

Board of Education Regular Meeting

Monday, January 9, 2023 7:00 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 regular board meeting was called to order by President Steve Vyhnalek at 7:00 pm with all board members present. He confirmed the advance notice to the public of the meeting date and agenda. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

2. Roll Call

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

3. Receive Visitors and Announce Open Forum for Public Comment

Dorchester students present are Emma Paiz Bautista, Jacob Cerny, Jayana Duchek, Harley Hagen, Fernando Perez, Garrett Tachovsky and Senior Class Sponsor, Spencer Kotas. At this time, the students from the Senior Class presented information about a class trip to Grand Lake, Colorado. The trip would be March 7-10 (missing only 2 days of school due to spring break) at a cost of approximately \$2,156 raised through concessions and other fundraisers. Their sponsors would be Spencer Kotas and Audrey Schutte. The class presented their itinerary with activities planned. They requested the board's approval.

4. Request for Change of Agenda

No request for change of agenda.

5. Reorganization of the Board of Education by Nomination and Roll Call or Ballot Vote

Motion to retain officers from last year 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 distributed a list of current officers as President: Steve Vyhnalek, Vice-President: Matt Hansen, Secretary: Carol Schnell and Treasurer: Kelli Schweitzer.

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

Motion to approve the reading of the last meeting minutes 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 minutes from the December meeting.

7. Financial Report

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

Steve Vyhnalek: Abstain (With Conflict), Matthew Hansen: Yea, Mike Hatfield: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Kelli Schweitzer: Yea

Mr. Schrunk presented the December financial report, along with highlights of expenses paid.

8. Reports

8.1. Principal's Report

Mr. Wiese presented plans for staff training on Friday 2:00 dismissals in January. Winter MAP Testing has been completed. A Principal Advisory Meeting was held in December. There were several good discussion items brought from this group of students. A staff gathering was held on December 16th and was well attended. Preschool held a Family Christmas Night on December 19th. The 1st semester ended on December 21st. Teachers and paras attended the Blue River Cohort on January 4th. Upcoming events include many basketball games and wrestling meets. FBLA is sponsoring Donkey Basketball on January 31st.

8.2. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Schrunk reviewed the possibility of a February 27th board retreat. A possible replacement plan was reviewed for carpeting and vehicle replacement. Mr. Rut and Mr. Schrunk are working on replacing the internal internet cables with Erate covering 70% of the cost. Bids for a new crows nest are to be available for the February board meeting.

9. Discussion Items

9.1. Review Policy #6005-Academic Credit

Graduation Requirements:

> Personal Finance - State requirement for 2024 graduates.

> Computer Literacy - State requirement for 2026 graduates. These classes already are in place, curriculum may need updated - pending more information from NDE.

Mr. Wiese presented information on other area schools' requirements for Social Studies and ELA. The recommendation would be to increase ELA to 40 + 5 Speech. At this time, we would not change anything on Social Studies. Mr. Schrunk and Mr. Weise will update Policy #6005-Academic Credit for approval at the February board meeting.

9.2. Review Board of Education Policies #4046-4059.

Mr. Schrunk reviewed policies #4046-Internet Searches Regarding Potential Employees; #4048-Assessment Administration and Security; #4051-Use of Social Media by Staff and District; #4042-Job Reference to Prospective Employers; #4053-Conflict of Interest; #4054-Reporting Child Abuse or Neglect; #4057-Superintendent Evaluation and #4059-Suicide Prevention Training. No changes are necessary at this time.

9.3. Review the District Annual Report

Mr. Schrunk reviewed the District Annual Report. This report will be added to the school website, www.dorchesterschool.org.

10. Action Items

10.1. Appointment of Board Committees for 2023: Public Relations, Committee on American Civics/Curriculum, Building/Grounds, Negotiations, Wellness, Transportation

Motion for the appointment of Board Committees for 2023: Public Relations, Committee on American Civics/Curriculum, Building/Grounds, Negotiations, Wellness, Transportation will be retained as in 2022 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 reviewed current committee assignments.

10.2. Consider Retaining the following as the official designees for 2023: 1) Representative for State and Federal Programs - Superintendent or designee, 2) School Attorneys - KSB Law, 3) Newspaper - Crete News, and 4) Depository of District Funds - First State Bank, Dorchester Branch

Motion to retain the following as the official designees for 2023: 1) Representative for State and Federal Programs - Superintendent or designee, 2) School Attorneys - KSB Law, 3) Newspaper - Crete News, and 4) Depository of District Funds - First State Bank, Dorchester Branch Passed with a motion by Mike Hatfield and a second by Kelli Schweitzer.

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

Mr. Schrunk explained this is an annual formality.

10.3. Consider approving the district's Emergency Operations Plan (EOP).

Motion to approve the district's Emergency Operations Plan (EOP) 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 District's Emergency Operations Plan at Dorchester School. This plan will be submitted to the State.

10.4. Consider approving Senior Trip.

Motion to approve Senior Trip to Grand Lake, CO Passed with a motion by Carol Schnell and a second by Kelli Schweitzer.

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

Since the potential Senior Trip would involve travel outside the state and overnight stays, the board must approve the request.

10.5. Consider Approving the District's 2023-2024 Negotiated Agreement with the Certificated Staff.

Motion to approve the district's 2023-2024 negotiated agreement with the certificated staff Passed with a motion by Shelly Lehr 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 contract changes from 2022-23 to 2023-24. This was negotiated by the board negotiations committee consisting of Mike Hatfield, Carol Schnell and Kelli Schweitzer and certificated staff.

11. Board Committee Report(s)

No reports at this time.

12. Closed Session (as necessary per statute)

Closed session not necessary at this time.

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

The next scheduled board meeting is Monday, February 6 at 7:00 p.m.

Board Retreat = Tentatively scheduled for Monday, February 27, at 7:00 p.m.

14. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 8:41pm Passed with a motion by Matthew Hansen and a second by Carol Schnell.
Matthew Hansen: Yea, Mike Hatfield: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Kelli Schweitzer: Yea,
Steve Vyhalek: Yea

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