

Board of Education Regular Meeting

Monday, June 12, 2023 8:05 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 Vyhnaek: Present

1. Call to Order and Announce Open Meetings Act Verification

The regular board meeting was called to order by President Steve Vyhnaek at 8:15 p.m. with all board members present. President Vyhnaek confirmed the advance notice to the public of the meeting and agenda.

2. Roll Call

School personnel present were Superintendent Daryl Schrunck, Principal Jake Wiese, and Jen Feeken.

3. Receive Visitors and Announce Open Forum for Public Comment

Dr. Curtis Cogswell, 2023-24 incoming Superintendent, was present.

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(s) 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 Vyhnaek: Yea

6. Financial Report

Motion to approve the financial report 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 Vyhnaek: Yea

7. Reports

7.1. Principal's Report

Mr. Wiese reported that the last day of school was busy with Elementary & Secondary Excellence Rallies and a staff recognition lunch. Several staff members attended MTSS Refine and Refocus training at ESU 6 on May 22nd. Heidi Farmer led the elementary end of year reading data retreat on May 23rd. This week there are summer reading and math camps going on. He also said that Mrs. Choyeski has the 7-12 schedule completed for the next school year.

7.2. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Schrunk discussed LB243 - Property Tax Authority. He stated that he would recommend that the school board vote annually by the August board meeting for the 7% tax request authority. This does not mean that the district will use it. The board ultimately approves the budget in September, so the actual increase would be known before approving.

8. Discussion Items

8.1. First Reading of Board of Education Policies #3001-Budget and Property Tax Request, #3003.1-Bidding for Construction, Remodeling, Repair, or Related Projects Financed with Federal Funds, #3004.1-Fiscal Management for Purchasing and Procurement Using Federal Funds, #3033-Lending Textbooks to Children Enrolled in Private Schools, #3036-Purchasing (Credit) Card Program, #3059-Audio and Video Recording, #4003-Drug Policy Regarding Drivers, #4045-Milk Expression, #4059-Behavioral and Mental Health Training, #5003-Admission of Part Time Students, #5004-Option Enrollment, #5035-Student Discipline, #5045-Student Fees, #5049-Firearms and Weapons, #5052-School Wellness, #5062-Lice and Nits, #5064-Supplement, Not Supplant, #6003-Instructional Program, #6004-Curriculum Development, #6025-Student Cell Phone and Other Electronic Devices, and #6038-Artificial Intelligence.

The board went through the first reading of Board of Education Policies #3001-Budget and Property Tax Request, #3003.1-Bidding for Construction, Remodeling, Repair, or Related Projects Financed with Federal Funds, #3004.1-Fiscal Management for Purchasing and Procurement Using Federal Funds, #3033-Lending Textbooks to Children Enrolled in Private Schools, #3036-Purchasing (Credit) Card Program, #3059-Audio and Video Recording, #4003-Drug Policy Regarding Drivers, #4045-Milk Expression, #4059-Behavioral and Mental Health Training, #5003-Admission of Part Time Students, #5004-Option Enrollment, #5035-Student Discipline, #5045-Student Fees, #5049-Firearms and Weapons, #5052-School Wellness, #5062-Lice and Nits, #5064-Supplement, Not Supplant, #6003-Instructional Program, #6004-Curriculum Development, #6025-Student Cell Phone and Other Electronic Devices, and #6038-Artificial Intelligence.

9. Action Items

9.1. Approve Participation in the 2023-2024 School Lunch and Breakfast Programs with Jake Wiese as Determining Official and Curt Cogswell as Hearing Officer.

Motion to approve the District's participation in the 2023-2024 School Lunch and Breakfast Programs with Jake Wiese as Determining Official and Curt Cogswell as Hearing Officer. 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 Vyhnalek: Yea

9.2. Consider Approving Meal Prices for the 2023-2024 School Year.

Motion to keep current meal prices for the 2023-2024 school year. Passed with a motion by Kelli Schweitzer and a second by Shelly Lehr.

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

9.3. Consider approving fence on football field.

Board discussed installing permanent fencing on the south side of the football field, including gates. Motion to approve fence on football field. Passed with a motion by Matthew Hansen and a second by Mike Hatfield.

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

9.4. Consider approving resignation(s).

No resignations to approve.

9.5. Consider approving contract(s).

No contracts to approve.

10. Board Committee Report(s)

10.1. Update from Buildings and Grounds Committee

Mr. Schrunk reported that the cement for the new press box has been poured. Steve Vyhnalek said that the baseball/softball association is discussing putting down new sod on the field, but no action has been taken yet.

10.2. Update from Transportation Committee

The transportation committee is discussing whether to keep the 1996 (old Seward) bus. The concern is, if one of the other buses is being repaired, does the school want to send the new bus out on the route?

11. Closed Session (as necessary per statute)

Not necessary at this time.

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

The next scheduled board meeting is Monday, July 10 at 8:00 PM.

13. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 9:26 .m. Passed with a motion by Carol Schnell and a second by Mike Hatfield.

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

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