

Wauneta-Palisade Board of Education Regular Meeting

Central Office, Wauneta Attendance Center
PO Box 368
Wauneta, NE 69045

Monday, May 10, 2021 6:00 PM

Hondo Fanning: Present

John Jutten: Present

Laurie Maris: Present

Aaron McKinney: Present

Allison Sandman: Present

Marty Wheeler: Present

I. Call to Order

I.1. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

I.2. Posting Verification

I.3. Opens Meeting Act

I.4. Mission Statement

II. Roll Call

McKinney and Maris verified.

III. Amendments to the Agenda/Approval of the Proposed Agenda

III.1. Add Agenda Item to Action Items: Approve Trailer Purchase

To amend the agenda to included trailer purchase Passed with a motion by John Jutten and a second by Hondo Fanning.

Hondo Fanning: Yea, John Jutten: Yea, Laurie Maris: Yea, Aaron McKinney: Yea, Allison Sandman: Yea, Marty Wheeler: Yea

IV. Recognition of Visitors/Public Comments

Larissa Gerhartz addressed the board about state testing and school performance over th

V. Action Items

V.1. Approve and Sign 4/12/2021 Regular Meeting Minutes

To approve and sign the 4/12/2021 regular meeting minutes Passed with a motion by Laurie Maris and a second by Marty Wheeler.

Hondo Fanning: Yea, John Jutten: Yea, Laurie Maris: Yea, Aaron McKinney: Yea, Allison Sandman: Yea, Marty Wheeler: Yea

V.2. Approve the Districts Monthly Expenditures and Budget Reports for Month Ending 4/30/2021

To approve the monthly expenditures of payroll of \$270173.84, accounts payable of \$126302.03 for a total of \$396475.87 and approve the monthly budget reports as presented Passed with a motion by John Jutten and a second by Aaron McKinney.

Hondo Fanning: Yea, John Jutten: Yea, Laurie Maris: Yea, Aaron McKinney: Yea, Allison Sandman: Yea, Marty Wheeler: Yea

V.3. Accept Teacher Resignations

To approve resignations from Aaron and Sara Behrends and Teresa Hayes effective end of 2020-2021 school year and thank them for their years of service to the district Passed with a motion by Laurie Maris and a second by Hondo Fanning.

Hondo Fanning: Yea, John Jutten: Yea, Laurie Maris: Yea, Aaron McKinney: Yea, Allison Sandman: Yea, Marty Wheeler: Yea

V.4. Approve 2021-2022 Teacher Contracts

To approve 2021-2022 contract for Colby Cox Passed with a motion by Laurie Maris and a second by Marty Wheeler.

Hondo Fanning: Yea, John Jutten: Yea, Laurie Maris: Yea, Aaron McKinney: Yea, Allison Sandman: Yea, Marty Wheeler: Yea

V.5. Approve Board Position Against NDE Proposed Health Standards

To approve board opposition to the proposed NDE Health Standards and to send letters to NDE and Nebraska State Board of Education representative Passed with a motion by John Jutten and a second by Aaron McKinney.

Hondo Fanning: Yea, John Jutten: Yea, Laurie Maris: Yea, Aaron McKinney: Yea, Allison Sandman: Yea, Marty Wheeler: Yea

To formally approve board opposition of the proposed NDE health standards and will write letters to NDE and Nebraska State Board of Education representative

V.6. Approve/Amend Last Day of School Change to Calendar

To amend 2020-2021 school calendar to change last day of school to 5/14/2021 Passed with a motion by John Jutten and a second by Marty Wheeler.

Hondo Fanning: Yea, John Jutten: Yea, Laurie Maris: Yea, Aaron McKinney: Yea, Allison Sandman: Yea, Marty Wheeler: Yea

V.7. Approve 2021-2022 School Calendar

To approve the proposed 2021-2022 school calendar Passed with a motion by John Jutten and a second by Laurie Maris.

Hondo Fanning: Yea, John Jutten: Yea, Laurie Maris: Yea, Aaron McKinney: Yea, Allison Sandman: Yea, Marty Wheeler: Yea

McKinney asked why we don't offer a spring PT conference. Geier shared the reasoning behind no spring PT conference.

