

MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
April 8, 2024
7:30 PM

I. Call Meeting to Order

President Dave Zimmerman called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and the following members were present: Betsy Frerichs, Dana Dorn, Dave Zimmerman, Debra Schlake, Jared McKeever, & Jeff Argo. The following administrators were present: Kane Hookstra, Jeff Murphy, & Christopher Prosocki.

Reasonable advance publicized notice of the meeting was given according to law by publishing, a designated method for giving notice of the school district. Posted Location:

- Fairbury Journal-News

Posted Date: 4/5/2024

Reasonable advance notice was simultaneously given to board members and a copy of their acknowledgment of receipt of notice and the agenda attached. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

I.A. Roll Call

I.B. Notice of Nebraska Open Meetings Act Posted

President Dave Zimmerman announced that a complete copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was posted on the back of the board of education meeting room.

II. Approval of Minutes from the March 11, 2024, Regular Board Meeting

Motion to approve minutes from the March 11, 2024, Regular Board Meeting. This motion, made by Dana Dorn and seconded by Jeff Argo, passed.
yes: 6, no: 0

III. Communications, Audiences, and Recognitions

III.A. Public comments will not be received after this period of time. Public comment period is limited to 5 minutes per person and a total of 30 minutes overall.

IV. Financial Statement: Items for Discussion, Consideration, and/or Action

IV.A. Approval of Bills

IV.A.1. General Fund, Special Building Fund, Depreciation Fund, and Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund Claims

Motion to approve the general fund, special building fund, depreciation fund, and qualified capitol purpose undertaking fund claims. This motion, made by Debra Schlake and seconded by

Betsy Frerichs, passed.
yes: 6, no: 0

IV.A.2. Lunch & Activity Claims

V. Support Service

V.A. Facility Update

John Eisenhower provided the school board with a written report on commissioning the new electric bus, Fairbury Glass installing new windows in the shop, installing shot clocks, being short on activity drivers, resurfacing the gym floor this summer, and finishing up the Jr./Sr. High School remodel project.

V.B. Personnel Items

V.B.1. Hiring Recommendation

V.B.1.1. Drake Adams - 1.0 FTE - 7-12 Science Teacher for the 2024-2025 School Year

Motion to approve Drake Adams as the 7-12 Science teacher for the 2024-2025 school year. This motion, made by Jared McKeever and seconded by Debra Schlake, passed.
yes: 6, no: 0

V.C. Technology Update

VI. Administrative and Committee Reports

VI.A. Student Board Member Report

VI.B. Elementary Principal's Report

The elementary principal reported on the following items: current enrollment figures (192), Reading Rally completion for 3rd & 4th grade team and the 5th & 6th grade team, update on WORDS literacy grant, upcoming state testing in grades 3rd-6th, preschool advisory committee meeting, last day for the student teacher, kindergarten roundup on April 29, and end of the year field trips.

VI.C. Secondary Principal's Report

The secondary principal reported on the following items: current enrollment figures (176), Scholastic Recognition (Jaidyn Allington & Rylee Swearingen were 4-year winners), National Honor Society inductions, all of the alternative education spots at ESU 5 are filled, Nebraska State FFA Convention, an update on welding classes, state testing update, upcoming Honors & Fine Arts night, upcoming District Music contest, upcoming athletic banquets, upcoming senior interview day, and looking at offering a Spanish trip for students in 2026 for students in Spanish classes (The Washington D.C. trip takes place in the summer of 2024 for students in social studies classes).

VI.D. Superintendent's Report

Dr. Prosocki went over the extra duty assignments for the 2024-2025 school year, and he went over the changes brought forth by LB 43, which now requires public comments at all school board meetings, and it changed the current public record law in Nebraska. Next, Dr. Prosocki went over the post-graduate survey results, and he went over the presenters for next school year. From here, Dr. Prosocki gave the school board an update on the proposed property tax reduction plan under LB 388 and LB 1331, which would totally revamp funding for public education in Nebraska. Lastly, Dr. Prosocki said that he completed the Small, Rural School Achievement (SRSA) grant and the district will receive \$24,192 from this grant.

Jeff Argo left the meeting at 8:13 p.m.

VII. Items for Discussion, Consideration, and/or Action

VII.A. Special Education Service with ESU 5 for the 2024-2025 School Year

Motion to approve the special education service with ESU 5 for the 2024-2025 school year. This motion, made by Dana Dorn and seconded by Betsy Frerichs, passed.

yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

VII.B. Consider the Approval of an Overnight Field Trip to Southeast Community College (SCC) Milford for June Jam 2024

Motion to of an overnight field trip to Southeast Community College (SCC) Milford for June Jam 2024. This motion, made by Debra Schlake and seconded by Dana Dorn, passed.

yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

VII.C. Consider the Approval of the Addition of High School Girls Wrestling for the 2024-2025 School Year

Motion to approve of the addition of high school girls wrestling for the 2024-2025 school year. This motion, made by Jared McKeever and seconded by Dana Dorn, passed.

yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

Dr. Prosocki noted that the district is in the process of finding an additional assistant girls wrestling coach for the upcoming school year.

VII.D. Approve the Track Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with the City of Wymore

Motion to table the Track Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with the City of Wymore. This motion, made by Debra Schlake and seconded by Jared McKeever, passed.

yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

Dr. Prosocki noted that the agreement had some typos in it and it still needed to be updated by the track fundraising group before the school board would approve the updated version.

VII.E. Option Enrollment Applications

VIII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 p.m. This motion, made by Jared McKeever and seconded by Dana Dorn, passed.

yes: 5, no: 0, Absent: 1

The next Regular Board meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m., May 13, 2024, at Southern Jr./Sr. High School Boardroom in Wymore. The Board of Education will usually adhere to the sequence of the published agenda, but reserves the right to adjust the order of items if necessary and may elect to amend the agenda as deemed necessary.

BY

President of the Board of Education
Of this School District

ATTEST

Secretary of the Board of Education
of this School District