of one board member, one management team member, and the superintendent shall investigate the circumstances and make a recommendation. If the recommendation does not settle the matter, the board and the management team shall meet to resolve the matter. The board may seek the advice of outside management consultants to assist in resolving the matter.

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SUCCESSION OF AUTHORITY TO THE SUPERINTENDENT

In the absence of the superintendent, it shall be the responsibility of the other administrators to assume the superintendent's duties. The succession of authority to the superintendent shall be in this order:

1. Building Principals
2. _____
3. _____

If the absence of the superintendent is temporary, the successor shall assume only those duties and responsibilities of the superintendent that require immediate action. If the board determines the absence of the superintendent will be a lengthy one, the board shall appoint an acting superintendent to assume the responsibilities of the superintendent. The successor shall assume the duties when the successor learns of the superintendent's absence or when assigned by the superintendent or the board.

All references to "superintendent" in this policy manual shall mean the "superintendent or the superintendent's designee" unless otherwise stated in the board policy.

Cross Reference: 302 Superintendent

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COMMUNICATION CHANNELS

Questions and problems shall be resolved at the lowest organizational level nearest to the complaint. School employees shall be responsible for conferring with their immediate supervisor on questions and concerns. Students and other members of the school district community shall confer with a certificated employee and then with the principal on questions and concerns. Policies referenced at the end of this page shall serve as guidelines for additional resolution of conflicts.

It shall first be the responsibility of the administrators to resolve questions and problems raised by the employees and the students they supervise and by other members of the school district community.

Legal Reference: Nebraska Statute 79-254 et seq.

Cross Reference: 204.12 Public Participation in Board Meetings
402.05 Employee Grievances
504.01 Student Due Process Rights
506.06 Student Publications
1005.01 Public Complaints

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SUPERINTENDENT QUALIFICATIONS, RECRUITMENT, APPOINTMENT

The board shall employ a superintendent to serve as the chief executive officer of the board, to conduct the daily operations of the school district, and to implement board policy with the power and duties prescribed by the board and the law.

The board shall consider applicants that meet or exceed the standards set by the Nebraska Department of Education and the qualifications established in the job description for the superintendent position. In employing a superintendent, the board shall consider the qualifications, credentials and records of the applicants without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, or disability. The board will look closely at the training, experience, skill and demonstrated competence of qualified applicants in making its final decision.

In choosing a superintendent, the board shall also consider the school district's educational philosophy, financial situation, organizational structure, education programs, and other factors deemed relevant by the board.

The board may contract for assistance in the search for a superintendent.

Legal Reference: 29 U.S.C. §§ 621-634 (1994).
42 U.S.C. §§ 2000e et seq. (1994).

Cross Reference: 201.01 Board Powers and Responsibilities
301 Administrative Structure

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SUPERINTENDENT CONTRACT AND CONTRACT NONRENEWAL

It shall be the responsibility of the board to provide the contract for the position of superintendent. The length of the contract for employment between the superintendent and the board shall be determined by the board, but shall not exceed three years. The contract will begin on July 1 and end on June 30. The contract shall state the terms of employment.

Before the board approves a proposed contract for superintendent services, or any proposed amendment to an existing contract, the board shall publish a copy of the contract or amendment, and a reasonable estimate and description of all current and future costs to the district if the proposed contract or amendment were to be approved, at least three days before the board meeting at which it will be considered. This publication shall also specify the date, time, and place of this public meeting. Electronic publication on the web site of the district shall satisfy this publication requirement if it is prominently displayed and allows public access to the entire proposed contract or amendment. The board is not required to publish the contract of a newly hired superintendent prior to board approval of the contract.

After the board approves the contract or contract amendments the board shall publish a copy of the contract, and a reasonable estimate and description of all current and future costs to the district that will be incurred as a result of the contract, within two days after the board meeting at which it was approved. Electronic publication on the web site must be prominently displayed as described above.

After approval of the contract or contract amendments, the board shall file a copy of the contract or amendments with the State Department of Education on or before August 1.

