

## Regular Board of Education Meeting

Monday, June 10, 2024 6:30 AM

Boone Central High School Art Room  
605 South 6th St.  
Albion, NE 68620

Karrie Fogleman: Present

Justin Frey: Present

Ed Knott: Present

Andy Roberts: Present

Kathleen Rolf: Present

Ben Stuhr: Absent

### 1. Open the Meeting, Recognition of Open Meetings Law and Publication of Meeting

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication to the public and to all members of the Board of Education. Availability of the agenda was communicated in advance. The Open Meetings Act was available for review.

### 2. Roll Call

Motion to approve the absence of Board Member Ben Stuhr for personal reasons. This motion, made by Andy Roberts and seconded by Ed Knott, Passed.

Karrie Fogleman: Yea, Justin Frey: Yea, Ed Knott: Yea, Andy Roberts: Yea, Kathleen Rolf:

Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

### 3. Agenda and Minutes

### 4. Welcome Guests

## 5. Bill Roster and Financial Reports

Motion to approve the bills, and to authorize the Board President and Treasurer to sign and validate all the checks as presented. This motion, made by Justin Frey and seconded by Ed Knott, Passed.

Karrie Fogleman: Yea, Justin Frey: Yea, Ed Knott: Yea, Andy Roberts: Yea, Kathleen Rolf: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

## 6. Reports

### 6.1. Boone Central Recognitions

Frey - Jeff Schwartz, thank you for all you have done for the District. We appreciate all the work you have put in.

Roberts - Thank you to Mr. Schwartz for the work he has put in, and to Mr. Curry for receiving the Principal of the Year award.

Knott - Thank you to Mr. Schwartz who came in during some interesting times, handled things well and put us in a better spot than we were in before.

Fogleman - Shout out to Lowell, he is the heart of our District, knowing what is going on and what needs to be fixed. Thanks for all he does for the District.

Rolf - I would like to recognize Stacy Petersen, inside and outside the classroom, she quietly goes about her business very well. She is an asset to the District and all the kids love her. Her efforts are appreciated.

Curry - Mrs. Thompson not only does a great job in the classroom teaching our middle school students about their computers, the google suite, and other tech related standards, but she provides leadership for our tech committee. She will be an important part of our laptop roll-out in August. There is a lot of work that goes into this process, and she does a lot of work behind the scenes. Also, the CTSO Nationals Qualifiers and Participants. Over the summer and into the early parts of next school year, FBLA, FCCLA, and FFA will participate in national conventions and competitions after qualifying for these events. These groups really help to execute our mission of Building Character, Creating Opportunities, and Striving For Success! Congratulations to Mr. Sup and FFA, Ms. Aldana for FCCLA, and Mrs. Hitchler for FFA for their dedication to sponsoring these groups and helping students find success that showcases their talents at a national level, representing Boone Central!

Kayton - Summer School staff who dedicate their time to helping our students.

Schwartz - Thank you to the Administration and the Board. It was a great year. Also, shout out to Mr. Curry for receiving the Principal of the year award.

### 6.2. Continuous School Improvement

No current updates.

### 6.3. Board Reports

Facilities - Lowell walked through the boiler replacement with Ben Stuhr and what the bids

entail. All bids exclude electrical work. The scoreboard work will start on June 17th. The locker room under the stage needs an access door in order to make it a tornado shelter. The room has been cleaned out and will be painted. The District's house will be open again as a rental. Guidelines for what the house will be used for should be considered.

Transportation - Committee to meet with Trevor VanDeWalle

#### 6.4. Superintendent Report

Two custodial positions are open. I have reached out to Service Master in Columbus, who will provide an offer for us at the end of next week. Per Legislation, staff training will be a resolution the board has to pass to determine how much training is required. We serve 7,703 lunches and 15,818 breakfasts at the reimbursable rate, which is on average for what we have done in the past.

#### 6.5. Principal & AD Reports

Larsen- Handbooks are ready, some clerical changes have been made. Cardinal time will be moved to the end of the day. Thanks for the support. Overall, it was a successful school year! We are already looking to the planning process for next year and getting things ready to go!

Curry- The Principals have gone through the handbook, there are no major changes. The middle school and high school bell schedules will now be on the same schedule. No big curriculum purchases this year. We have had some increase in numbers, so a few items will be ordered to accommodate. A multicultural report must be presented every year. Teachers submit their teachings on this.

