

# Board of Education Regular Meeting

Monday, February 6, 2023 7:00 PM

Public School Library

506 W. 9th Street

Dorchester, NE 68343-0007

Notice of the time and place of the Dorchester Board of Education meeting was published in a newspaper of general circulation within the district. Newspapers of general circulation in the district include, but are not necessarily limited to, the Crete News, the Lincoln Journal Star, or the Omaha World-Herald. Notice is also posted in at least three prominent places within the school district which may include the following: Dorchester Public Schools, Farmers Coop, First State Bank, and the Village Office. Individual board members received in advance the meeting agenda and meeting materials. Pursuant to Section 84-1412 of the Nebraska Statutes, the public is hereby informed that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted in the Board meeting boardroom.

Matthew Hansen: Present

Mike Hatfield: Present

Shelly Lehr: Present

Carol Schnell: Present

Kelli Schweitzer: Present

Steve Vyhnalek: Present

## 1. Call to Order and Announce Open Meetings Act Verification

The February regular board meeting was called to order at 7:00pm by President Steve Vyhnalek with all board members in attendance. President Vyhnalek confirmed the advance notice to the public of the meeting and agenda. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

## 2. Roll Call

Also present are Superintendent Daryl Schrunk, Principal Jake Wiese and Linda Woolsey.

## 3. Receive Visitors and Announce Open Forum for Public Comment

No visitors present.

## 4. Request for Change of Agenda

No request for change of agenda.

## 5. Approval of the Minutes of the Last Meeting(s)

Motion to approve the reading of the last meeting minutes Passed with a motion by Kelli Schweitzer and a second by Mike Hatfield.

Matthew Hansen: Yea, Mike Hatfield: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Kelli Schweitzer: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

## 6. Financial Report

Motion to approve the financial report Passed with a motion by Shelly Lehr and a second by Carol Schnell.

Matthew Hansen: Yea, Mike Hatfield: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Kelli Schweitzer: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

Mr. Schrunk presented the financial information for the month of January.

## 7. Reports

## 7.1. Principal's Report

Mr. Wiese shared recent and upcoming topics for our 2:00 releases for professional development. Teachers and administration have worked with the results of our K-6 Reading/Math Data. Doane has offered up to 15 credit hours in a dual-credit program, which includes a new educator pathway. The MTSS Leadership Team met at school and a Digital Learning Day was held at ESU6 on January 30th. Mr. Wiese attended the ESU6 Principal Network on February 2nd. Longhorn Line-Up partnered with Saline County Aging Services by making Valentines for area seniors. Upcoming events are: Parent Teacher Conferences on 2/9, CRC Quiz Bowl on 2/15, Annual Health Screenings on 2/16, Blue River Cohort JH Science Olympiad on 2/20, Spring Practices starts on 2/27 and the 3rd quarter ends on 3/8. The Senior Class trip is tentatively set for March 7-10.

## 7.2. Superintendent's Report

Mr. Schrunk shared Legislative Updates. Mr. Schrunk is waiting for the 2023-24 State Aid Model. He will be attending the NRCSA Legislative Forum in Lincoln on February 16th.

## 8. Discussion Items

### 8.1. Review Board of Education Policies #5002-5010.

Mr. Schrunk reviewed policies #5002-Admission of Students; #5003-Admission of Part-Time Students; #5005-Option Enrollment Transportation; #5006-Foreign Exchange Students; #5007-Expelled Students; #5008-Pregnant or Parenting Students; #5009-Adult Education; and #5010-Immunizations. There are no recommended changes.

## 9. Action Items

### 9.1. Consider Approving the School District's Implementation of Multicultural Education Throughout the Curriculum.

Motion to approve the school district's implementation of multicultural education within classrooms  
Passed with a motion by Kelli Schweitzer and a second by Shelly Lehr.

Matthew Hansen: Yea, Mike Hatfield: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Kelli Schweitzer: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

Mr. Wiese presented the Multicultural Education topics taught at Dorchester School grades PK-12. Each teacher adds their multicultural materials and subjects to a Google Doc for the year.

### 9.2. Consider approving revisions to Board Policy #6005-Academic Credit.

Motion to accept the revisions to Board Policy #6005-Academic Credit to 40 hours ELA and 5 hours Speech and to include Personal Finance requirement Passed with a motion by Carol Schnell and a second by Mike Hatfield.

