

**ESU #1 Board Meeting
Tuesday, January 9, 2024**

A meeting of the ESU 01 Board of Directors convened in open and public session on Tuesday, January 9, 2024, at 5:30 PM, at ESU #1. **Present:** Josiah Boneschans, Jim Gunsolley, Mr. Tucker Hight, AJ Johnson, Shannon Johnson, Sally Reinert, Julie Schamp, **Absent:** Tabitha Gilsdorf, Traci Haglund, Susan Strahm. **Present:** Susan Strahm.

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 the 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*

Susan Strahm arrived at 5:35 p.m.

Motion by Sally Reinert, seconded by Julie Schamp, to excuse the absence of Tabitha Gilsdorf, Traci Haglund and Susan Strahm. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Motion Carried:

Tabitha Gilsdorf: Absent, Traci Haglund: Absent, Susan Strahm: Absent, Josiah Boneschans: For, Jim Gunsolley: For, Mr. Tucker Hight: For, AJ Johnson: For, Shannon Johnson: For, Sally Reinert: For, Julie Schamp: For
For: 7, Against: 0, Absent: 3

C. Board Re-Organization

Motion by Sally Reinert, seconded by Jim Gunsolley, to nominate AJ Johnson to serve as Board President After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Motion Carried:

Tabitha Gilsdorf: Absent, Traci Haglund: Absent, Susan Strahm: Absent, Josiah Boneschans: For, Jim Gunsolley: For, Mr. Tucker Hight: For, AJ Johnson: For, Shannon Johnson: For, Sally

Reinert: For, Julie Schamp: For

For: 7, Against: 0, Absent: 3

Motion by AJ Johnson, seconded by Jim Gunsolley, to nominate Sally Reinert to serve as Board Vice-President. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Motion Carried:

Tabitha Gilsdorf: Absent, Traci Haglund: Absent, Josiah Boneschans: For, Jim Gunsolley: For, Mr. Tucker Hight: For, AJ Johnson: For, Shannon Johnson: For, Sally Reinert: For, Julie Schamp: For, Susan Strahm: For

For: 8, Against: 0, Absent: 2

Motion by Josiah Boneschans, seconded by Shannon Johnson, to nominate Susan Strahm to serve as Board Secretary. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Motion Carried:

Tabitha Gilsdorf: Absent, Traci Haglund: Absent, Josiah Boneschans: For, Jim Gunsolley: For, Mr. Tucker Hight: For, AJ Johnson: For, Shannon Johnson: For, Sally Reinert: For, Julie Schamp: For, Susan Strahm: For

For: 8, Against: 0, Absent: 2

D. Consent Agenda*

Motion by Sally Reinert, seconded by Jim Gunsolley, to approve all items on the consent agenda as provided (December 12 Minutes, December Financial Reports, January bills of \$998,425.52 plus upto \$15,000, and the Administrator's Report). After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Motion Carried:

Tabitha Gilsdorf: Absent, Traci Haglund: Absent, Susan Strahm: Absent, Josiah Boneschans: For, Jim Gunsolley: For, Mr. Tucker Hight: For, AJ Johnson: For, Shannon Johnson: For, Sally Reinert: For, Julie Schamp: For

For: 7, Against: 0, Absent: 3

D.1. Previous Minutes (copy attached)

D.2. Financial Reports*

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

D.2.b. Cash Summary/Expenditure Report

D.3. Bills for January

D.4. Administrator's Monthly Report

D.4.a. Remodeling Project Update

Administrator Heimann shared a facility project update.

D.4.b. Legislative Update

Administrator Heimann shared a legislative update.

D.4.c. ESU Services for Non-Public Schools

Administrator Heimann shared a handout summarizing services provided by ESU's.

D.4.d. Teacher Shortage Report

Administrator Heimann shared a teacher vacancy summary report.

E. Public Comment

A member of the public addressed the Board.