V.8. Approval of Disposal of Surplus Items for Public Bid

To approve disposal of surplus items (bus, suburban, car) for sealed bid or disposal Passed with a motion by John Jutten and a second by Marty Wheeler.

Hondo Fanning: Yea, John Jutten: Yea, Laurie Maris: Yea, Aaron McKinney: Yea, Allison Sandman: Yea, Marty Wheeler: Yea

V.9. Approve Trailer Purchase

To approve the purchase of a trailer from Chuck's Trailer Sales for \$8895 Passed with a motion by Laurie Maris and a second by Aaron McKinney.

Hondo Fanning: Yea, John Jutten: Yea, Laurie Maris: Yea, Aaron McKinney: Yea, Allison Sandman: Yea, Marty Wheeler: Yea

VI. Policy Review

VI.1. Review Board Policy about Meeting Notifications

VII. Administrative Reports

VII.1. Superintendent Report

VII.2. Principal Reports

VII.3. ESU 15 Report

VII.4. NASB Report

VIII. Executive Session

VIII.1. Enter Into Executive Session

VIII.2. Return to Open Session

IX. Next Regular Meeting

X. Adjourn

Wauneta-Palisade Schools Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes

The Board of Education for the District of Chase County School District #15-0536 a/k/a Wauneta-Palisade Public Schools was convened in open, public session for a Regular Meeting at 7:01 pm ct. on April 12, 2021, in the Palisade Attendance Center, Palisade, Nebraska, PO Box 368, Wauneta, NE 69045, by President Sandman.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication and/or posting in accordance with the Board approved method for giving notice of meetings. Notice of this meeting was given in advance to all members of the Board of Education. The Secretary of the Board maintains a list of the news media requesting notification of t meetings and advance notification to the listed media of the time and place of the meeting and the subjects to be discussed at this meeting was provided. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the publicized notice and a current copy of the Agenda was maintained as stated in the publicized notice. All proceedings of the Board of Education, except as may be hereinafter noted, were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Announcement of Open Meetings Act Posting

At the beginning of the meeting, President Sandman announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meeting Act is permanently posted in the meeting room on a laminated poster, accessible to members of the public.

Mission Statement

Inspiring our Youth, Expecting Results Everyday

I. Call to Order. Call the meeting 7:01 pm CT.

I.1. Pledge of Allegiance. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

I.2. Open Meetings Act

I.3. Mission Statement

I.4. Posting Verification. Posting verification by Maris and Jutten.

II. Roll Call. Present: Maris, Jutten, Fanning, McKinney, Sandman, Wheeler

III. Amendments to the Agenda/Approval of the Proposed Agenda. None

IV. Recognition of Visitors/Public Comments. President Sandman reminded the public that the board is not required by law to respond to any public comment, but may take comments under advisement.

Larissa Gerhartz addressed the board and asked about the CARES act and the funds appropriation. And she and Shane may approach the board at a later time about the live streaming. Stephanie Malcom expressed concern to the board about Shelby Brennan and Shane Gerhartz recent dismissals. Brock Malcom expressed his concern that students should be able to

do more and the teachers as well. All stakeholders need to grow and promote growth. Malcom asked that the meetings be sent via all call or text message.

V. Action Items

V.1. Approve and Sign Minutes of March 8, 2021 Meeting

Approve and sign the 3/8/2021 regular meeting minutes passed with a motion by Laurie Maris and a second by Aaron McKinney.

Hondo Fanning: Yea, John Jutten: Yea, Laurie Maris: Yea, Aaron McKinney: Yea, Allison Sandman: Yea, Marty Wheeler: Yea

V.2. Approve Expenditure and Monthly Budget Reports for month ending 3/31/2021

Approve the March Payroll of \$271,753.32, March expenditures of \$82,183.91 for a total of \$353,892.23 and approve the monthly budget reports passed with a motion by Laurie Maris and a second by Marty Wheeler.

Hondo Fanning: Yea, John Jutten: Yea, Laurie Maris: Yea, Aaron McKinney: Yea, Allison Sandman: Yea, Marty Wheeler: Yea

V.3. Approve Mower Purchase

To purchase a Grasshopper mower from K & K in Paxton for \$11060 with trade-in of current lawn mower passed with a motion by Marty Wheeler and a second by Aaron McKinney.

