

**ESU #1 Board Meeting
Tuesday, February 8, 2022**

A meeting of the ESU #1 Board of Directors convened in open and public session on Tuesday, February 8, 2022, at 5:30 PM, via videoconferencing. **Present:** AJ Johnson, Lana Oswald, Sally Reinert, Benjamin Schultz, Helen Sorensen, Susan Strahm, **Absent:** Traci Haglund, Tucker Hight, Shannon Johnson, Grant Torpin, Josh Weber.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication and/or posting, as shown below, 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 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.

Published and/or Posted Locations:

- Wayne Herald (Thursday before meeting date)
- Central Office Front Door (Friday before meeting date)
- Sparq (Friday before meeting date)

A. Notification of Open Meetings Law

At the beginning of this meeting, President AJ Johnson announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is available at the meeting site and included electronically in the E-Meeting agenda.

B. Roll Call*

Motion by Sally Reinert, seconded by Lana Oswald, to excuse the absence of members: Traci Haglund, Tucker Hight, Shannon Johnson, Grant Torpin and Josh Weber. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Motion Carried:

Traci Haglund: Absent, Tucker Hight: Absent, Shannon Johnson: Absent, Grant Torpin: Absent, Josh Weber: Absent, AJ Johnson: For, Lana Oswald: For, Sally Reinert: For, Benjamin Schultz: For, Helen Sorensen: For, Susan Strahm: For
For: 6, Against: 0, Absent: 5

C. Consent Agenda*

Motion by Lana Oswald, seconded by Susan Strahm, to approve all items on the consent agenda as provided (January 11 Minutes, January Financial Reports, February bills of \$886,946.41 and the Administrator's report. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Motion Carried:

Traci Haglund: Absent, Tucker Hight: Absent, Shannon Johnson: Absent, Grant Torpin: Absent, Josh Weber: Absent, AJ Johnson: For, Lana Oswald: For, Sally Reinert: For, Benjamin Schultz: For, Helen Sorensen: For, Susan Strahm: For
For: 6, Against: 0, Absent: 5

C.1. Previous Minutes (copy attached)

C.2. Financial Reports

C.2.a. Revenue Report/Treasurer's Report

C.2.b. Cash Summary/Expenditure Report

C.3. Bills for February

C.4. Administrator's Monthly Report

C.4.a. ESU #1 All-Staff Day

ESU #1 All-Staff Day will be held on February 10 at Wayne State College. The agenda includes recognition of the Employee of the Year, a Motivational Speaker, technology training, and department meetings.

C.4.b. ESU #1 Quarterly Superintendent and Principal Meeting

Quarterly Principal and Superintendent Meetings were held in January at ESU #1.

C.4.c. ESUCC Meeting Update

The February Coordinating Council meeting was held in Columbus at ESU# 7. Some of the discussion was about how ESUCC was able to enhance digital access for students by purchasing computers and tablets through NDE funding.

The March ESUCC meeting will be held in Wakefield at ESU #1.

C.4.d. Legislative Update

Administrator Heimann attended the NASB (Nebraska School Board's Association) Legislative Issues Conference in Lincoln on January 31. Several senators talked about legislation and priorities for the session.

C.4.e. Certificated Staff Contract Renewal

Certificated staff contract renewal forms will be sent on Feb. 22 and are required to be returned on March 15. This process is important to ensure there is sufficient personnel to serve our school districts.

C.4.f. Applications for Open Positions

Applications for the Teaching and Learning Team will be accepted until February 22 and interviews are expected to occur the first week of March. The Technology - School District support position will remain open until filled.

D. Public Comment

E. ESU #1 Board Election Districts

The Secretary of State's Office has provided direction regarding the election district changes in ESU #1.

F. Nebraska Association of School Boards Membership*

Motion by Sally Reinert, seconded by Helen Sorensen, to approve the renewal of ESU 1's NASB membership before April 2022. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Motion Carried:

Traci Haglund: Absent, Tucker Hight: Absent, Shannon Johnson: Absent, Grant Torpin: Absent, Josh Weber: Absent, AJ Johnson: For, Lana Oswald: For, Sally Reinert: For, Benjamin Schultz: For, Helen Sorensen: For, Susan Strahm: For
For: 6, Against: 0, Absent: 5

G. Tower School Facility Project Proposal

During a recent conversation with Otte Construction, Administrator Heimann was informed they would not have a proposal due to being awarded several commercial construction contracts. The earliest they could do the work at Tower School would be late fall 2022.

H. Personnel*

H.1. Compensation for 2022-23 Contract Year Specialty, Licensed, Professional staff

Motion by Benjamin Schultz, seconded by Lana Oswald, to approve the compensation effective for the 2022-23 contract year as presented for professional staff, specialty staff, and licensed staff. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Motion Carried:

Traci Haglund: Absent, Tucker Hight: Absent, Shannon Johnson: Absent, Grant Torpin: Absent, Josh Weber: Absent, AJ Johnson: For, Lana Oswald: For, Sally Reinert: For, Benjamin Schultz: For, Helen Sorensen: For, Susan Strahm: For
For: 6, Against: 0, Absent: 5

H.2. Consider, discuss, and take necessary action on employee contracts and personnel changes.

H.2.a. Resignation(s)

H.2.b. New Hire(s)

Tower Paraeducators:

Jailynn Story, part-time, beginning February 8th

Sidney Lamp, full-time, beginning February 14th

H.2.c. Contract Change(s)

H.2.d. Termination(s)

I. Adjournment

As there were no additional Agenda items, President AJ Johnson adjourned the meeting at 6:08 p.m.

Brittney Hampl, Recording Secretary

Helen Sorensen, Board Secretary