

# Board of Education Regular Meeting

Monday, July 8, 2024 8:00 PM

Public School Library

506 W. 9th Street

Dorchester, NE 68343-0007

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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 8:00 pm with all board members present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. President Vyhnalek confirmed the advance notice to the public of the meeting and agenda.

## 2. Roll Call

School personnel present were Superintendent Curtis Cogswell and Jen Feeken

## 3. Receive Visitors and Announce Open Forum for Public Comment

No visitors 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 Matthew Hansen and a second by Kelli Schweitzer.

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

Minutes from the Student Fees Hearing Meeting and the Regular June Board Meeting were reviewed.

## 6. Financial Report

Motion to approve the financial report Passed with a motion by Mike Hatfield 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

No Principal report this month

## 7.2. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Cogswell reported that the next summer camp will be July 22-26. The High Ability Learners are attending Bright Lights in Lincoln July 8-12. Upcoming events include Administrator Day July 24-26 and English Language Program Inservice on August 1.

## 8. Discussion Items

### 8.1. 2024-2025 Budget

Mr. Cogswell discussed preliminary budget numbers for the 2024-2025 school year

### 8.2. Corporate Sponsors

Mr. Cogswell told the board about his progress with corporate sponsorship from the Coop/Community Foundation and the bank

## 9. Action Items

### 9.1. Approve updated Policies

Policy #2006 Complaint Procedure, #2008 Meetings, #2009 Public Participation at Board Meetings, #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, #3017 Official Communication with the Public, #3032 Fees for School District Records, #3053 Nondiscrimination, #3057 Title IX, #3059 Audio and Video Recording, #3060 Firearms and Weapons, #4011 Employee Leave Under the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA), #4053 Conflict of Interest, #5001 Compulsory Attendance and Excessive Absenteeism - TRADITIONAL APPROACH, #5004 Option Enrollment, #5004 Option Enrollment, #5005 Transportation, #5035 Student Discipline, #6031 Emergency Exclusion, #6036 Reading Instruction and Intervention Services, #6039 Repeat of Grade at Parent-Guardian Request, #6040 Prekindergarten (Preschool or Early Childhood) Program, #6041 Malcolm X Day Education, #6042 Projection Maps 1, and #6043 Mapping Data were reviewed. Motion to approve the updated policies Passed with a motion by Carol Schnell and a second by Shelly Lehr. Matthew Hansen: Yea, Mike Hatfield: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Kelli Schweitzer: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

## 10. Board Committee Report(s)

Transportation: Bus 17 and 24 were up at the Truck Center this month. Bus 17 has some alignment issues that we hope were corrected and Bus 24 still had some issues with the air conditioning. Facilities: The new HVAC Unit in the weight room is up and running.

## 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 August 12 at 8:00 p.m.

## 13. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 8:38 pm Passed with a motion by Mike Hatfield and a second by Carol Schnell. 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