Hondo Fanning: Yea, John Jutten: Yea, Laurie Maris: Yea, Aaron McKinney: Yea, Allison Sandman: Yea, Marty Wheeler: Yea

V.4. Approve Teacher Resignations

To approve resignations from Kristy Vapenik and Sherri Schoenholtz effective the end of 2020-2021 school year and thank them for their loyalty and years of service to the district passed with a motion by John Jutten and a second by Hondo Fanning.

Hondo Fanning: Yea, John Jutten: Yea, Laurie Maris: Yea, Aaron McKinney: Yea, Allison Sandman: Yea, Marty Wheeler: Yea

V.5. Approve 2021-2022 Teacher Contracts

To approve 2021-2022 teacher contracts for Kayla Crosgrove and Katie Acton passed with a motion by Laurie Maris and a second by John Jutten.

Hondo Fanning: Yea, John Jutten: Yea, Laurie Maris: Yea, Aaron McKinney: Yea, Allison Sandman: Yea, Marty Wheeler: Yea

V.6. Approve Vehicle Purchases

To approve a used 2010 pickup purchase from Harchelroad Motors for \$15,990 and a new 2021 suburban purchase of \$49,770 from Harchelroad Motors passed with a motion by John Jutten and a second by Marty Wheeler.

Hondo Fanning: Yea, John Jutten: Yea, Laurie Maris: Yea, Aaron McKinney: Yea, Allison Sandman: Yea, Marty Wheeler: Yea

VI. Policy Review. Sandman discussed the new revisions to health education instruction proposed by NDE that is not adopted yet by state board of education. She reminded the board that they have final approval of adoption for our district.

VII. Administrative Reports

VII.1. Superintendent Report

Geier updated the board about the CARES act funds he has been in contact with the lawyers on the purpose for the grant funds. We have received \$169,169. Possible uses of the grant money: Tech, curriculum, air quality control, possibility of making up for funds spent in 2020. Title Grant \$74000 will be completed this week. Last year we received \$57000 title grant.

VII.2. Principal Report

NSCAS testing is underway and science will be a new pilot test. Gaston shared that he administered the NSCAS science test. Gaston reported that all JH track kids were excited for their first track meet. New activity bus might be here the end of next week. Frecks shared the winter NSAA Academic All-State winners GBB-Haylee Sandman & Zoey Boos; BBB-Garrett Hanna; Speech-Olivia Behrends, and Sonya Behrends. He also shared upcoming events for the spring.

VII.3. ESU 15 Report. Sandman shared ESU 15 agenda. The meeting will be held on April 13.

VII.4. NASB Report

New Board member workshop Wednesday in Kearney. Geier and Fanning plan to attend.

IX. Next Regular Meeting

Monday, May 10, 2021 at 6:00 pm MT/7:00 pm CT in Wauneta.

X. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm CT.

Respectfully submitted,
Marj Rundback
Recording Secretary

Dated this April 12, 2021
Chase County School District #536
a/k/a Wauneta-Palisade Public Schools

By: _____ Attest: _____
Board Secretary Board President

FAQ for you and your School Board on the Proposed Health Standards

April 2021

Q: What are "Content Area Standards"?

- A: Content area standards reflect the knowledge and skills students are expected to learn in a given content area. Because these standards create a framework for teaching and learning, they articulate a trajectory for knowledge acquisition across all grade levels so student learning builds on prior knowledge, becoming more in-depth over time. By setting clear benchmarks for learning, content area standards provide guidance to teachers as they develop learning experiences. Currently, Rule 10 (004.01A & 004.01C) requires school districts to have written guides, frameworks, or standards for all content areas in elementary, middle, and high school instructional programs.

Q: What are the proposed health standards and how can I see them?

- A: The proposed standards are posted on the Health Education Standards Development Webpage: <https://www.education.ne.gov/healthed/health-education-standards-development/>
 - The direct link to the standards is located here: <https://cdn.education.ne.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/Nebraska-Health-Education-Standards-DRAFT-1-Public-Input-with-colors.pdf>

Q: Because the draft standards being discussed are health standards, it is up to local school boards to adopt or not?

