

Board of Education Special Meeting and
Retreat
Tuesday, March 25, 2014 6:00 PM

Board Conference Room
520 East 9th Street
Imperial, NE 69033

Agenda

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Agenda
- III. Action Items
 1. Mercedes Hauxwell - High School Spanish Teacher for the 2014-2015 school year.
 2. Alexandria Rettele - High School English Teacher for the 2014-2015 school year.
 3. Stephanie Malcolm - Elementary Teacher for the 2014-2015 school year.
- IV. Retreat of the Board
 1. Discussion Items
 - a. Team Mates program
 - b. Breakfast Program
 - c. Early Graduation Issues
 - d. Sick Leave Bank Policy
 - e. Staffing Issues
 - f. Future direction of industrial arts program, family and consumer science, and ELL programs
 - g. Cell Phone Policy
 - h. Technology Update, teaching computer programming, using e-textbooks, and utilizing a web team.
 - i. Maintenance Schedule for Summer
 - j. Committee Organization and Roles
 - k. BCI Bus replacement
 - l. Wellington Property
 - m. New Bus Barn
 - n. Pre-K Program
- V. Adjourn

MERCEDES N. HAUXWELL

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Homeroom Teaching Experience ~Professional ~Enthusiastic ~Committed

Devoted teaching professional with a desire to reach each and every student and instill a love for learning. I have demonstrated knowledge for designing individualized/group lessons and activities according to student academic proficiency. I am a hard working and motivated educator with strong communication and interpersonal skills to cultivate working relationships within the school community.

Professional Teaching Experiences:

High School SPANISH Instructor: 5+yrs
Health/Physical Education Instructor: 8+yrs
ELL Instructor (K-12-Adult): 10+yrs
Middle School Math: 1 yr.
Jr. High/High School Coach: (Volleyball, Basketball, Track) -10+yrs
Rainbow Promise Preschool- 1 ½ yrs

Areas of training include:

- Differentiated Instruction
- Scaffolding Instruction
- Curriculum Development
- RTI Training
- Higher Level Thinking
- Performance Testing
- Bilingual/Dual Language
- Cooperative & Student-Centered Learning
- 6-Trait Writing/Analytical Training
- Align Instruction to State Standards
- Analysis of Student Data
- Parent-Teacher Conferences
- Learning Style Assessment/Instruction
- Classroom Discipline

K-12 Extra Responsibilities (Academic/Athletic): Sponsor/Volunteer/Coordinator/Member

Academics:

Class Sponsor/Prom Coordinator/Concessions
School Accountability /Booster Club
ELL Presentation to Staff Members
Workshop for Hispanic Parents
In-Service/Staff Development
Lunch/Recess Monitor
Field Trip Sponsor
School Carnival Committee
School Scholastic Book Fair
Elementary Field Day-set up/run events
Cinco de Mayo Coordinator (H.S. Spanish Classes)
Adult/Student ELL Literacy Program Coordinator
Literacy Night
CSAP Colorado State Testing Proctor
CELA ELL State Testing & Assessment
Calendar/Curriculum Planning

Athletics:

IH/HS Coach: Volleyball, Basketball, Track
Class 1A State Track Meet Worker
Football-Take Gate, set up/tear down field
Volleyball & Basketball -keep book/call lines
Track Meets- run events
Nebraska & Colorado Coaching Clinics
PreK Gross Motor Designed Activities

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Other Volunteer Work/Coaching/ Activities/Hobbies:

Kearney Rotary Volunteer City-wide Disaster Clean-up
UNK - Volunteer at Cross Country Meets/Track Meets
Kearney High School- Volunteer Ecology Group Leader
Kearney Elementary Basketball Referee
Kearney Mid-Nebraska Community Services Volunteer
Raise money for American Heart Association (walk)
Journalism Sports Writer for City Paper (Friday Nights)
Swim Team Meet Volunteer
Imperial 8 & under Volunteer Softball Coach
Active Participant in 5k races and Boulder Bolder 10k
Nebraska Cornhusker State Games: Tennis & Track Participant
Colorado State Games: Track (Qualified for State Games of America)
30 Hours of Volunteer Work: Kearney's Good Samaritan Hospital & McCook Community Hospital (PT)

Youth/Adult Coaching (Kearney Park & Recreation):

Tiny Kicker Soccer
Pony Tail Softball
Youth Volleyball, Basketball
Adult Tennis/Youth Tennis
In-Line Roller Hockey
Referee for Adult Flag Football, Adult Volleyball
Open-Gym

Hobbies: Spending time with family, Photography, Hunting/Fishing/Outdoor Sports

Religious (Volunteer):

