

Board of Education Regular Meeting

Monday, December 13, 2021 8:00 PM

Public School Library

506 W. 9th Street

Dorchester, NE 68343-0007

Notice of the time and place of the Dorchester Board of Education meeting was published in a newspaper of general circulation within the district. Newspapers of general circulation in the district include, but are not necessarily limited to, the Crete News, the Lincoln Journal Star, or the Omaha World-Herald. Notice is also posted in at least three prominent places within the school district which may include the following: Dorchester Public Schools, Farmers Coop, First State Bank, and the Village Office. Individual board members received in advance the meeting agenda and meeting materials. Pursuant to Section 84-1412 of the Nebraska Statutes, the public is hereby informed that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted in the Board meeting boardroom.

Matthew Hansen: Present

Mike Hatfield: Present

Shelly Lehr: Present

Carol Schnell: Present

Kelli Schweitzer: Present

Steve Vyhnalek: Present

1. Call to Order and Announce Open Meetings Act Verification

The December board meeting was called to order by President Steve Vyhnalek at 8:08 pm following the High School Christmas concert with all members present. President Vyhnalek confirmed the advance notice to the public of the meeting and agenda. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. Roll Call

Also present were Superintendent Daryl Schrunk, Principal Jake Wiese and Linda Woolsey.

3. Receive Visitors and Announce Open Forum for Public Comment

Visitor present was Matt Smith.

4. Request for Change of Agenda

No request for change of agenda.

5. Approval of the Minutes of the Last Meeting(s)

Motion to approve the reading of the last meeting minutes Passed with a motion by Shelly Lehr and a second by Kelli Schweitzer.

Matthew Hansen: Yea, Mike Hatfield: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Kelli Schweitzer: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

6. Financial Report

Motion to approve the financial report Passed with a motion by Carol Schnell and a second by Matthew Hansen.

Matthew Hansen: Yea, Mike Hatfield: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Kelli Schweitzer: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

7. Reports

7.1. Principal's Report

Mr. Wiese presented information on the progress of formal observations of teachers this semester. The winter sports seasons have begun. The One-Act play finished sixth out of eight at the district contest. However, they had 9 actors receive outstanding acting awards. Winter MAP testing is currently being done. The activity for the Longhorn Line-Up was focused on 'responsibility' in December. The DPS staff is celebrating 12 days of Holiday Cheer to boost morale as we end the semester. Upcoming events will be Excellence Rallies for Elementary and High School and the Cohort Day at Shickley on January 4th. Classes begin with students on January 5th.

7.2. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Schrunk presented information from the 2021 Legislative Preview he attended on December 8th. This included news on upcoming bills and budget proposals.

7.2.1. > Highlights of the 2021 NASB Conference held in Omaha on November 17-19

> Highlights of the 2021 NCSA Legislative Preview held in Lincoln on December 8

8. Discussion Items

8.1. Review Board of Education Policies #3002, #3004-3010, and #6003.

Mr. Schrunk reviewed policies #3002-Deposits; #3004-Purchasing; #3005-School Activities Fund; #3006-Controlling Receipts; #3007-Review of Bills; #3008-Gifts, Grants, Bequests; #3009-Audit; #3010-Insurance and #6003 - Instructional Program. No changes are necessary at this time.

8.2. Review the Exit Report from our External Visit which was on Wednesday, November 10.

Mr. Schrunk reviewed the Exit Report findings from our External Visit held on November 10th. Next steps will be developing our 5-year plan to address their findings.

8.3. Discuss and review "Safe Return to Learn Plan" including "Continuity of Services" and "Use of Funds".

A discussion was held on the "Safe Return to Learn Plan" for ESSER funding. How Dorchester is using these funds was reviewed. This information is located on the school website. No public comment was received.

8.4. Review NASB State Conference.

Mrs. Schweitzer and Mrs. Lehr reviewed information from sessions they attended at the NASB State Conference held November 17-19 in Omaha. Mr. Schrunk shared insights for the sessions he attended. This included additional information on legislative bills, teacher shortages, TEEOSA budgeting and tax limits, among other topics.