The superintendent serves the board as a probationary certificated employee, regardless of length of service. The superintendent's contract shall be deemed renewed and will remain in full force unless it is amended or not renewed. The superintendent and board may mutually agree to terminate the superintendent's contract at any time.

If a Board representative does not inform the Superintendent in writing on or before the seventh day after the regular December board meeting of the Board's intention to consider the nonrenewal or amendment of this contract, the contract will automatically renew for a period of one year from and after the expiration date provided in Section 1 of this contract. The Superintendent shall remind the Board in writing of this provision no later than its regular November meeting of each year of this contract and shall make the renewal of his employment contract an agenda item for the regular December board meeting during each year of this contract. At the time of each contract renewal and/or amendment, the Superintendent shall be responsible for taking all necessary steps to insure that the district has complied with the Superintendent Pay Transparency Act.

If the superintendent wishes to resign, to be released from a contract, or to retire, the superintendent must comply with board policies dealing with retirement, release or resignation.

Legal Reference: Neb. Statute 79-822 et seq.

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SUPERINTENDENT SALARY AND OTHER COMPENSATION

The board has complete discretion to set the salary of the superintendent. It shall be the responsibility of the board to set the salary and benefits of the superintendent at a level that will include consideration of, but not be limited to, the economic condition of the school district and the training, experience, skill, and demonstrated competence of the superintendent. The salary shall be set at the beginning of each contract term.

In addition to the salary and benefits, the superintendent's actual and necessary expenses shall be paid by the school district when the superintendent is performing work-related duties. It shall be within the discretion of the board to pay dues to professional organizations for the superintendent. The information and professional relationships offered by these organizations are an important component in assisting the superintendent with the successful completion of his or her duties.

The board may approve the payment of dues and other benefits or compensation over and above the superintendent's contract. Approval of dues and other benefits or compensation shall be included in the records of the board in accordance with board policy.

Cross Reference: 302 Superintendent

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SUPERINTENDENT DUTIES

The board employs a superintendent of schools to serve as the chief executive officer of the board. The board delegates to the superintendent the authority to implement board policy and to execute decisions made by the board concerning the internal operations of the school district, unless specifically stated otherwise.

The superintendent shall be responsible for the implementation and execution of board policy and the observance of board policy by employees and students. The superintendent shall be responsible for overall supervision and discipline of employees and the education program.

In executing the above-stated duties, the superintendent shall consider the financial situation of the school district as well as the needs of the students. Specifically the superintendent:

- Interprets and implements all board policies and all state and federal laws relevant to education;
- Supervises, either directly or through delegation, all activities of the school system according to, and consistent with, the policies of the board;
- Represents the board as a liaison between the school district and the community;
- Establishes and maintains a program of public relations to keep the public well-informed of the activities and needs of the school district, effecting a wholesome and cooperative working relationship between the school district and the community;
- Attends and participates in all meetings of the board, except when the superintendent's employment or salary is under consideration when the superintendent has been excused, and makes recommendations affecting the school district;
- Reports to the board on such matters as deemed material to the understanding and proper management of the school district or as the board may request;
- Assumes responsibility for the overall financial planning of the district and for the preparation of the annual budget, and submits it to the board for review and approval;
- Establishes and maintains efficient procedures and effective controls for all expenditures of school district funds in accordance with the adopted budget, subject to the direction and approval of the board;
- Files, or causes to be filed, all reports required by law;
- Makes recommendations to the board for the selection of employees for the school district;
- Makes and records assignments and transfers of all employees pursuant to their qualifications;
- Employs such employees as may be necessary, within the limits of budgetary provisions and subject to the board's approval;
- Recommends to the board, for final action, the promotion, salary change, demotion, or dismissal of any employee;