#### 7. Discussion of Action Agenda Items

9.1 Five new surveillance cameras will be installed to close the gap between areas that lack surveillance. A safety and security grant that will assist with the costs.

9.2 The electrical work is excluded from the boiler replacement bids. Merit Mechanical is the low bid. They can also replace the leaky valves. Two boilers will replace the current one boiler.

9.3 The school vehicles will be relocated to the east parking lot across from the Middle School. Dirt work will level the parking lot in an effort to drain the current water problem.

9.4 Boone Central is one of the lower paying schools in the area.

9.5. Unexcused absences are now included with tardies when it comes to serving detentions. Students are now able to option in more than once.

9.7 No increase to lunch prices for students. Adult prices will be adjusted in July.

9.8 Lost card fee increased to equal the amount the District pays per card. The broken screen fee increased due to the increased repair cost for the District.

9.11 The Policy Committee recommends the whole board reads some of the policies. To be tabled to give the Board more time to read through the policies.

#### 8. Public Comment

The long-term substitute pay should be paid at the long-term sub rate from day one. \$145 per day is not even \$20 per day for an 8 hour day. The sub is typically called on very short notice. Angie Zoucha, as the sub caller, does a great job. Usually, plans are laid out well, but there are times when a sub comes in and nothing is laid out. Most subs have a masters' degree and are underpaid. Subbing for different grade levels varies greatly and is not comparable.

## 9. Action Items

### 9.1. Surveillance Cameras

Motion to approve the purchase of five new surveillance cameras to be purchased through and installed by Applied Connective Technologies for the amount of \$9,394.72. This motion, made by Kathleen Rolf and seconded by Karrie Fogleman, Passed.

Ed Knott: Abstain (With Conflict), Karrie Fogleman: Yea, Justin Frey: Yea, Andy Roberts: Yea, Kathleen Rolf: Yea

Yea: 4, Nay: 0, Abstain (With Conflict): 1

### 9.2. Boiler Replacement

Motion to approve the purchase of a new boiler through Merit Mechanical for the amount of \$53,973. This motion, made by Justin Frey and seconded by Ed Knott, Passed.

Karrie Fogleman: Yea, Justin Frey: Yea, Ed Knott: Yea, Andy Roberts: Yea, Kathleen Rolf: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

### 9.3. South Parking Lot Dirtwork

Motion to table dirt work and rock to be completed in the south parking lot. This motion, made by Justin Frey and seconded by Kathleen Rolf, Tabled.

Karrie Fogleman: Yea, Justin Frey: Yea, Ed Knott: Yea, Andy Roberts: Yea, Kathleen Rolf: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

### 9.4. 2024-25 Substitute Pay

Motion to approve the 2024-25 Substitute Pay of \$145 per day. This motion, made by Andy Roberts and seconded by Ed Knott, Passed.

Karrie Fogleman: Yea, Justin Frey: Yea, Ed Knott: Yea, Andy Roberts: Yea, Kathleen Rolf: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

### 9.5. 2024-25 Student Handbook

Motion to approve the 2024-25 Student Handbook as presented. This motion, made by Ed Knott and seconded by Andy Roberts, Passed.

Karrie Fogleman: Yea, Justin Frey: Yea, Ed Knott: Yea, Andy Roberts: Yea, Kathleen Rolf: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

### 9.6. 2024-25 Milk Bid

Motion to approve the 2024-25 milk bid for Hyland Milk as presented. This motion, made by Andy Roberts and seconded by Justin Frey, Passed.

Karrie Fogleman: Yea, Justin Frey: Yea, Ed Knott: Yea, Andy Roberts: Yea, Kathleen Rolf: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

9.7. 2024-25 Hot Lunch Rates

Motion to approve the 2024-25 hot lunch breakfast and lunch rates as presented. This motion, made by Ed Knott and seconded by Andy Roberts, Passed.

Karrie Fogleman: Yea, Justin Frey: Yea, Ed Knott: Yea, Andy Roberts: Yea, Kathleen Rolf: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

9.8. 2024-25 Technology & Internet Policy Handbook

Motion to approve the 2024-25 Technology & Internet Policy Handbook as presented. This motion, made by Karrie Fogleman and seconded by Justin Frey, Passed.

Karrie Fogleman: Yea, Justin Frey: Yea, Ed Knott: Yea, Andy Roberts: Yea, Kathleen Rolf: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

9.9. Student Fees Policy

Motion to approve the Student Fees Policy 5045 as presented. This motion, made by Andy Roberts and seconded by Justin Frey, Passed.