UNK -FCA Huddle Leader/Weekend of Champions
UNK- Friends Program-Big Sister/Big Brother Program
Christian Student Fellowship Member
High School FCA Leader/Sponsor Trips
Awana Leader
Hallelujah Night Coordinator
Youth Group Leader
Sunday School Teacher
Missionary Work in Mexico-build church
Missionary Work at State Penn- church services
Missionary Work at Cookson Hills Children's Ranch
Night in Bethlehem
Operation Christmas Child
Imperial- Feed My Starving Children
Food Give-away
County Fair - hand out water (church)

UNK-College/HS Sports Member:

UNK -Girls Tennis Team
UNK -Girls Golf Team
High School -Volleyball, Track, Golf, Softball

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Education:

University of Nebraska-Kearney

Bachelor of Science in Psychology, Spanish
Pre-Physical Therapy Classes
Health/PE

McCook Comm. College (Mid-Plains)
Associates of Arts

Continuing Education Classes (for Educators): 30.5 hrs

Adams State College – Alamosa, CO, UNC-Greeley, University of CO-Denver,
Augustana College- SD, NJC-Sterling, CO

Employment History:

Rainbow Promise Preschool (Imperial, NE)Sept. 2012 - Dec. 2013

Preschool Teacher: Instruct/Direct/Plan Lessons

Contact Person: Barb Hill (308) 882-4916

Bethune Public Schools (Bethune, CO).....Aug. 1997 – May 2007

K-12 Educator: Spanish, ELL, Health/PE, Math, Coach

Contact Persons: Supt. Don Anderson H: (719) 346-8737 W: (719) 775-2342 (BOCES)

Supt. Bret Robinson W: (970) 895-2222 (Pawnee Schools)

Supt. Jim Poole (former) H: (719) 346-8190

Nebraska Dept. of Roads (summer 1994-McCook, NE)

State Worker: Machinery, flag, pave roads, test grain samples

Contact: McCook Dept. of Roads W: (308) 345-8490

First National Bank of Kearney (1995-Kearney, NE)

Proof Operator: Encode checks, Balance, handle money

No longer First National Bank

Kearney Park & Recreation (Kearney, NE).....Sept. 1994 – July 1995

Youth & Adult Coach/Referee/Pool Clerk

Contact: Scott Hayden City of Kearney Park & Rec Dept. W: (308) 237-4644

McCook Community Hospital (summer 1992-McCook, NE)

Environmental Services

Contact: Rita Herron W: (308) 345-2650

UNK- Work Study: Track & Swim Coach Aid, Library Aid (Kearney, NE)

Lyle Claussen & Joan Bailey—no longer working at UNK

American Electric Company (McCook, NE).....Summer 1989 – May 1991

Fill Purchase Orders, Ship/Receive, File, Billing, etc.

Contact: Fred Shepherd/Dan Jones W: (308) 345 -3414

McDonalds (High School-McCook, NE)

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02/06/14

Mike Sorensen
7-12 Principal
Chase County Schools
P.O. Box 577
Imperial, NE, 69033

Dear Mr. Sorensen,

I am writing a letter of interest in regards to the 7-12 English position at Chase County Schools. I was made aware of the this position through the nebraskaeducationjobs.com website. I am pursuing a career in education, and I would be interested in learning more about Chase County Schools and about the available teaching job.

Currently, I am completing my student teaching experience and will graduate from the University of Nebraska at Kearney with a Bachelor of Arts in History and English Education this May.

My resume, which is enclosed, contains additional information on my experience and skills. I would appreciate the opportunity to discuss the position with you. I can be reached via my cell phone, 308-737-7714 or via email at rettelean@lopers.unk.edu.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to speaking with you about this exciting opportunity.

Best Regards,



Alexandria Rettele

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OBJECTIVE

To obtain a 7-12 English and/or History teaching position in the state of Nebraska.

EXPERIENCE

Field Experience, Pleasanton High School; Pleasanton, NE—2013

Assisted cooperating teacher with lessons, grading and planning. Created and presented lessons. Worked one-on-one with students.

Volunteer Summer School Aide, Benkelman Elementary; Benkelman, NE—2013

Worked one-on-one with lower ability students. Presented lessons. Assisted teachers with classroom management.

Volunteer Bible School Teacher, Benkelman Churches; Benkelman, NE—2005-2009

Constructed and presented lessons. Developed and implemented different classroom management plans.

WORK HISTORY

Retail Clerk, The Stagecoach; Kearney, NE — 2010-2013

Operated cash register. Trained new employees. Maintained and rotated inventory.