- Prescribes rules for the classification and advancement of students, and for the transfer of students from one building to another in accordance with board policies;
- Summons employees of the school district to attend such regular and occasional meetings as are necessary to carry out the education program of the school district;
- Supervises methods of teaching, supervision, and administration in effect in the schools;
- Attends such conventions and conferences as are necessary to keep informed of the latest educational trends;
- Accepts responsibility for the general efficiency of the school system, for the development of the employees, and for the educational growth and welfare of the students;
- Defines educational needs and formulates policies and plans for recommendation to the board;
- Makes administrative decisions necessary for the proper functioning of the school district;
- Responsible for scheduling the use of buildings and grounds by all groups and/or organizations;
- Acts as the purchasing agent for the board, and establishes procedures for the purchase of books, materials and supplies;
- Approves vacation schedules for employees;
- Conducts periodic district administration meetings;
- Supervises the establishment or modification of the boundaries of school attendance and transportation areas subject to approval of the board;
- Directs studies of buildings and sites, taking into consideration population trends and the educational and cultural needs of the district in order to ensure timely decisions by the board and the electorate regarding construction and renovation projects; and,
- Performs other duties as may be assigned by the board.

This list of duties shall not act to limit the board's authority and responsibility over the superintendent. The superintendent will also be held to the duties and description as written in AR-21 10.

Cross Reference: 205 School Board Policy Process
 301 Administrative Structure

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SUPERINTENDENT EVALUATION

The board will conduct an ongoing evaluation of the superintendent's skills, abilities, and competence. At a minimum, the board will formally evaluate the superintendent twice in the first year and annually thereafter. The goal of the superintendent's formal evaluation is to ensure the education program for the students is carried out, promote growth in effective administrative leadership, clarify the superintendent's role, clarify the immediate priorities of the board, and develop a working relationship between the board and the superintendent.

The formal evaluation will be based upon the following principles:

1. The evaluation criteria shall be in writing, clearly stated and mutually agreed upon by the board and the superintendent. The criteria will be related to the job description and the school district's goals;
2. At a minimum, the evaluation process will be conducted annually at a time agreed upon;
3. Each board member shall have an opportunity to individually evaluate the superintendent, and these individual evaluations will be compiled into an overall evaluation by the entire board;
4. The board as a whole shall discuss its evaluation with the superintendent in open or closed session as appropriate; and
5. The board will complete the evaluation process by reaching consensus on goals or priorities for the superintendent for the next period of evaluation.

Any thorough evaluation of the Superintendent will likely have both positive and negative comments interspersed throughout the discussion. If the board enters into closed session it must clearly be to prevent needless harm to the reputation of an individual or for the protection of the public interest. Policy 204.06 Closed Session should be followed in all respects when going into or coming out of closed session.

The board president will develop a written summary of the individual evaluations, including both the strengths and the weaknesses of the superintendent, and place it in the superintendent's personnel file to be incorporated into the next cycle of evaluations.

This policy supports and does not preclude the ongoing, informal evaluation of the superintendent's skills, abilities and competence.

Legal Reference: Neb. Statute 79-828

Cross Reference: 202.03 Board Self-Evaluation
204.06 Closed Sessions

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SUPERINTENDENT PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

The board encourages the superintendent to continue professional growth by being involved in professional organizations, attending conferences, continuing education, and participating in other professional activities.

It shall be the responsibility of the superintendent to arrange the superintendent's schedule in order to enable attendance at various conferences and events. If a conference or event requires the superintendent to be absent from the office for more than three days, requires overnight travel, or involves unusual expense, the superintendent shall bring it to the attention of the board president prior to attending the event.

The superintendent shall report to the board after an event.

Cross Reference: 303.07 Administrator Professional Development
 402.08 Employee Travel Compensation

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SUPERINTENDENT CIVIC ACTIVITIES

The board encourages the superintendent to be involved in the school district community by belonging to school district community organizations and attending and participating in school district community activities.

It shall be the responsibility of the superintendent to become involved in school district community activities and events. The board may include a lump sum amount as part of the superintendent's compensation to be used specifically for paying the annual fees of the superintendent for school district community activities and events if, in the board's judgment, the superintendent's participation will further the public purpose of promoting and deriving support for the school district and public education in general.

Cross Reference: 302.03 Superintendent Salary and Other Compensation
 303.08 Administrator Civic Activities

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SUPERINTENDENT CONSULTING/OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT

The superintendent's position is considered full-time employment. The board expects the superintendent to give the responsibilities of the position precedence over other employment. The superintendent may accept consulting or outside employment for pay as long as, in the judgment of the board, the work is conducted on the superintendent's personal time and it does not interfere with the performance of the superintendent's duties.