Karrie Fogleman: Yea, Justin Frey: Yea, Ed Knott: Yea, Andy Roberts: Yea, Kathleen Rolf: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

9.10. Parental Involvement Policy

Motion to approve the Parental Involvement Policies 5018 & 5057 as presented. This motion, made by Andy Roberts and seconded by Ed Knott, Passed.

Karrie Fogleman: Yea, Justin Frey: Yea, Ed Knott: Yea, Andy Roberts: Yea, Kathleen Rolf: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

9.11. Updated Policies

Motion to table the updated Policies 2006, 2008, 2009, 3003.1, 3004.1, 3011, 3017, 3032, 3033, 3053, 3059, 4011, 4053, 5001, 5004, 5005, 5008, 5035, 5049, 5052, 6025, 6031, & 6036. This motion, made by Andy Roberts and seconded by Karrie Fogleman, Tabled.

Karrie Fogleman: Yea, Justin Frey: Yea, Ed Knott: Yea, Andy Roberts: Yea, Kathleen Rolf: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

9.12. State and Federal Funds Authorization

Motion to approve Dr. Damon McDonald as Interim Superintendent to administer and receive all state and federal funds for Boone Central Schools. This motion, made by Ed Knott and seconded by Justin Frey, Passed.

Karrie Fogleman: Yea, Justin Frey: Yea, Ed Knott: Yea, Andy Roberts: Yea, Kathleen Rolf: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

9.13. Purchasing Agent

Motion to authorize Dr. Damon McDonald as Interim Superintendent to serve as the

purchasing agent for Boone Central School District. This motion, made by Justin Frey and seconded by Andy Roberts, Passed.

Karrie Fogleman: Yea, Justin Frey: Yea, Ed Knott: Yea, Andy Roberts: Yea, Kathleen Rolf: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

9.14. Cornerstone Bank Authorizations for Damon McDonald

Motion to approve Interim Superintendent Damon McDonald as an authorized signer at Cornerstone Bank, and to remove Jeff Schwartz on the following accounts: -323160 Petty Cash -323179 General Fund -323187 Building Fund -323225 Hot Lunch Fund -400025 Depreciation Fund -669705 Bond Fund -210302 Safety Deposit Box. This motion, made by Andy Roberts and seconded by Ed Knott, Passed.

Karrie Fogleman: Yea, Justin Frey: Yea, Ed Knott: Yea, Andy Roberts: Yea, Kathleen Rolf: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

9.15. Boone County Bank Authorizations for Damon McDonald

Motion to approve Interim Superintendent Damon McDonald as an authorized signer on all Boone County Bank accounts, and to remove Jeff Schwartz from all Boone County Bank accounts. This motion, made by Andy Roberts and seconded by Justin Frey, Passed.

Karrie Fogleman: Yea, Justin Frey: Yea, Ed Knott: Yea, Andy Roberts: Yea, Kathleen Rolf: Yea

Yea: 5, Nay: 0

10. Next Meeting Date

July 15th at 6:30 am

11. Questions by the Media

12. Adjournment

Adjourned 8:03 am.

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Chairperson

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Superintendent

## **Regular Board of Education Meeting**

Monday, May 13, 2024 7:30 PM

Boone Central High School Art Room  
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1. Open the Meeting, Recognition of Open Meetings Law and Publication of Meeting  
Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication to the public and to all members of the Board of Education. The Open Meetings Act is here and available for review. Motion to approve the meeting open and properly posted by advance notice. This motion, made by Ben Stuhr and seconded by Justin Frey, Passed.

Karrie Fogleman: Yea, Justin Frey: Yea, Ed Knott: Yea, Andy Roberts: Yea, Kathleen Rolf: Yea, Ben Stuhr: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication to the public and to all members of the Board of Education. Availability of the agenda was communicated in advance. The Open Meetings Act was available for review.

2. Roll Call

3. Agenda and Minutes

4. Welcome Guests

5. Bill Roster and Financial Reports

Motion to approve the Applied Connective bill, and to authorize the Board Vice President and Treasurer to sign and validate the check as presented. This motion, made by Andy Roberts and seconded by Justin Frey, Passed.

Ed Knott: Abstain (With Conflict), Karrie Fogleman: Yea, Justin Frey: Yea, Andy Roberts: Yea, Kathleen Rolf: Yea, Ben Stuhr: Yea  
Yea: 5, Nay: 0, Abstain (With Conflict): 1

Motion to approve the bills, and to authorize the Board President and Treasurer to sign and validate all the checks as presented. This motion, made by Andy Roberts and seconded by Ben Stuhr, Passed.