Matthew Hansen: Yea, Mike Hatfield: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Kelli Schweitzer: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

Mr. Wiese reviewed the changes to Policy #6005-Academic Credit. The Personal Finance requirement takes effect for the graduating class of 2024 per Nebraska Statute. Mr. Wiese and Mrs. Choyeski compared several schools' requirements for English Language Arts. Currently, we have 35 credit hours of ELA plus speech. Mr. Wiese suggested changing to 40 credit hours of ELA and 5 credit hours of speech.

### 9.3. Determine the Availability of the 2023-2024 Special Education Program and English Learners for Option Enrollment Students.

Motion to declare 2023-2024 Special Education and English Learner programs closed for option enrollment students due to the fact that the current staff and facilities are not sufficient enough to

accommodate additional option enrollment students Passed with a motion by Matthew Hansen and a second by Carol Schnell.

Matthew Hansen: Yea, Mike Hatfield: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Kelli Schweitzer: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

Mr. Schrunk reviewed our Policy #5004-Option Enrollment and Policy #5004.1-Option Enrollment Resolution to determine the availability for 2023-2024 option students.

9.4. Consider approving resignation(s).

Motion to approve resignation of Linda Woolsey with regrets from the Board Passed with a motion by Kelli Schweitzer and a second by Carol Schnell.

Matthew Hansen: Yea, Mike Hatfield: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Kelli Schweitzer: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

9.5. Consider approving contract(s).

No contracts at this time.

9.6. Consider approving a bid for carpet replacement in elementary rooms.

Motion to accept the bid for J&J Kinetex carpet tiles in the 4th, 5th and 6th grade rooms from Midwest Floor Covering Passed with a motion by Matthew Hansen and a second by Mike Hatfield.

Matthew Hansen: Yea, Mike Hatfield: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Kelli Schweitzer: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

Mr. Schrunk presented the bid to replace the carpeting in classrooms for grades 4, 5 and 6 with carpet tiles from Midwest Floor Covering.

9.7. Consider approving the bid to build a new Pressbox for the football field.

Motion to approve the bid to build a new Pressbox for the football field with changes of 36" walk-in door, insulated aluminum garage door, double paned windows and vinyl trim and not to exceed 10% overage for changes Passed with a motion by Kelli Schweitzer and a second by Mike Hatfield.

Matthew Hansen: Yea, Mike Hatfield: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Kelli Schweitzer: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

Mr. Schrunk provided the bid from BZ Construction. The Board requests a 36" walk-in door, double paned windows, vinyl trim and an insulated aluminum garage door.

9.8. Consider the contract and salary for Principal.

Motion to move into closed session at 8:45pm Passed with a motion by Matthew Hansen and a second by Mike Hatfield.

Matthew Hansen: Yea, Mike Hatfield: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Kelli Schweitzer: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

Motion to move out of closed session at 9:14pm Passed with a motion by Carol Schnell and a second by Shelly Lehr.

Matthew Hansen: Yea, Mike Hatfield: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Kelli Schweitzer: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

Motion to approve the contract and salary increase of 3.78% for Principal Wiese Passed with a motion by Carol Schnell and a second by Mike Hatfield.

Matthew Hansen: Yea, Mike Hatfield: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Kelli Schweitzer: Yea, Steve Vyhnalek: Yea

It was decided to move into closed session for the discussion of the Principal's salary. The decision to move to closed session was based on personnel and the evaluation of job performance clearly necessary for the protection of the public interest or for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual in compliance with the law.

10. Board Committee Report(s)

No board reports.

11. Closed Session (as necessary per statute)

Closed session not necessary at this time.

12. Establish Future Board of Education Meeting Date(s) and Time(s)

The next scheduled board meeting is Monday, March 6th at 7:00pm. A Board Retreat will be held on Monday, February 27th at 7:00 pm. Dr. Cogswell will be joining the retreat meeting.

13. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn at 9:20pm Passed with a motion by Carol Schnell and a second by Matthew Hansen.  
Matthew Hansen: Yea, Mike Hatfield: Yea, Shelly Lehr: Yea, Carol Schnell: Yea, Kelli Schweitzer: Yea,  
Steve Vyhnaek: Yea

Carol Schnell?(s) Carol Schnell, Secretary of the Board of Education