

Board of Education Minutes
Regular Meeting
March 8, 2010

The Board of Education of Chadron Public Schools was convened in Regular Session on March 8, 2010 by President Kuskie at 5:31 pm. Board members present: Mrs. Haynes, Mrs. Roes, Mrs. Nobiling, Mr. Drinkwalter, Mrs. Janssen, and Mr. Kuskie.

President Kuskie announced the posting of a complete copy of the Open Meetings Act on the west wall of the conference room next to the entrance.

10-03-01: Motion by Mrs. Roes, seconded by Mrs. Nobiling, to declare the meeting properly publicized with the media and open to the public. Voting Aye: Mrs. Haynes, Mrs. Roes, Mrs. Nobiling, Mr. Drinkwalter, Mrs. Janssen, and Mr. Kuskie. Motion carried.

President Kuskie welcomed visitors to the meeting.

10-03-02: Motion by Mr. Drinkwalter, seconded by Mrs. Janssen, to approve the Agenda of the Regular Meeting for March 8, 2010. Voting Aye: Mrs. Roes, Mrs. Nobiling, Mr. Drinkwalter, Mrs. Janssen, Mr. Kuskie, and Mrs. Haynes. Motion carried.

10-03-03: Motion by Mrs. Nobiling, seconded by Mrs. Roes, to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting for February 9, 2010 and the Special Board Meeting for February 16, 2010. Voting Aye: Mrs. Nobiling, Mr. Drinkwalter, Mr. Kuskie with abstention from the minutes for February 8, 2010, Mrs. Haynes, and Mrs. Roes. Mrs. Janssen abstained from approval of both minutes. Motion carried.

Award and/or Honors

Mr. Pope congratulated the following teams and students:

- 1) Wrestling team on their first place finish at the District tournament this year. He continued by congratulating Will Brown on his first place finish and Brandon Dehling on his fifth place at the State Wrestling Tournament.
- 2) The following students who qualified for the State Speech competition this year: Lane Chasek, Kiya Stack and Megan Kizer. He encouraged everyone to attend the Night of Forensics to be held on Monday, March 15 at 6:00 pm.
- 3) Boys Basketball Team on their qualifying for the State Tournament.
- 4) Will Brown for receiving an appointment to West Point.

Congratulations to everyone mentioned above.

The board recessed at 5:38 pm to relocate the meeting to a larger room in the high school to accommodate the visitors of the meeting.

President Kuskie reconvened the meeting at 5:50 pm.

The following people asked to speak on specific agenda items: Wind for Schools - Mark Stephens; Student Transfers – Jim O’Rourke, Ann Krejci, Steve Welch, Cheryl Welch, Rienna Young, Lucinda Mayes, Amy Jones, and Andy Spencer; Valedictorian Salutatorian Selection – Kristi Johnson; Anti-Bullying Policy – Rienna Young; Superintendent Selection – Bill Cibula; and Robin Bila on any agenda item.

Treasurer’s Report for February 2010:

Fund Description	Beginning Balance	Revenue	Expenditures	Other	Ending Balance
General Fund	2,669,515.86	724,724.55	989,036.48	(45.41)	2,405,158.52
Depreciation	1,122,992.51	-	-	-	1,122,992.51
Lunch Fund	17,581.81	29,307.35	27,885.00	-	19,004.16
Bond Fund	42,999.03	-	-	-	42,999.03
Special Building Fund	636,593.56	51.33	12,569.12	-	624,075.77
Cooperative Fund	-	17,079.00	17,079.00	-	-
TOTAL	4,489,682.77	771,162.23	1,046,569.60	(45.41)	4,214,229.99

10-03-04: Motion by the Finance Committee, seconded by Mrs. Nobiling, to approve the bills and claims from the General Fund in the amount of \$96,928.50, the Depreciation Fund in the amount of \$1,880.00, the Lunch Fund in the amount of \$32,409.73, and the Special Building Fund in the amount of \$41,670.86. Voting Aye: Mr. Drinkwalter with abstention from check numbers 59646 and 59648, Mrs. Janssen, Mr. Kuskie, Mrs. Haynes, Mrs. Roes with abstention from check number 59728, and Mrs. Nobiling. Motion carried.

10-03-05: Motion by the Finance Committee, seconded by Mr. Drinkwalter, to approve the claims from the Student Activity Fund in the amount of \$30,602.27. Voting Aye: Mrs. Janssen, Mr. Kuskie, Mrs. Haynes, Mrs. Roes with abstention from check numbers 11322, 11346, and 11372, Mrs. Nobiling, and Mr. Drinkwalter with abstention from check number 11307. Motion carried.

The Board of Education recognized the generous donation from Michele Rickenbach in the amount of \$4,000.00 in memory of her father, Julian Wolff. Mrs. Rickenbach specified that the money be given to the Speech Team, Boys Golf, Cross Country, and Cardinal Singers, equally.

Student Performance and Program Reports

A. Respective Principals' Building Reports – in light of the full agenda, the building principals will present their report next month.

B. Dan McGuire, NREL Nebraska Facilitator, gave a Wind for Schools presentation to the board and visitors of the meeting.

