

Board of Education Regular Meeting

Monday, September 14, 2015 7:30 PM

Distance Learning Room at the Palmyra District OR-1 Public Schools

50 Dogwood

Bennet, NE 68317

District Mission:

“Together we prepare our students to successfully meet the challenges of the future.”

Strategic Goal 1: District OR-1 Public Schools will provide the facilities needed to be competitive with other area schools in athletics and fine arts programs.

Strategic Goal 2: District OR-1 Public Schools will foster a unified community.

Strategic Goal 3: District OR-1 Public Schools will continuously implement (academic) programs and the curriculum needed to remain competitive with other area schools.

Attendance Taken at 7:30 PM.

Jaimi Calfee: Present

Doug Church: Present

Kipp Haight: Present

Clayton Maahs: Present

Susan Royal: Present

Kevin Schroder: Present

1. Call to Order

2. Open Meetings Act Posting

3. Staff and Student Presentations

4. Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the consent agenda as presented Passed with a motion by Doug Church and a second by Kipp Haight.

Doug Church: Yea, Kipp Haight: Yea, Clayton Maahs: Yea, Susan Royal: Yea, Kevin Schroder: Yea

4.1. Approval of minutes of previous meetings

4.2. Approval of Claims/Payment of Bills and Payroll

4.3. Certificated/Classified Hire(s)/Reassignment(s)/Resignation(s) Susan verified that there were no new items to discuss under this heading.

4.4. Financial Report

5. Public Comment School District Attorney Mr. Kelley Baker was also present. Matt Smidt and Lisa Dowding offered comments from the Or-1 Education Association. Comments were related

to the associations' show of support for the upcoming bond issue. Bill Eppley commented on the school property located south of the school and damage to his fence. Players are asked so stay off the fence. Bill asked if a fence be put up from the west end to the east end in the form of a privacy fence. The original pins/flags are in place from the survey. Lance Gee offered questions regarding the budget request, the need for increased cash reserve and the increase in the building fund budget.

5.1. In compliance with the provisions of State Statute Sections 13-501 to 13-513, the board of education provides this time for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to the proposed budget and to consider amendments relative thereto. The Hearing was opened at 7:30 p.m. Superintendent Hanger was asked by President Maahs to present information for the proposed budget and financial information for fiscal 2015-2016 prior to public comment so as to provide information that may answer public questions prior to comment. The Hearing was closed at 8:00 p.m.

5.2. In compliance with the provisions of State Statute Section 77-1601.02, the board of education provides this time for the purpose of hearing support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to setting the final tax request at a different amount than the prior year tax request. The Hearing was opened at 7:30 p.m. The Hearing was closed at 8:00 p.m.

6. Administrative Reports The Board received administrative reports.

6.1. Superintendent Report

6.2. High School Principal

6.3. Elementary Principal

7. Discussion Items- Committee Reports

7.1. Potential meeting dates for the negotiations committee. The Board members on the negotiations committee (Jaimi, Clayton and Kevin) established October 19th 6:30 p.m. as a meeting date.

7.2. Dates in December for the next NASB Board development retreat. December 7th at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Hanger will contact NASB.

7.3. Meeting format for September 28th in Bennet and October 5th in Palmyra. Clayton asked if the Board would like to begin tours at 6:00 p.m. Clayton noted that teachers from both facilities have volunteered to lead tours through the school buildings. Kipp added that people could stay after a power point and ask additional questions of the Board or individual Board members. Susan did not remember having a meeting scheduled, but asked if it was necessary to have Clark Enersen present? Kipp wanted to have personnel from Clark Enersen and Ameritas available to answer questions in an open forum. Susan would like to see a display of the facilities and the costs associated with each portion of the project. Mr. Baker offered that with matters that are as emotional as a bond issue there is value to a large meeting so that there is less chance for a misinterpretation of information presented. A general meeting in both locations to wrap up making the same presentation in both locations. 6:00-6:45 tours and 6:45-7:15 wrap up with Clark Enersen and Ameritas.