- A: Yes, local school boards will determine if they adopt the Nebraska Health Education Standards.
 - More specifically, schools in Nebraska are required to include health education within their instructional programs for elementary, middle, and high schools. The instructional programs are to have written guides, frameworks, or standards. Unlike reading, writing, mathematics, science, and social studies, public school districts and accredited nonpublic school systems are not required by law to adopt the state Nebraska Health Education Standards but are required to have standards in place for health education. The decision to utilize the Nebraska Health Education Standards, in whole or part, is determined by each local school district or school system.

Q: Who wrote these proposed standards?

- A: Historically, the NDE has used Nebraska educators to write and/or revise content area standards. For Health Education, applications were made available to Physical Education, Health Education, and Family and Consumer Science teachers and administrators. The writing team was selected from the submitted applications. The Nebraska educators participating in the writing team is posted here: <https://cdn.education.ne.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/Nebraska-Health-Education-Standards-Draft-1-Information.pdf>

Q: What is the role of the State Board of Education in this process?

- A: Nebraska Revised Statute 79-760.01 requires the Nebraska State Board of Education to “adopt measurable academic content standards for at least the grade levels required for statewide assessment.” Those standards shall cover the subject areas of reading, writing, mathematics, science, and social studies, and the State Board of Education shall develop a plan to review and update standards for those subject areas every seven years.

- In addition to the content area standards required by statute, the Nebraska Department of Education has developed content area standards for fine arts, physical education, health education, and world languages, as well as course-based standards for Career and Technical Education. Although not required by law, these content area standards provide a framework for quality teaching and learning for all content areas.
- An overview of the process to develop and/or revise content area standards is included in the [NDE's Content Area Standards Reference Guide](#).

Q: What is the process/timeline for standard adoption?

- A: The State Board will continue to weigh public input. They took input at their April meeting and may continue to get input in subsequent months. The Board will take final action on the draft standards likely in the Fall of 2021.

Q: How can the public weigh in on the proposed standards?

- A: Comments/input on the Nebraska Health Education standards can be provided via:
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Nebraska Department of Education
P.O. Box 94987
Lincoln, NE 68509-4987
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Internal Board Policies - Methods of OperationDesignated Method of Giving Notice of Meetings

The designated methods of giving advance notice of meetings of the Board of Education of the Wauneta-Palisade School District shall be by publication or by posting. If notice is given by posting, such notice shall be given by posting notice in at least three (3) public places throughout the school district. The school house door, the post office, and a local bank/financial institution, are designated posting places, though other or different places at which the public may reasonably be notified are also designated as permissible places.

Notice shall be given a reasonable time in advance of the meeting. Two (2) days advance notice shall be considered sufficient.

For an emergency meeting, notice shall not be required to be given; however, the Board will complete minutes for such an emergency meeting as required by law.

The Secretary of the Board of Education, or the Secretary's designee, shall maintain a list of the news media requesting notification of meetings and shall make reasonable efforts to provide advance notification to such news media of the time and place of each meeting and the subjects to be discussed at the meeting.

Legal Reference: Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 79-554; 79-555 and 84-1411

Date of Adoption: February 12, 2007

Revised: June 12, 2012

Principal Report

School Board Meeting 5-10-21

- Lot's of events in our buildings in the spring!
 - Kindergarten Roundup- looking 18-20 Kindergartners
 - PK Open house tomorrow night
 - Looks like right around 10 in each class
 - Kindergarten Mother's Day tea
 - 4-5 grade recital and AR/classroom awards on Thursday afternoon in Palisade

- 6-12 Concert was awesome!
- JH Track meet went great - had 2 records broken
 - Lots of compliments on the facilities

- Academic Awards and 8th grade promotion and NHS induction Thursday
- Last day of school Friday
 - Field Day

- HS district track on Wednesday - it's been a great year so far

"Where there is a void in communication, negativity will fill it."

- Jon Gordon

My vision- Be a great leader, communicator and example for the students and staff. Put my heart into this school, and have a positive influence on everyone around me. Be intentional about helping to make this school better in every aspect each and every day, and to give all students the opportunities necessary to grow into respectful and productive men and women.