

ESU #1 BOARD MEETING
January 13, 2015

A meeting of the ESU #1 Board of Directors convened in open and public session on Tuesday, January 13, 2015, at 5:30 p.m. at ESU #1 in Wakefield, Nebraska. Helen Sorensen was introduced to the Board as the newly elected candidate for Election District #1.

Present: Joy Bock, Adrian (AJ) Johnson, Helen Sorensen, Sally Reinert, Dave Dowling, Fred Boelter, Ronnie Wenstrand, Rod Garwood, Tom Luxford, Jeff Messersmith (5:45) and Rhonda Heise. **Absent:** None

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication and/or posting in accordance with the Board approved method for giving notice of meetings. Notice of this meeting was given in advance to all members of the Board of Directors. The Recording Secretary maintains a list of news media requesting notification of meetings and advance notification to the listed media of the time and place of the meeting and the subjects to be discussed at this meeting was provided. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the publicized notice and a current copy of the Agenda was maintained as stated in the publicized notice. All proceedings of the Board of Directors, except as may be hereinafter noted, were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Audience:

Call Meeting to Order.

A. Notification of Open Meetings Law. At the beginning of this meeting, the Chairman announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is available at the meeting site.

Agenda Item B (Board Member Appointment) moved to Agenda Item J.

B. Board Member Roll Call. Recording secretary completed roll call of board members.

C. Approval of Agenda. Motion by Boelter, second by Garwood, to approve the January 13, 2015, agenda as presented. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Sorensen, Bock, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood, Luxford and Heise. **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 9-0.

D. Reorganization of the Board. Administrator Uhing was appointed to lead the meeting through the nomination of Board officers. Motion by Garwood, second by Luxford, that the current board officers remain the same for 2015. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Sorensen, Bock, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood, Luxford and Heise. **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 9-0.

Board Officers:

Chairman	Dave Dowling
Vice-Chairman	Fred Boelter
Secretary	Ronald Wenstrand

Board members completed the Oath of Office and signed the Code of Ethics as presented at the meeting. A copy will be retained in the file.

E. Consent Agenda. Motion by Wenstrand, second by Reinert, to approve all items on the consent agenda as provided (December 9, 2014 Minutes; Financial Reports; Treasurer’s Report, January 15 Bill Listing of \$646,389.29 and Administrator’s Report). After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Sorensen, Bock, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood, Luxford and Heise. **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 9-0.

F. Public Comment.

G. Appoint Standing Committees. A “Draft” of the proposed Standing Committees was presented and final approval will take place at the February meeting.

H. Position Appointments. Motion by Garwood, second by Reinert, that the current position assignments remain the same for 2015.

Position Assignments: **Ex-Officio Treasurer:** Stuart Clark
 Recording Secretary: Lisa Salmon
 Attorney of Record: Rex Schultze
 Primary Depository:..... Iowa-Nebraska State Bank

After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Sorensen, Bock, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood, Luxford and Heise. **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 9-0.

I. Designate Newspaper of Record. Motion by Dowling, second by Heise, to name the newspapers listed below as the 2015 ESU #1 Newspapers of Record.

Wayne Herald, Cedar County News, Dakota County Star, Nebraska Journal Leader, Pender Times, Bloomfield Monitor and the Wakefield Republican.

After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Sorensen, Bock, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood, Luxford and Heise. **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 9-0.

J. Motion by Garwood, second by Boelter, to appoint Jeff Messersmith to the vacant Election District #7 and Adrian (AJ) to the vacant Election District #9. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Sorensen, Bock, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Garwood, Luxford and Heise. **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 9-0.

K. Government Relations Network Representative. Motion by Heise, second by Luxford, to name Rodney Garwood as the ESU #1 Legislative Relations Network representative for 2015. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Sorensen, Bock, Reinert, Dowling, Boelter, Wenstrand, Messersmith, Garwood, Luxford, Johnson and Heise. **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion Carried:** 11-0.

L. Audit Report. Administrator Uhing provided a summary of the contents from the 2013-14 Audit Report. The Board will review the document and be asked to accept the report at the February, 2015 meeting.

M. ESU #1 Biannual Update. Special Education Director Clark gave a brief overview of the current and projected changes taking place in special education related to programs and staffing.

N. Central Office Repairs. Administrator Uhing provided an update of the Central Office repairs. He noted that the Hideaway Shelter has been installed, a structural engineer will be at the office this week to view the damage done to the northeast corner of the building and estimates for repair have been submitted.

O. Legislative Report. Administrator Uhing provided an overview of the areas of emphasis for NDE and the ESUCC in 2015.

P. Personnel. The Board was informed of the resignation of Paraeducator Joshua McCampbell effective January 9, 2015.

Q. Adjournment. As there were no additional agenda items, Chairman Dowling declared the meeting adjourned at 6:06 p.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lisa Salmon".

Lisa Salmon, Recording Secretary

Ronnie Wenstrand, Board Secretary

Next Meeting ~ Tuesday, February 10, 2015 @ 5:30 p.m.