F. Board Member Code of Ethics

Motion by Mr. Tucker Hight, seconded by Susan Strahm, to reaffirm the ESU 1 Board member Code of Ethics. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Motion Carried:

Tabitha Gilsdorf: Absent, Traci Haglund: Absent, Susan Strahm: Absent, Josiah Boneschans: For, Jim Gunsolley: For, Mr. Tucker Hight: For, AJ Johnson: For, Shannon Johnson: For, Sally Reinert: For, Julie Schamp: For
For: 7, Against: 0, Absent: 3

G. ESU 1 Board Committees

The ESU 1 Board committee structure for 2024 did not change from the prior year. The three committees are: Building & Grounds, Finance/Personnel, and Policy/Legislative.

H. Position Appointments

Motion by Josiah Boneschans, seconded by Susan Strahm, to approve Stuart Clark as Treasurer and compensated \$1 annually, Brittney Hampl or designee as Recording Secretary at \$75 per meeting, Attorney of Record Perry, Guthery, Haase, Gessford Law Firm, and designate BankFirst of Wakefield as primary depositor, and Security Bank in Allen and State Nebraska Bank and Trust in Wayne as designated banks. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Motion Carried:

Tabitha Gilsdorf: Absent, Traci Haglund: Absent, Josiah Boneschans: For, Jim Gunsolley: For, Mr. Tucker Hight: For, AJ Johnson: For, Shannon Johnson: For, Sally Reinert: For, Julie Schamp: For, Susan Strahm: For
For: 8, Against: 0, Absent: 2

I. Designate Newspapers of Record

Motion by Julie Schamp, seconded by Shannon Johnson, to designate newspapers of record as Nebraska Journal Leader, Wayne Herald, Cedar County News, Dakota County Star, Pender Times, Knox County News, and the Wakefield Republican. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Motion Carried:

Tabitha Gilsdorf: Absent, Traci Haglund: Absent, Josiah Boneschans: For, Jim Gunsolley: For, Mr. Tucker Hight: For, AJ Johnson: For, Shannon Johnson: For, Sally Reinert: For, Julie Schamp: For, Susan Strahm: For
For: 8, Against: 0, Absent: 2

J. ESU1 Mileage Rate

Motion by Sally Reinert, seconded by Jim Gunsolley, to approve the ESU1 mileage rate at \$0.67, effective January 1, 2024. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Motion Carried:

Tabitha Gilsdorf: Absent, Traci Haglund: Absent, Josiah Boneschans: For, Jim Gunsolley: For, Mr. Tucker Hight: For, AJ Johnson: For, Shannon Johnson: For, Sally Reinert: For, Julie Schamp: For, Susan Strahm: For
For: 8, Against: 0, Absent: 2

K. ESU1 2022-23 Financial Audit*

Administrator Heimann shared a status update about the 2022-23 audit.

L. Personnel*

L.1. Consider, discuss, and take necessary action on employee contracts and personnel changes. Motion by Julie Schamp, seconded by Jim Gunsolley, to approve the Teaching and Learning Specialist, 220 day contracts effective August 1, 2024 for Tucker Hight and Jennifer Davis. After discussion and on roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Motion Carried:

Tabitha Gilsdorf: Absent, Traci Haglund: Absent, Mr. Tucker Hight: Abstain (With Conflict), Josiah Boneschans: For, Jim Gunsolley: For, AJ Johnson: For, Shannon Johnson: For, Sally Reinert: For, Julie Schamp: For, Susan Strahm: For
For: 7, Against: 0, Absent: 2, Abstain (With Conflict): 1

L.1.a. Resignation(s)

L.1.b. New Hire(s)

L.1.c. Contract Change(s)

L.1.d. Termination(s)

M. Adjournment

As there were no additional Agenda items, President AJ Johnson adjourned the meeting at 6:02 pm.

Brittney Hampl, Recording Secretary

Susan Strahm, Board Secretary