



Regular Board of Directors Meeting

Monday, April 18, 2016 at 4:00 PM

Educational Service Unit 7, Oak Room
2657 44th Avenue
Columbus, NE 68601-8537

1. Call the meeting to order

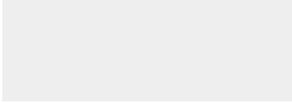
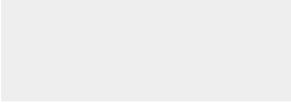
Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

Rationale:



LEADERSHIP • SERVICE • SUPPORT - ESU 7 Mission Statement

Notice of this meeting was given in advance according to State Law 84-1411, by giving notice of the meeting to the public on ESU 7 website www.esu7.org and posted at location of meeting. Notice of this meeting was also given in advance to all members of the Board of Directors. Availability of the agenda and purpose of the hearing was communicated in the advance notice of the meeting and in the notice to the members of this hearing. All proceedings of the Board of Directors were taken while the convened hearing was open to the attendance of the public.



1.1. Notification of Open Meetings Law

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

Rationale:

This meeting has been preceded by advance notice and is hereby declared to be in open session. A copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted in the meeting room.



1.2. Roll Call

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

1.3. Pledge of Allegiance

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

2. Public Forum

Rationale:



2.1. Welcome Visitors

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

2.2. Public Comment

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

Rationale: The board has the discretion to limit the amount of time set aside for public participation.

Citizens wishing to address the board on a certain agenda item must notify the Educational Service Unit administrator prior to the board meeting. Citizens wishing to present petitions to the board may do so at this time. However, the board will only receive the petitions and not act upon them or their contents.

Public Participation in Board Meetings **Policy 1.02.02**

3. Approval of Agenda

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

Rationale:

The sequence of agenda topics is subject to change at the discretion of the board.

Order of Business, Regular Meetings **Policy 1.02.01**

Recommendation: Discuss, consider and take any necessary action to approve agenda.



Recommended Motion(s):

Agenda as presented Passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2.

4. Approval of Minutes

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

Rationale:

Recommendation: Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve the minutes as presented.



Recommended Motion(s):

Minutes as presented Passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2.

5. Action Items

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

5.1. Board Absences

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

Rationale:

Staff Recommendation: Discuss, consider and take action to approve the board absences.



Recommended Motion(s):

Motion to approve absent board directors Passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2.

5.2. Treasurer's Report

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

Rationale:

Recommendation: Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve Treasurer's Report as presented.



Recommended Motion(s):

Treasurer's Report as presented Passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2.

5.3. Presentation of Bills

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

Rationale:

The summary of bills for the current month total:\$544,276.75 - Bills #63104 through #63250

Inservice bills total: \$0

SPED Arrears:Humphrey \$21,353.05

TECH Arrears: Leigh \$370.76, St. Edward \$1,502.02, St. John Lutheran \$962.50

Recommendation: Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve bills as presented.



Recommended Motion(s):

Bills as presented Passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2.

5.4. Second Reading of Policy 1.15 Change of Board Policies

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

Rationale:

Recommendation: Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve the second reading of Policy 1.15 Change of Board Policies as presented.



Recommended Motion(s):

After second reading, Policy 1.15 Change of Board Policies, Passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2.

5.5. First Reading of Policy 1.19 Board Member Vacancy

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

Rationale:

Recommendation: Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve the first reading of Policy 1.19 Board Member Vacancy as presented and advance it to the next meeting for second reading.



Recommended Motion(s):

First reading of Policy 1.19 Board Member Vacancy and its advancement to the May 2016 meeting Passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2.

5.6. SPED Contract

Rationale:

Laura Mettler is an ASHA certified Speech/Language Pathologist (SLP). She grew up in Iowa and currently resides in Norfolk. Laura graduated from the University of South Dakota at Vermillion with her Bachelor of Arts in 1982 and her Master of Arts in 1984 in Speech and Language Disorders. She has worked since that time as a SLP working for Wakonda Public Schools, Educational Service Unit 8, Regroup Adult Rehabilitation, and most recently, Norfolk Public Schools for the past 19 years. Laura has had training and experience working with a wide range of ages and disabilities, including Autism, Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Impairments in Articulation, Language, Fluency, and Voice, Developmental Delays, Childhood Apraxia of Speech, Downs Syndrome, Emotionally Disturbed, and Alternative-Augmentative Communication. Her expertise in these areas has led to mentoring and supervising SLPs during student internships and/or Clinical Fellowship Years. Those who have worked with Laura describe her as prepared, organized, flexible, compassionate, and competent. Laura Mettler is a welcomed addition to the ESU7 SLP team and we are excited for her to serve our students, families, and districts.

Recommendation: Discuss, consider and take any action necessary to approve the 2016-2017 contract of Laura Mettler, Speech Language Pathologist.

Recommended Motion(s):

2016-2017 Speech Language Pathologist contract for Laura Mettler, Passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2.

5.7. SPED Resignation

Speaker(s): Darus Mettler

Rationale: Recommendation: Discuss, consider and take any necessary action to approve the resignation of Penny Brown, Speech Language Pathologist Administrator/ILDC Facilitator.

Recommended Motion(s):

Resignation of Penny Brown, Speech Language Pathologist Administrator/ILDC Facilitator Passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2.

5.8. Professional Development Contract

Speaker(s): Marci Ostmeyer

Rationale:

Brooke Koliha joins the ESU 7 Professional Development Team from the Humphrey Public Schools. She is presently a kindergarten teacher and a lead member of the RtI/MTSS team.

Brooke began her career with 8 years as a Title 1 teacher in the ESU 7 Cooperative. She is pursuing her doctorate in reading through UNL. Her extensive training and her experience with many of the reading programs being used within the ESU 7 districts will be an asset to the students and educators as well as to the Professional Development department.

Recommendation: Discuss, consider and take any necessary action to approve contracts for Brooke Koliha, Professional Development Coordinator.

Recommended Motion(s):

Contracts for Brooke Koliha as presented Passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2.

6. Discussion Items

Rationale:

6.1. Administrator's Report

Speaker(s): Larianne Polk

Rationale:

Facilities Update

Statewide Update

Administrator's Goals

ESUCC Updates - See Attached Powerpoint

Scorecard - Attached for Review

50th Year Celebration

Administrator Contract - Average views on Website

Adjournment

Upcoming Dates



7. Adjournment

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

Created by: Katy McNeil, Secretary to the ESU 7 Board of Directors