

Board of Education Minutes
Regular Meeting
August 11, 2008

The Board of Education of Chadron Public Schools was convened in Regular Session on August 11, 2008 by President, Mrs. Nobiling, at 5:33 pm. Board members present: Mrs. Roes, Mrs. Katen, Mr. Fitzgibbon, Mr. Noble, Mr. Kuskie, and Mrs. Nobiling.

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

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

Several visitors were welcomed to the meeting.

08-08-02: Motion by Mr. Fitzgibbon, seconded by Mr. Kuskie, to approve the Agenda of the Regular Meeting for August 11, 2008 with an additional item to approve a teaching contract for Mikel Landreth. Voting Aye: Mrs. Katen, Mr. Fitzgibbon, Mr. Noble, Mr. Kuskie, Mrs. Nobiling, and Mrs. Roes. Motion carried.

08-08-03: Motion by Mr. Fitzgibbon, seconded by Mrs. Roes, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting for July 14, 2008. Voting Aye: Mr. Fitzgibbon, Mr. Noble, Mr. Kuskie, Mrs. Nobiling, Mrs. Roes, and Mrs. Katen. Motion carried.

Award and/or Honors

Mrs. Smith presented Abigail McFee with the DUKE TIP award for her excellent score on the ACT test last Spring as a seventh grade student.

Mr. Parish reported that Coach Nobiling received his Level I Milestone Award for 100 career wins

Mr. Lurz reported that Mr. Parish has been recognized by the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association as a Certified Master Athletic Administrator.

Dr. Detwiler and Ms. Miller reported on the Dawes County Fair School Art Awards: Best of Show—Cody Madsen and Sam Ryan; Judges Favorite—Ashten McConnell, Best Portrait—Sierra Passero, Best Pencil—Devon Fillmore, Best Design—Emily Morrow, Best Cartoon—Alannah Fields, Best Painting—Zach Banzof, Best Colored Pencil—Allie Johnson, Best Perspective—Matt Lordino, Best Contour Drawing—Brittany Kouba, Best Mixed Media—Terran Honerkamp, Best Craft Project—Wyatt Crane, Most Original—Keith Kicker, Best Use of Color—Chance Fraser, and Best Ink Drawing—Brenna Hawthorne.

Congratulations to everyone mentioned above.

Treasurer's Report for July, 2008:

| Fund | Fund Description | Beginning | Revenue | Expenditures | Ending |
|-------|-----------------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|
| 1 | GENERAL FUND | \$5,433,976.04 | \$103,764.29 | \$(714,348.42) | \$4,823,391.91 |
| 2 | DEPRECIATION FUND | 627,848.47 | 14,055.18 | (9,411.62) | 632,492.03 |
| 6 | SCHOOL LUNCH | (16,295.77) | 266.56 | (5,110.79) | (21,140.00) |
| 8 | SPECIAL BUILDING FUND | 728,405.42 | 5,211.51 | (147,766.42) | 585,850.51 |
| 10 | COOPERATIVE FUND | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| TOTAL | | \$6,773,934.16 | \$123,297.54 | \$(876,637.25) | \$6,020,594.45 |

The Treasurer's Report was accepted as submitted.

08-08-04: Motion by the Finance Committee, seconded by Mr. Fitzgibbon, to approve the bills and claims from the General Fund in the amount of \$84,348.51, the Lunch Fund in the amount of \$12,571.00, and the Cooperative Fund in the amount of \$46,452.00. Voting Aye: Mr. Noble, Mr. Kuskie, Mrs. Nobiling, Mrs. Roes, Mrs. Katen, and Mr. Fitzgibbon. Motion carried.

08-08-05: Motion by the Finance Committee, seconded by Mr. Fitzgibbon, to approve the claims from the Student Activity Account in the amount of \$3,699.66. Voting Aye: Mr. Kuskie, Mrs. Nobiling, Mrs. Roes, Mrs. Katen, Mr. Fitzgibbon, and Mr. Noble. Motion carried.

Student Performance and Programs Report

A. Building Principals' Reports

East Ward Elementary: Mr. Cogdill explained the additional teacher Kindergarten position this year will help keep the students numbers in each class below 20.

Chadron Middle School: Ms. Miller introduced employees new to the district or with new positions at her building: Judy Bieber, Barbara Blum, Anthony Burki, Richard Darnell, Brad Gaston, Cathy Kaus, Christy Lecher, Holly Newbold, Kimberly Raaphorst, Holly Sager, and Kathy Smith.

Kenwood Elementary: Mrs. Alcorn reported Kenwood's numbers appear to be down right now, but they are expected to rise after Labor Day. Teachers have been in their rooms beginning to get things ready.