Karrie Fogleman: Yea, Justin Frey: Yea, Ed Knott: Yea, Andy Roberts: Yea, Kathleen Rolf: Yea, Ben Stuhr: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

6. Reports

6.1. EL Program Update - Tammy Gonzalez

Tammy Gonzalez discussed the EL program Boone Central offers to our families as it pertains to Rule 15. The district uses the ELPA21 screener to test the student's proficiency to determine the level of EL each student needs. Two BC students have tested proficient this year.

## 6.2. Close Up Trip Update - Cassie Olson

Cassie Olson and junior Hannah Krohn presented the experiences of the 2024 Close Up trip.

## 6.3. Boone Central Recognitions

Knott- The Boone Central students and the 2024 graduating class. It was fun to watch the students juggle all of their activities. They have a great work ethic. Shout out to all Boone Central students.

Roberts- The volunteers for the District Track meet. It was a success due to the amount of people who helped out. In addition, the Teammates banquet was really impressive. The involvement of the school in that program is wonderful and reinforces what we have been able to do with the Teammates program.

Frey- Maureen Thome for all her efforts with the Elementary spring concert, it was a great show.

Stuhr- Maureen Thome for all her efforts with the Elementary spring concert, she did a wonderful job.

Fogleman- I would like to thank all the staff who help us host great events. We were able to host both Conference and District Track this year and that is not possible without great staff to help.

Rolf- Maureen Thome for all her efforts with the Elementary spring concert, it was very entertaining.

Schwartz- Graduation went well, it takes a lot for that to take place. Our students are wonderful, they are a great group who our younger students look up to. The number of scholarships and awards speak volumes for the class of 2024.

Larsen-Mrs. Jeanette Zwiener for all she has done for our district! She came to Boone Central in 1995 and has served our school and community for 29 years. Over the course of this time, she has served as Varsity Volleyball Coach, MS Volleyball Coach, Quiz Bowl Sponsor, Mentor for New Teachers, been on School Improvement Committee, started the Boone Central Teammates Chapter in our district, and has been a role model for others in the profession in addition to supporting Boone Central Schools. Over the course of her tenure, she has influenced the lives of countless individuals and offered high quality Math instruction. I have appreciated the opportunity to work with Mrs. Zwiener while I have been here at Boone Central and am going to miss her kind personality, her wisdom and expertise, as well as her dedication to serving our students and promoting Boone Central!

Curry- Mrs. Wright and Mrs. Paulson for the work they did for the middle school concert. They do a phenomenal job with the students, the band and choir sounded great. Also shout out to Mrs. Gonzalez for the great job she does with our EL program and making it work so well with the families.

Kayton- Maureen Thome and Andy Imus. Maureen spent countless hours preparing to bring the



Circus to town! It was a huge hit and the children loved every second of it! Andy worked hard in planning and prepping for Track and Field Day. The kids had a blast and it is something they'll remember for a long time.

Perone- BC Club leadership team, especially the seniors. They set the tone behind closed doors, they are a special group. They have set a culture and have a fabulous job with real-life topics and with their involvement.

#### 6.4. Continuous School Improvement

Mrs. Kayton discussed that the next step is to meet with all teachers who teach math to define number sense to identify the end goal.

#### 6.5. Board Reports

AEF - Mr. Larsen will be stepping in as the administrative advisor for 2024-25, to take over Mr. Schwartz's position. Some national funding was approved. The Affidavit for the ONP Deed was delivered to file the name change of Albion Public Schools Foundation to Albion Education Foundation to avoid questions about ownership of property if Prairie Plains Institute no longer exists. Olson Wolf loan is open for applications.

The ball is rolling on the local beef program, which will be implemented next school year.

#### 6.6. Superintendent Report

Mr. Schwartz - Two custodial positions are open. We are exploring the possibility of using Service Master to outsource some custodial duties. The district received \$2,000 in a security grant, funds will be used for a security camera system. Legislative update - LB71 allows students to be enrolled in preschool at age 5 by July 31st, the District will need to create a policy. The facilities improvement preliminary audit is complete and will be reviewed for possible updates.