Waitress, Benkelman Country Club; Benkelman, NE — 2010-2013

Assisted manger. Operated cash register. Maintained and conducted inventory. Served meals for tournaments.

Front Counter/Drive-Thru, McDonalds; Kearney, NE — 2009-2010

Operated cash registers. Trained new employees.

EDUCATION

University of Nebraska-Kearney, Kearney, NE—Bachelors of Arts in 7-12 History and English Education, projected graduation May 2014

SKILLS

- Proficient in all PC and Mac programs
- Experienced in desktop publishing
- Working knowledge of Photoshop
- Effective at creating Prezis and using other forms of presentation software

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Dean's List-5 Semesters

REFERENCES

Personal and professional references available upon request.

Stephanie Malcolm – Professional Educator

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*“...incredibly creative
and accommodating to
the needs of
...students...fosters
engagement and productive
thinking.....something
spectacular....positive,
productive, and integral part
of your school...”*

Jenifer Highstreet
Behavior Specialist
Albany County School
District #1

*“...ability to create a community
in her classroom... strong
rapport with parents and
actively engages them in the
classroom...allows each student
to shine...an outstanding
teacher and dedicated staff
member...”*

Dawn Wilson
Principal
Snowy Range Academy
Laramie, WY

Professional Profile

Eager to assist student body, teachers, parents, and policy makers in pursuit of academic excellence using a unique combination of 7+ years education and parenting experience and professional development

- Hold **Masters Degree in Curriculum and Instruction** and Bachelors Degree in Elementary Education
- **Experience using proven strategies for student success based on growth in achievement data, development of joyful classroom culture, and student and parent relationship building**
- School Based Intervention Team participation/IEP implementation and management
- **Supervision experience with practicum and pre-service teachers**
- Managerial experience
- **Consensus-building training and implementation/Mediation experience**
- Effective oral and written communication within educational and community arenas
- **Curriculum Committee involvement**
- **Dedicated to enthusiastic and dynamic teaching** as a means of creating and nurturing a lifelong love of knowledge in children

Education, Honors, and Certifications

Masters of Education – Elementary Curriculum and Instruction
Chadron State College, Chadron, Nebraska, 2012

Bachelor of Science in Education – Elementary K-8
Chadron State College, Chadron, Nebraska, 2005

Honors

President’s List – 2005

Dean’s List – 2004

Phi Theta Kappa – Honor Society, 1996-1998

Certification Experience

Spalding Certified Teacher, 2009

Nebraska Elementary Education Certification, 2006

Wyoming Elementary Education Certification, 2006

Nebraska Local Substitute Teaching Certification, 2002-2006

Nebraska Pool Management Certification, 2003-2005

American Red Cross Lifeguard Certification, 2003-2005

Mediation Certification, Nebraska Office of Dispute Resolution, 2000

“...accepting and open to new ideas and approaches...instrumental to my personal growth...outstanding example of an education professional...enthusiastic, gracious, and shows patience when confronted with challenging tasks.”

Dea Kobbe
Student Teacher
University of Wyoming

“...well liked and respected by her peers, students, and parents...one of the most talented teachers I have had the pleasure to know in quite some time..”

Margarita Rovani
Business Manager
Snowy Range Academy
Laramie, WY

Key Qualifications

Certified in Elementary (K-6) and Highly Qualified

Plan and instruct each subject area using wide variety of teaching aids, motivational and implementation strategies to engage students in active learning

Incorporate learning modality principles into classroom and individual instruction. Develop and conduct inter-grade activities to celebrate learning

Implement technological approaches to subject material. Research and continued study of educational resources

Useful application of data to drive instructional decision making

Employment

Professional Development in Education

- **Tenured Classroom Teacher, Fourth Grade**
Snowy Range Academy, Laramie, WY
July 2009 to 2013
- **Classroom Teacher, Second and Fourth Grade**
Little Snake River Valley School, Baggs, WY
July 2006 - June 2008
- **Substitute Teacher, K-12**
Hitchcock County Unified Schools/
Wauneta-Palisade School District, Southwest Nebraska
2002-2006
- **Pool Manager/Lifeguard**
Palisade, NE
Seasonal - Summers 2003 and 2005
- **Regional Coordinator, Nebraska Community Builders**
Southwest Nebraska Region
October 2001 to March 2002
- **Americorp Member, Governor Ben Nelson Institute, Rural/Economic Development**
McCook, NE
September 1999 to July 2001

Professional Affiliations

International Reading Association
Wyoming Writing Project
Spalding International
Core Knowledge Foundation
Quantum Learning Network
STEM

References

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