

**Board of Education Minutes  
Regular Meeting  
March 10, 2008**

The Board of Education of Chadron Public Schools was convened in Regular Session on March 10, 2008 by Board President, Mrs. Nobiling, at 5:35 pm. Board members present: Mr. Fitzgibbon, Mrs. Roes, Mr. Kuskie, Mr. Noble, Mrs. Katen, and Mrs. Nobiling.

Board President Nobiling stated that a complete copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted on the west wall of the boardroom next to the room entrance.

08-03-01: Motion by Mrs. Katen, seconded by Mrs. Roes to declare the meeting properly publicized and open to the public. Voting Aye: Mr. Fitzgibbon, Mrs. Roes, Mr. Kuskie, Mr. Noble, Mrs. Katen, and Mrs. Nobiling. Motion carried.

Visitors were welcomed to the meeting.

08-03-02: Motion by Mr. Kuskie, seconded by Mrs. Katen, to approve the Agenda of the Regular Meeting for March 10, 2008. Voting Aye: Mrs. Roes, Mr. Kuskie, Mr. Noble, Mrs. Katen, Mrs. Nobiling, and Mr. Fitzgibbon. Motion carried.

08-03-03: Motion by Mr. Fitzgibbon, seconded by Mrs. Katen, to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting for February 18, 2008. Voting Aye: Mr. Kuskie, Mr. Noble, Mrs. Katen, Mrs. Nobiling, Mr. Fitzgibbon, and Mrs. Roes. Motion carried.

**Awards and Honors:**

Mr. Parish reported: (1) Boys Basketball won Districts and took fourth at the State Basketball Tournament, (2) Elliot Eliason was chosen to be on the All Tournament Team, (3) Oral Interpretation of Drama Team took third place at Districts and qualified for State in Lincoln, and (4) Buck Edwards received the Distinguished Service Award from NSAA.

Mr. Osborn reported that MariBeth Moore was notified by John Moon from the NDE Peer Review Team that our recent peer review went very well and congratulated her and the rest of our staff on a great job in preparing the district's math portfolio.

**Treasurer's Report for February, 2008:**

<b><i>Fund:</i></b>	<b><i>BEGINNING</i></b>	<b><i>REVENUE</i></b>	<b><i>EXPENDITURES</i></b>	<b><i>ENDING</i></b>
General Fund	\$4,035,659.20	\$ 788,850.60	\$ (799,859.71)	\$4,024,650.09
Depreciation	624,891.54	25.48	0.00	624,917.02
School Lunch	(5,000.49)	26,011.69	(27,221.73)	(6,210.53)
Special Building	608,249.98	7,847.53	(0.20)	616,097.31
Cooperative Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

TOTALS            \$5,263,800.23    \$ 822,735.30    \$ (827,081.64)    \$5,259,453.89

The Treasurer's Report was accepted as submitted.

08-03-04: Motion by the Finance Committee, seconded by Mr. Kuskie, to approve the bills and claims from the General Fund in the amount of \$108,634.52, the Lunch Fund in the amount of \$13,620.00, the Whitney Lunch Fund in the amount of \$459.13, the Special Building Fund in the amount of \$38,215.50, and the Cooperative Fund in the amount of \$107,328.52. Voting Aye: Mr. Noble, Mrs. Katen, Mrs. Nobiling, Mr. Fitzgibbon, Mrs. Roes, with abstention from check number 55473, and Mr. Kuskie. Motion carried.

08-03-05: Motion by the Finance Committee, seconded by Mr. Fitzgibbon, to approve the claims from the High School Activity Account in the amount of \$16,235.70. Voting Aye: Mrs. Katen, Mrs. Nobiling, with abstention from check number 9384, Mr. Fitzgibbon, Mrs. Roes, Mr. Kuskie, and Mr. Noble. Motion carried.

## **Student Performance and Programs Report**

### **A. Building Principals' Reports**

*Rural Attendance Centers:* Dr. Detwiler reported the following: (1) students attended a Math Counts contest in Scottsbluff with eight other schools; (2) the rural school team took third place and received a trophy for Most Improved; and (3) Tarin Honerkamp will continue on to the state competition next month. He congratulated all those students who participated.

*Kenwood and East Ward Elementary Schools:* Mr. Cogdill reported on the following: (1) the Administrative Team for Reading First will be traveling to Kearney this week to work on the grant for next year; (2) Ronald McDonald will be here next Tuesday for "Reading to Achieve;" (3) March 27<sup>th</sup> will be the Kindergarten Parents meeting, kindergarten visitation day has been scheduled for April 4<sup>th</sup>, and Kindergarten physicals will be on April 22<sup>nd</sup>; and (4) First and Second Grade students will have a music concert in the HS Auditorium on April 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.