#### 6.7. Principal & AD Reports

Larsen- Thanks to board members who were able to participate and attend graduation. Testing is complete. Career Academy Showcase and Career Fair was successful. Mrs. Eickhoff had a large hand in planning and executing this. Rylee Seim from the Columbus Area Chamber of Commerce was also a good partner (Mock Interviews). reVISION Action Grant - We did receive preliminary indication that we are going to be recipients of the full amount we requested in the grant application (\$36,037). Will get official notification around June 7th. Supporting our STS department as well as Health Sciences Department (CNA). Will plan to meet and update handbooks potentially with revisions to suggest by next month's board meeting.

Kayton- We had 15 elementary students score in the top 95% nationwide in the areas of math or reading. These students will be recognized on Wednesday during our Rockin' Rally! Class lists and supply lists are being finalized. Supply lists for next year will be sent home in report cards. Postcards will be sent to students mid June announcing their teacher for the upcoming school year. Preschool letters have been sent home. We are full at 38 students leaving one open spot per section for potential special education students. There are 6 kids on the waitlist at this time. Book Blast was a huge success in the elementary. Each student received 8-10 books and many teachers received "shopping spree" money! We handed out just over 1,800 books!

Perone - Scorevision project is in the works, three partners have made commitments. A site visit took place a couple weeks ago, at that time a walkthrough took place with discussions regarding location, etc. Applied Connective helped determine what will be needed in order for a successful setup. The Booster Club will help assist with those setup costs. Target for install is late June, which will be a three day process. Lots of stakeholders are involved for the success of this project. We have hosted a lot of events, lots of stakeholders to make this all happen. Our location, facilities and people continue to draw these NSAA hosted events. Thank you to all who helped chip in.

Curry - There is now a book vending machine located in the middle school, thanks to a grant written on behalf of Teammates. We were one of 15 who received this grant. Scholastic books will fill the machine. The vending machine will provide students a book on their birthday.

#### 7. Discussion of Action Agenda Items

SEL curriculum (Positive Action) - We have \$10,000 of grant funding to go toward the SEL curriculum, which aligns well with programs we already have in place, such as PBIS. This is age appropriate curriculum, based on character building and life skills.

Staff computers to be funded by REAP funding.

Roofing repairs have been paid for by insurance from a 2022 hail storm.

Parking lot issues may be able to be resolved with an alternative option, other than concrete. The water runoff issue needs to be identified in order to make a decision on how to proceed.

#### 8. Public Comment

Stacy Gragert - Shout out to Tammy Gonzalez for helping with parent-teacher conferences, she is a key player in those conversations.

#### 9. Action Items

##### 9.1. SEL Curriculum

Motion to approve the new SEL Curriculum from Positive Action for \$4,584. This motion, made by Karrie Fogleman and seconded by Ed Knott, Passed.

Karrie Fogleman: Yea, Justin Frey: Yea, Ed Knott: Yea, Andy Roberts: Yea, Kathleen Rolf: Yea, Ben Stuhr: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

##### 9.2. 2024-25 Interim Superintendent Contract

Motion to approve the 2024-25 Interim Superintendent Contract for Dr. Damon McDonald. This motion, made by Andy Roberts and seconded by Justin Frey, Passed.

Karrie Fogleman: Yea, Justin Frey: Yea, Ed Knott: Yea, Andy Roberts: Yea, Kathleen Rolf: Yea, Ben Stuhr: Yea

Yea: 6, Nay: 0

##### 9.3. New Staff Computers

Motion to approve the purchase of 15 new staff macbook computers from Apple for \$18,285. This motion, made by Ed Knott and seconded by Ben Stuhr, Passed.

Karrie Fogleman: Yea, Justin Frey: Yea, Ed Knott: Yea, Andy Roberts: Yea, Kathleen Rolf:

Yea, Ben Stuhr: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

#### 9.4. Roof Project

Motion to approve the roofing project for the playground garage and the old football field concession stand from Majerus Roofing and Construction for \$10,500. This motion, made by Andy Roberts and seconded by Kathleen Rolf, Passed.

Karrie Fogleman: Yea, Justin Frey: Yea, Ed Knott: Yea, Andy Roberts: Yea, Kathleen Rolf: Yea, Ben Stuhr: Yea  
Yea: 6, Nay: 0

#### 9.5. Concrete Parking Lot

No motion taken on this action item, the Board will move forward in an alternative direction and will not consider concreting this parking lot at this time,

#### 10. Next Meeting Date

June 10th at 6:30 am.

#### 11. Questions by the Media

#### 12. Adjournment

Adjourned 9:30 pm

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Chairperson

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Superintendent