The board reserves the right, however, to request that the superintendent cease the outside employment as a condition of continued employment. The board shall give the superintendent thirty days notice to cease outside employment.

Nothing in this policy shall contradict the language of the superintendent contract in force.

Cross Reference: 302.02 Superintendent Contract and Contract Nonrenewal
 302.04 Superintendent Duties

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Quote



Entered Date	Quoted By	Customer #	Quote #
2/28/24	EC01	1182702	10004354-00
Quote Reference		Quote Expected Date	Page #
RFQ-Furniture		2/28/24	1

Bill To	Ship To
Ainsworth Community Schools 520 E 2ND ST PO BOX 65 AINSWORTH, NE 69210-1439	Ainsworth Community Schools 520 E 2ND ST AINSWORTH, NE 69210-1439

Ship Method	Terms	Sales Rep
FEDEX GROUND	NET 30 DAYS	HOUSE ACCOUNT

Line	Product and Description	UPC Item	Quoted Quantity	Qty UM	Unit Price	Amount(Net)
1	MIT-3501 MITCHELL CAFETERIA FURNITURE PGC 350 - Series: GP Gemini PorTable w/ Black Powder Coated Legs - Description: 12'-1" L Mobile Rectangular Cafeteria Table w/ Twin Bench Seating (8) - Table Top: Standard Laminate colors Wilsonart, Pionite or Formica - Bench Top: Standard Laminate colors Wilsonart, Pionite or Formica - Edge color: Black - Undercarriage color: Black Epoxy Powder Coat ** Direct Order **	00000	12.00	EA	1,845.22	22,142.64
1	Lines Total				Subtotal	22,142.64
					Freight Out	1,605.00
					Taxes	0.00
					Total	23,747.64

Notes

PRICING WILL REMAIN VALID FOR 30 DAYS.

Shipping charges stated below are estimates; order is subject to actual shipping charges as assessed by the carrier, at the time of shipping. Prices and transit times are subject to change. If you have any questions or would like to place an order, please contact me.

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**2024-2025
EDUCATIONAL SERVICE UNIT NO. 17
CONTRACT FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES**

THIS AGREEMENT made and entered into this 1st day of March 2024 by and between EDUCATIONAL SERVICE UNIT NO. 17 of the State of Nebraska hereinafter called “Servicing Agency,” and Ainsworth Community School, called “DISTRICT.”

WITNESSETH:

The District does hereby agree to hire Servicing Agency to service its school age and pre-school children with disabilities during the school year 2024-2025, and Educational Service Unit #17 agrees to act as such Servicing Agency, for the consideration and under the terms and conditions as hereinafter set forth:

1. It is agreed that the District shall pay the Servicing Agency for said special education or related services in accordance with the rate schedule below by reference made a part thereof. Contracted rates will be based on a state-approved rate and districts will be billed for the prorated portion of the specialist’s time assigned to the individual district. The rate includes the cost of mileage incurred in the delivery of the service to the school. This schedule shall be in full force and effect during the school year of 2024-2025 commencing not earlier than July 1, 2024 and ending not later than June 30, 2025. The amount of this contract is:

LEVEL I SERVICES

		(Estimated Totals)
A.	Speech Therapy	\$ 216,839.00
B.	Resource Teacher	\$ 0.00
C.	Program Supervision	\$ 51,520.00
D.	School Psych	\$ 228,915.00
E.	In-Service	\$ 993.00
F.	Transition	\$ 0.00
G.	Nurse	\$ 54,684.00
H.	Early Childhood	\$ 90,393.00
I.	Occupational Therapy	\$ 42,484.00
J.	Consultant	\$ 9,662.00
CONTRACT TOTAL		\$ 695,490.00

2. The district agrees that the amount payable for Special Education services the first month of the school year will be 10% of the contract total with such payments beginning on or before September 15, 2024. The total amount of all billing is required to be paid by the District to the Servicing Agency within thirty days from billing date.

