

ESU #1 BOARD MEETING

April 13, 2010

A meeting of the ESU #1 Board of Directors convened in open and public session on Tuesday, April 13, 2010, at 5:30 p.m. at ESU #1 in Wakefield, Nebraska.

Present: Joy Bock, Pat Nauroth, Dave Dowling, Sally Reinert, Nancy Kirkholm, Fred Boelter, Rodney Garwood and Rich Higgins. **Absent:** Ronnie Wenstrand, Wayne Goeden and Kelly Ballinger.

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: None

Call Meeting to Order. Chairman Dowling duly called the meeting to order.

A. Announcement of Open Meetings Act Posting

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.

B. Approval of Agenda. Motion by Garwood, second by Nauroth, to approve the April 13, 2010 agenda as presented. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Bock, Kirkholm, Reinert, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter, Garwood and Nauroth; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 8-0.

Chairman Dowling requested that Agenda Item H. (Property/Liability Insurance) be handled prior to Item C. (Consent Agenda).

H. Property/Liability Insurance. Motion by Boelter, second by Reinert, to approve the Property/Liability Insurance Policy through Employer's Mutual at an annual premium of \$46,671. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Bock, Kirkholm, Reinert, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter, Garwood and Nauroth; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 8-0.

C. Consent Agenda. Motion by Boelter, second by Bock, to approve all items on the consent agenda as provided (March 9, Minutes; Financial Reports; Treasurer's Report, April Bills of \$637,150.93, plus additional bill of \$2,850, and Administrator's Report). After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Bock, Kirkholm, Reinert, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter, Garwood and Nauroth; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 8-0.

D. Public Comment. None

E. AdvancEd Readiness Report. Administrator Uhing reported on the March 5, Readiness Visit with the assigned External Team.

- F. A/V & Computer Repair Contract. Motion by Garwood, second by Reinert, to approve the A/V & Computer Repair Contract with George Hefner, dba Hefner Electronics, at a rate of \$50/hour for the 2010-11 school year. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
- For:** Bock, Kirkholm, Reinert, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter, Garwood and Nauroth; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 8-0.
- G. Business Travel Policy. Administrator Uhing outlined the revised Administrative Business Travel Policy, which will be effective with the 2010-11 contract year.
- H. Property/Liability Insurance. Action taken prior to Agenda Item C. (Consent Agenda ~ See Above)
- I. NNNC Technology Budget. Motion by Garwood, second by Boelter, to approve the 2010-11 NNNC proposed budget of \$285,115. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
- For:** Bock, Kirkholm, Reinert, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter, Garwood and Nauroth; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 8-0.
- J. Licensed Staff Contracts. Administrator Uhing distributed a list of proposed 2010-11 wages and benefits for the Physical and Occupational Therapy staff: Angela Hansen, Chris Hanson-Harder, Angela Wortmann, Staci Fethkenher and Kristine Kleve. Motion by Garwood, second by Boelter, to approve the proposal as presented. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
- For:** Bock, Kirkholm, Reinert, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter, Garwood and Nauroth; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 8-0.
- K. Specialty Contracts. Administrator Uhing distributed a list of proposed 2010-11 wages and benefits for the Staff Development and Technology staff: Rhonda Jindra, Amy Hill, Shannon Collin, Chris Good and Jim Hopkins. Motion by Boelter, second by Garwood, to approve Proposal B at a 5.54% package increase. In addition, it is the intent of the Board to offer a 4% package increase in 2011-12. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
- For:** Bock, Kirkholm, Reinert, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter, Garwood and Nauroth; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 8-0.
- L. Administrative Contracts. Administrator Uhing distributed a list of proposed 2010-11 wages and benefits for the Administrative staff: Bob Uhing, Stuart Clark and Lisa Salmon. Motion by Boelter, second by Garwood, to approve a package increase of 5.5% for the administrative staff. In addition, it is the intent of the Board to offer a 4% package increase in 2011-12. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
- For:** Bock, Kirkholm, Reinert, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter, Garwood and Nauroth; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 8-0.
- M. Personnel. Motion by Dowling, second by Boelter, to approve the 2010-11 Voluntary Reduction requests of Psychologist Ron Lorenzen (200 to 190 days); O.T. Angela Hansen (200 to 195 days) and O.T. Angela Wortmann (140 to 117 days), and to accept the resignation of School Psychologist Stephanie Jensen, effective at the end of academic year 2009-10. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
- For:** Bock, Kirkholm, Reinert, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter, Garwood and Nauroth; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 8-0.
- Motion by Higgins, second by Reinert, to accept, with regret, the retirement of Tower S/P Teacher Delores Boeckenhauer at the end of academic year 2009-10. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:
- For:** Bock, Kirkholm, Reinert, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter, and Nauroth; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** Garwood; **Motion carried:** 7-0.

Motion by Higgins, second by Nauroth to approve the 2010-11 employment contract of Speech/Language Pathologist Caitlin Babbitt and School Psychology Intern Jennifer Pattee. In addition, the Board approves offering a 2010-11 contract to Rebecca Goos (Tower S/P Teacher). After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

For: Bock, Kirkholm, Reinert, Higgins, Dowling, Boelter, Garwood and Nauroth; **Against:** None; **Not Voting:** None; **Motion carried:** 8-0.

FYI ~ ECSE Teacher Jennifer Bensen will be issued a contract for 113 days (increase from 92.5 days in 2009-10).

N. Adjournment. There being no additional agenda items, Chairman Dowling declared the meeting adjourned at 6:32 p.m.



Lisa Salmon, Recording Secretary

Ronnie Wenstrand, Board Secretary

Next Meeting ~ Tuesday, May 11, 2010 @ 5:30 p.m.