8. Action Items

8.1. Presentation, discussion and or official action to adopt the 2015-2016 Budget.

Motion to adopt the 2015-2016 Budget. Passed with a motion by Kevin Schroder and a second by Jaimi Calfee.

Susan Royal: Nay, Jaimi Calfee: Yea, Doug Church: Yea, Kipp Haight: Yea, Clayton Maahs: Yea, Kevin Schroder: Yea

8.2. Presentation, discussion and or official action to approve the 2015-2016 Tax Request Resolution.

Motion to approve the 2015-2016 Tax Request Resolution. Passed with a motion by Doug Church and a second by Kipp Haight.

Susan Royal: Nay, Jaimi Calfee: Yea, Doug Church: Yea, Kipp Haight: Yea, Clayton Maahs: Yea, Kevin Schroder: Yea

8.3. Presentation, Discussion and or Official action appointing Superintendent Hanger as official representative responsible for State and Federal forms and applications.

Motion to appoint Superintendent Hanger as official representative responsible for State and Federal forms and applications. Passed with a motion by Jaimi Calfee and a second by Kevin Schroder.

Jaimi Calfee: Yea, Doug Church: Yea, Kipp Haight: Yea, Clayton Maahs: Yea, Susan Royal: Yea, Kevin Schroder: Yea

8.4. Presentation, Discussion and or Official action to ratify the agreement vacating/dedicating Dogwood street with the Village of Bennet.

Motion to ratify the agreement vacating/dedicating Dogwood street with the Village of Bennet. Passed with a motion by Kipp Haight and a second by Jaimi Calfee.

Jaimi Calfee: Yea, Doug Church: Yea, Kipp Haight: Yea, Clayton Maahs: Yea, Susan Royal: Yea, Kevin Schroder: Yea

Mr. Hanger offered information regarding the dedication/vacation of Dogwood street. Susan asked about drainage as referenced in the agreement. Kipp offered information related to the bond issue and grading associated with construction.

8.5. Presentation, Discussion and or Official action to authorize mailing facilities information related to the bond election.

Motion to authorize mailing facilities information related to the bond election. Passed with a motion by Kipp Haight and a second by Jaimi Calfee.

Jaimi Calfee: Yea, Doug Church: Yea, Kipp Haight: Yea, Clayton Maahs: Yea, Susan Royal: Yea, Kevin Schroder: Yea

Doug asked about including the press release. Susan asked why are we mailing this when it has been published as a press release. Doug added that it would go to all patrons. Susan asked who was responsible for drafting the document. Susan asked if her phone number could be added. Mr. Hanger asked Board members to email him if their phone number could be added. Susan asked if we could add information related to the west entrance and the offices to be constructed and a secure entrance on the west side of the Palmyra school. Add that bullet to the Common/Community section of involved in developing a factual and balanced document. There needs to be an edit in the paragraph on page 7 regarding the How much will construction cost?

9. Closed Session None

10. Board of Education Development

10.1. Review of Policy 202.1 Board Member Code of Ethics. The Board completed the review of Policy 202.1

10.2. NASB area membership meeting has been scheduled for October 7, 2015 at Nebraska City. The registration deadline is September 23. Please let me know if you are interested in attending and I would be happy to register you. Meetings are at the public school and according to the NASB website dinner is at Steinhart lodge. Susan and Clayton asked to be registered for the event.

10.3. The NASB conference is scheduled for November 18-20 in LaVista. Board members Doug, Clayton and Jaimi asked to be registered.

11. Topics for Next Month's Agenda Board Chairman Maahs asked for members to turn in their Superintendent evaluations to the Board Chair. Discussion of Fence bids on the south side of the Palmyra school. Policy review

12. Adjournment The meeting was duly adjourned at 9:29 p.m.

Chairperson

Superintendent