9. Action Items

9.1. Final Reading/Review of Board of Education Policies #2009-Public Participation at Board Meetings, #4063-Extra duty and extended contract payments, #6004-Curriculum Development, #6013-Teaching Controversial Issues, #6020-Multicultural Education, and #4099-Early Retirement Incentive Program (E.R.I.P.).

Motion to approve Board of Education Policies #2009-Public Participation at Board Meetings, #4063-Extra duty and extended contract payments, #6004-Curriculum Development, #6013-Teaching Controversial Issues, #6020-Multicultural Education, and #4099-Early Retirement Incentive Program (E.R.I.P.) Passed with a motion by Kelli Schweitzer and a second by Mike Hatfield.

Matthew Hansen: Yea, Mike Hatfield: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Kelli Schweitzer: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

Mr. Schrunk reviewed the final readings for policies #2009-Public Participation at Board Meetings; #4063-Extra Duty and Extended Contract Payments; #6004-Curriculum Development; #6013-Teaching Controversial Issues; #6020-Multicultural Education; and #4099-Early Retirement Incentive Program (E.R.I.P.).

9.2. Consider Approving the 2020-2021 Audit by Mireau and Co.

Motion to approve the 2020-2021 school audit by Mireau and Co. Passed with a motion by Carol Schnell and a second by Matthew Hansen.

Matthew Hansen: Yea, Mike Hatfield: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Kelli Schweitzer: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

Mr. Schrunk reviewed the findings from the Mireau & Co. audit conducted for the 2020-2021 school year.

9.3. CONSIDER APPROVING MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE SALINE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND DORCHESTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER FOR 2022.

MOTION TO APPROVE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE SALINE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND DORCHESTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER FOR 2022 Passed with a motion by Mike Hatfield and a second by Shelly Lehr.

Matthew Hansen: Yea, Mike Hatfield: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Kelli Schweitzer: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

This is an annual requirement and agreement with the Saline County Sheriff's office and DPS for our School Resource Officer.

9.4. Consider Approving the District's 2022-2023 Negotiated Agreement with the Certificated Staff.

Motion to approve the district's 2022-2023 negotiated agreement with the certificated staff Passed with a motion by Matthew Hansen and a second by Shelly Lehr.

Matthew Hansen: Yea, Mike Hatfield: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Kelli Schweitzer: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

Mr. Schrunk presented the 2022-2023 negotiated agreement and salary schedule, which was completed between the Board negotiations committee and the teachers' group.

9.5. Consider approving the number of early retirement applications that will be accepted for this current school year. {Reference: BOE Policy #4099-Early Retirement Incentive Program or ERIP}

Motion to approve two (2) early retirement applications that will be accepted for this current school year Passed with a motion by Matthew Hansen and a second by Mike Hatfield.

Carol Schnell: Nay, Matthew Hansen: Yea, Mike Hatfield: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Kelli Schweitzer: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

Discussion was held on the requirements for applications within our school.

9.6. Consider approving surfacing of the track area and building a shed on the practice field.

Motion to approve surfacing of the track area and building a shed on the practice field Passed with a motion by Kelli Schweitzer and a second by Matthew Hansen.

Matthew Hansen: Yea, Mike Hatfield: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Kelli Schweitzer: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

Mr. Schrunk presented the bid from Midwest Tennis & Track for the surfacing of the track area. This will be paid through the General Fund. The bid for the shed was received from BZ Construction, which would be paid from the Special Building Fund.

10. Board Committee Report(s)

No committee reports at this time.

11. Closed Session (as necessary per statute)

Closed session was not necessary at this time.

12. Establish Future Board of Education Meeting Date(s) and Time(s)

The next scheduled board meeting is Monday, January 10 at 7:00 p.m.

13. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 10:06 pm Passed with a motion by Carol Schnell and a second by Matthew Hansen.
Matthew Hansen: Yea, Mike Hatfield: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Kelli Schweitzer: Yea,
Steve Vyhnaek: Yea

Carol Schnell?(s) Carol Schnell, Secretary of the Board of Education