*Chadron Middle School:* Mrs. Alcorn report for Ms. Miller on the following items: (1) Dawes County Spelling Bee on February 27<sup>th</sup> - Devan Fillmore won, Zach Banzhaf placed third, and Kelsey Fillmore placed fourth; (2) possible schedule changes next year at the Middle School in effort to offer more Reading and Math classes for those students who need them, (3) March 17<sup>th</sup> is the next Parent Meeting for the Middle School; (4) March 11<sup>th</sup> is the 6-8 Grade Band concert to be held at the CSC Memorial Hall at 7:30 pm; and (5) March 18<sup>th</sup> will be a 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Music Class concert.

### **Board Committee Reports**

Mrs. Roes reported that the Finance Committee would like to refer the following policies to the Policy Committee for review: a policy for determining a per diem rate for meals, a

policy for determining a per diem wages for administrative staff, a mileage reimbursement policy and a credit card use policy.

Mr. Fitzgibbon had no additional information to report from the Building and Grounds Committee.

Mrs. Katen reported from the Personnel Committee that they have a meeting scheduled with representatives from the paraprofessional and secretarial employee group on March 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 pm in the Board Room.

### **Superintendent's Report**

Superintendent Hirning reviewed the following: (a) Reading First Letter of Intent to Submit Grant Continuation Application; (b) Energy Audit Update – Rassmussen Mechanical Services presented their recommendations to the Board; (c) State Aid Certification for 2008-09 Update; (d) Early Release Committee discussions; (e) Preliminary Proposed 2008-09 School Calendar; (f) Attendance Center Transfer Form update; and (g) the District Insurance Policy Renewal.

### **Unfinished Business**

Dr. Hirning updated the board on the continuation of goal setting plans as requested by the Administrative Team.

### **New Business/Personnel**

08-03-06: Motion by Mrs. Katen, seconded by Mr. Fitzgibbon, to accept with regret a letter of resignation from Mary Helen Cogdill as School Nurse with the date to be effective as soon as a replacement can be hired. Voting Aye: Mrs. Nobiling, Mr. Fitzgibbon, Mrs. Roes, Mr. Kuskie, Mr. Noble, and Mrs. Katen. Motion carried.

08-03-07: Motion by Mr. Fitzgibbon, seconded by Mrs. Roes, to approve the contract with Angel Lindsey for Elementary Special Education for 2008-09. Voting Aye: Mr. Fitzgibbon, Mrs. Roes, Mr. Kuskie, Mr. Noble, Mrs. Katen, and Mrs. Nobiling. Motion carried.

08-03-08: Motion by Mr. Noble, seconded by Mr. Kuskie, to go into closed session at 8:05 pm prior to discussing the renewal of administrative and teacher contracts for next year to protect the public interest and to prevent needless injury to staff members' reputation. Voting Aye: Mrs. Roes, Mr. Kuskie, Mr. Noble, Mrs. Katen, Mrs. Nobiling, and Mr. Fitzgibbon. Motion carried. Dr. Hirning was invited into closed session. Mr. Osborn was invited into closed session at 8:15 pm and excused at 8:21 pm.

Mrs. Nobiling declared the board out of Closed Session at 8:45 pm.

08-03-09: Motion by Mr. Fitzgibbon, seconded by Mr. Kuskie, to accept with regret Mr. Osborn's letter of resignation effective at the end of his 2007-08 contract. Voting Aye: Mr. Kuskie, Mr. Noble, Mrs. Katen, Mrs. Nobiling, Mr. Fitzgibbon, and Mrs. Roes. Motion carried.

08-03-10: Motion by Mr. Kuskie, seconded by Mrs. Roes, to renew administrative contracts for 2008-09 with final salaries to be determined at a later date. Voting Aye: Mr. Noble, Mrs. Katen, Mrs. Nobiling, Mr. Fitzgibbon, Mrs. Roes, and Mr. Kuskie. Motion carried.

08-03-11: Motion by Mrs. Katen, seconded by Mr. Fitzgibbon, to renew teaching contracts for 2008-09 with a due date of April 1, 2008. Voting Aye: Mrs. Katen, Mrs. Nobiling, Mr. Fitzgibbon, Mrs. Roes, Mr. Kuskie, and Mr. Noble. Motion carried.

### **Advanced Planning**

NRCSA Spring Conference – March 12-13, 2008 at Kearney Holiday Inn  
NASB Board Member Workshop in Gering – 5:30 pm on April 3, 2008  
Regular Board Meeting – April 14, 2008 at 5:30 pm  
District Goal Setting Retreat with Administration/Board – Tentatively 8:00 am to  
12:00 pm on April 5, 2008

08-03-12: Motion by Mr. Fitzgibbon, seconded by Mrs. Katen, to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 pm. Voting Aye: Mrs. Nobiling, Mr. Fitzgibbon, Mrs. Roes, Mr. Kuskie, Mr. Noble, and Mrs. Katen. Motion carried.

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Tracy Nobiling  
President, Board of Education

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Kim Morrow  
Secretary, Board of Education