C. Board Committee Reports

Finance Committee – reported that they have approved the purchase of a new software program for the Lunch Program. Policy Committee – several policies are on the agenda for review. Building and Grounds Committee – core samples have been taken at the track and an Open House will be scheduled at the new Maintenance Facility for the public during the month of May. Personnel Committee – met with Paraprofessionals and Secretaries on March 1. Curriculum Committee – met to discuss the possible reorganization of Kenwood and East Ward.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Hirning reviewed the following: (a) State Aid Certification, (b) Re-configuring Grade Levels for Kenwood and East Ward, and (c) the process for requesting to transfer from one building to another within the district, policy revisions to Policies 5117-5117.4, and possible need to redraw attendance lines within the city limits.

The board held a first reading on Policy #5117.1 – Attendance at Attendance Centers; Assignment; Transfer Request.

New Business

10-03-06: Motion by Mr. Drinkwalter, seconded by Mrs. Janssen, to approve the 2010-11 High School Calendar and the 2010-11 K-8 Calendar as presented by Dr. Hirning. Voting Aye: Mr. Kuskie, Mrs. Haynes, Mrs. Roes, Mrs. Nobiling, Mr. Drinkwalter, and Mrs. Janssen. Motion carried.

10-03-07: Motion from the Policy Committee, seconded by Mrs. Roes, to approve Policy #5127.1 – Valedictorian Salutatorian Selection on second reading. Voting Aye: Mrs. Haynes, Mrs. Roes, Mrs. Nobiling, Mr. Drinkwalter, Mrs. Janssen, and Mr. Kuskie. Motion carried.

The Board of Education completed the first reading on Policy #5142.5 – Anti-Bullying.

10-03-08: Motion by Mrs. Nobiling, seconded by Mrs. Roes, to declare the 12 cubic foot Sears chest-type freezer at Whitney School as surplus. Voting Aye: Mrs. Roes, Mrs. Nobiling, Mr. Drinkwalter, Mrs. Janssen, Mr. Kuskie, and Mrs. Haynes. Motion carried.

10-03-09: Motion by Mrs. Roes, seconded by Mrs. Haynes, to recognize CTA as the Bargaining Unit for Non-supervisory Certified Personnel for 2010-11 Contracts. Voting Aye: Mrs. Nobiling, Mr. Drinkwalter, Mrs. Janssen, Mr. Kuskie, Mrs. Haynes, and Mrs. Roes. Motion carried.

10-03-10: Motion by Mrs. Haynes, seconded by Mrs. Roes, to recognize ESP Bargaining Unit II as the Bargaining Unit for Custodians, Maintenance, Groundskeeper, Vehicle Maintenance, and Bus Drivers for 2010-11 Contracts. Voting Aye: Mrs. Janssen, Mr. Kuskie, Mrs. Haynes, Mrs. Roes, and Mrs. Nobiling. Mr. Drinkwalter abstained. Motion carried, 5-0-1.

The Board of Education reviewed the results for the Female Athletic Participation Survey for Fall 2011 Sports. Discussion occurred regarding the viability of the softball program. The softball coop will continue for another year.

No action was taken on item 6.h. Potential Motion to Revise Transfer Request Form and City Attendance Boundary Lines.

10-03-11: Motion from Building and Grounds, seconded by Mrs. Janssen, to solicit bids for replacement of Football Visitors Bleachers. Voting Aye: Mrs. Janssen, Mr. Kuskie, Mrs. Haynes, Mrs. Roes, Mrs. Nobiling, and Mr. Drinkwalter. Motion carried.

Personnel

10-03-12: Motion by Mrs. Haynes, seconded by Mrs. Roes, to accept the letters of resignation, with regret, from Susan Vastine, High School English, Carol Foster, Prairie Home Teacher, Dr. Detwiler, Rural Principal, and Tess Thayer, Middle School Special Education Teacher at the end of the 2009-10 school year. Voting Aye: Mr. Kuskie, Mrs. Haynes, Mrs. Roes, Mrs. Nobiling, Mr. Drinkwalter, and Mrs. Janssen. Motion carried.

Advanced Planning

Special Board Meeting – March 9, 2010 at 5:30 pm
Special Board Meetings – March 15-18, 2010 at 5:00 pm
Special Board Meeting – March 19, 2010 at 5:30 pm to select new superintendent
Regular April Board Meeting – April 12, 2010 at 5:30 pm
Finance Committee – April 12, 2010 at 12:00 pm

10-03-13: Motion by Mrs. Nobiling, seconded by Mrs. Roes, to go into closed session at 8:15 pm for the protection of the public interest and for the prevention of needless injury

to the reputation of individuals, to discuss Administrative Assignments for 2010-11, and pending litigation. Dr. Hirning and Mr. Lurz were invited into closed session. Voting Aye: Mrs. Haynes, Mrs. Roes, Mrs. Nobiling, Mr. Drinkwalter, Mrs. Janssen, and Mr. Kuskie. Motion carried.

Mr. Lurz was excused from closed session at 9:00 pm.

President Kuskie declared the board out of closed session at 9:15 pm.

10-03-14: Motion by Mrs. Roes, seconded by Mrs. Haynes, to adjourn the meeting at 9:20 pm. Voting Aye: Mrs. Roes, Mrs. Nobiling, Mr. Drinkwalter, Mrs. Janssen, Mr. Kuskie, and Mrs. Haynes. Motion carried.

Charlie Kuskie
President, Board of Education

Kim Morrow
Secretary, Board of Education