Rural Schools: Dr. Detwiler reported that Britni Morton will be replaced with Mikel Landreth at Alpha School (to be approved later in this meeting). He also hopes to have one remaining paraprofessional position filled in a few days. Dr. Detwiler also congratulated three students who placed fourth at the National History Contest in June: Nikki Applegarth, Jasmine Applegarth, and Lydia McFee.

High School: Mr. Lurz introduced himself to the school board and reported that he is looking forward to the new school year.

Finance Committee: Mrs. Roes updated the board on a few items pending with the committee including a request to start discussions regarding the location of high school graduation this school year.

Building and Grounds Committee: Dr. Hirning will update the board on the bus barn during his report.

Personnel Committee: Negotiations with the teachers' association is complete.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Hirning reviewed the following: (a) District teaching vacancies for 2008-09, (b) bus barn specs, (c) the probable USDA Distance Learning Grant, (d) High School boiler specs.

New Business

08-08-06: Motion by the Personnel Committee, seconded by Mr. Fitzgibbon, to ratify the 2008-09 Certified Teachers Negotiated Agreement. Voting Aye: Mrs. Nobiling, Mrs. Roes, Mrs. Katen, Mr. Fitzgibbon, Mr. Noble, and Mr. Kuskie. Motion carried.

The board held a first reading on the following policies: Certified Staff Grievance Policy #4119.5, Nondiscrimination Notice #4119.14, Military and family Military Leave #4161.71, Electronic Devices #5138, Acceptable Use #5138.1, Student Questioning or Interviews #5145.42, Anti-Bullying #5142.5, and Student Complaint Procedures #5145.7.

08-08-07: Motion by Mr. Kuskie, seconded by Mr. Fitzgibbon, to approve the 2008-2009 Classified Staff Handbook. It is noted that this handbook will also be updated with the applicable policies mentioned above once they are approved. Voting Aye: Mrs. Roes, Mrs. Katen, Mr. Fitzgibbon, Mr. Noble, Mr. Kuskie, and Mrs. Nobiling. Motion carried.

08-08-08: Motion by Mr. Fitzgibbon, seconded by Mrs. Katen, to approve the 2008-2009 Student Handbooks. Voting Aye: Mrs. Katen, Mr. Fitzgibbon, Mr. Noble, Mr. Kuskie, Mrs. Nobiling, and Mrs. Roes. Motion carried.

Personnel

08-08-09: Motion by Mr. Fitzgibbon, seconded by Mr. Kuskie, to approve teacher contracts with the following individuals: Kathy Smith, Middle School Computers; Kathy Dobry, High School English; Kodi Young, Rural Computers; and Mikel Landreth, Alpha School. Voting Aye: Mr. Fitzgibbon, Mr. Noble, Mr. Kuskie, Mrs. Nobiling, Mrs. Roes, and Mrs. Katen. Motion carried.

08-08-10: Motion by Mr. Kuskie, seconded by Mr. Fitzgibbon, to approve the letter of resignation from Seth Vapenik under the condition that the administration can find a

suitable replacement for him as Preschool Teacher. Voting Aye: Mr. Noble, Mr. Kuskie, Mrs. Nobiling, Mrs. Roes, Mrs. Katen, and Mr. Fitzgibbon. Motion carried.

08-08-11: Motion by Mrs. Roes, seconded by Mrs. Katen, to accept letters of resignation with regret from the following individuals: Britni Morton, Dixie Thompson, and Deborah Buchanan. Voting Aye: Mr. Noble, Mr. Kuskie, Mrs. Nobiling, Mrs. Roes, Mrs. Katen, and Mr. Fitzgibbon. Motion carried.

Advanced Planning

Policy Committee Meetings – August 18, 2008 at 3:00 pm
Personnel Committee Meeting – August 20, 2008 at 6:00 pm
Finance Committee Meeting – August 20, 2008 at 6:30 pm
Special Board Meeting – August 25, 2008 at 5:30 pm
NASB Area Board Member Meeting – August 27, 2008 at 4:45 pm in Gering
Regular September Board Meeting – September 16, 2008 at 5:30 pm

08-08-12: Motion by Mr. Fitzgibbon, seconded by Mrs. Katen, to enter into Closed Session for the protection of the public interest and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of individuals and to discuss the Unit II Filing with CIR. Time entered into closed session was 7:17 pm. Dr. Hirning and Mrs. Morrow were invited into closed session. Voting Aye: Mr. Kuskie, Mrs. Nobiling, Mrs. Roes, Mrs. Katen, Mr. Fitzgibbon, and Mr. Noble. Motion carried.

President Nobiling declared the board out of closed session at 7:55 pm.

08-08-13: Motion by Mr. Fitzgibbon, seconded by Mrs. Katen, to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 pm. Voting Aye: Mrs. Nobiling, Mrs. Roes, Mrs. Katen, Mr. Fitzgibbon, Mr. Noble, and Mr. Kuskie. Motion carried.

Tracy Nobiling
President, Board of Education

Kim Morrow
Secretary, Board of Education