3. Special education programs or services which extend beyond the regular school year will be provided by the Servicing Agency upon request by the district. Said cost of such extended programs are not included in cost schedule identified in item one of this contract.

4. It is further agreed that in the event the District does not pay the Servicing Agency as herein set forth, the Servicing Agency may cancel this contract and refuse further service. In the event of such

cancellation, the Servicing Agency may recover any past due amounts.

5. The Servicing Agency shall assist the District with the preparation of a plan and budget, financial reports, S.E.S.I.S., M.I.P.S., S.R.S., I.E.P. process and other procedures required by 92 NAC 51.

6. The District and the Servicing Agency agree to abide by the mandated procedures for identification, verification, placement, development of the individualized program, inspection and review of student records, and other requirements as specified in 92 NAC 51, Regulations and Standards for Special Education as set forth by the Nebraska State Department of Education.

7. Should the Servicing Agency be unable to render the services contracted because of the Servicing Agency’s inability to employ personnel who meet the criteria for employment of the Servicing Agency and/or the certification requirements of the State of Nebraska, or for other reasons which are determined by the Servicing Agency to be valid, the Servicing Agency will not assume liability for those services contracted for but not provided.

8. The District herewith agrees that any act intentionally and unilaterally done which act may cause litigation against the Servicing Agency shall be defended at the sole expense of the District and any damages assessed against the district for the Servicing Agency or either of them shall be borne entirely by the school district. This paragraph shall not operate to indemnify or relieve the Servicing Agency of any duty to the district in the provision of special education services or related services which is undertaken in consultation with the Servicing Agency or in a good faith effort by the District to comply with lawful obligations of the district.

9. This contract must be signed and returned to the Servicing Agency by May 31, 2024. Failure to return the contract by the specified date would result in a null and void contract by all parties.

School District #: 10
County: Brown

ATTEST:

BY:

School District Secretary

School District President

Date Contract Signed

Date Contract Signed

ATTEST:

BY:

E.S.U. Secretary

E.S.U. Board President

Date Contract Signed

Date Contract Signed

2024-2025
EDUCATIONAL SERVICE UNIT #17
CONTRACT FOR SERVICES

This agreement entered into this 1st day of March, 2024 between Educational Service Unit #17 of the State of Nebraska hereinafter called “Servicing Agency” and Ainsworth Community School called “District.”

Witnesseth:

The District does hereby agree to hire the Servicing Agency to provide health services to the District as described under the terms and conditions as hereinafter set forth:

1. The Servicing Agency will provide health service through a registered nurse at the equivalent of 1.0 F.T.E. Nursing services will be billed to the District at the rate of .40 F.T.E. for regular education services.
2. The designated services will meet Nebraska Department of Education regulations. The District and Servicing Agency agree to abide by the mandated procedures set forth in statute by the State of Nebraska and enforceable through the Nebraska Department of Education.
3. It is agreed that the District will pay the Servicing Agency for services listed above at the rate of \$30,000 for health services to regular education students beginning when school commences with the first teacher day and when it ends with the last teacher contract day. Health services for special education services have been included on the special education contract to the District, which is a separate contract and billing.
4. The Servicing Agency will bill the District for the above stated amount on a quarterly basis.
5. The District hereby agrees that change or modification in this agreement be mutually agreed upon and set forth in writing before said change or modification is implemented.
6. Should the Servicing Agency be unable to render the services contracted because of inability to employ personnel who meet the criteria or certification for the position, or for other reasons determined by the Servicing Agency to be valid, the Servicing Agency will not assume liability for those services not provided.
7. The District herewith agrees that any act intentionally and unilaterally done which act may cause litigation against the Servicing Agency shall be defended at the sole expense of the District and any damages assessed against the District for the Servicing Agency or either of them shall be borne entirely by the District. This paragraph shall not operate to indemnify or relieve the Servicing Agency of any duty to the District in the provision of services which is undertaken in consultation with the Servicing Agency or in good faith effort by the District to comply with lawful obligations of the District.

School District: Ainsworth Community School

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