

**Board of Education Minutes
Regular Meeting
December 8, 2008**

The Board of Education of Chadron Public Schools was convened in Regular Session on December 8, 2008 by President, Mrs. Nobiling, at 5:33 pm. Board members present: Mrs. Katen, Mrs. Roes, Mr. Noble, Mr. Fitzgibbon, 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.

09-12-04: Motion by Mr. Noble, seconded by Mrs. Katen, to declare the meeting properly publicized with the media and open to the public. Voting Aye: Mrs. Katen, Mrs. Roes, Mr. Noble, Mr. Fitzgibbon, Mr. Kuskie, and Mrs. Nobiling. Motion carried.

Several visitors were welcomed to the meeting.

09-12-05: Motion by Mrs. Katen, seconded by Mrs. Roes, to approve the Agenda of the Regular Meeting for December 8, 2008 to include the additional item, 7.b., Renewal of the Superintendent's contract. Voting Aye: Mrs. Roes, Mr. Noble, Mr. Fitzgibbon, Mr. Kuskie, Mrs. Nobiling, and Mrs. Katen. Motion carried.

09-12-06: Motion by Mr. Kuskie, seconded by Mrs. Roes, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting for November 17, 2008. Voting Aye: Mr. Noble, Mr. Fitzgibbon, Mr. Kuskie, Mrs. Nobiling, Mrs. Katen, and Mrs. Roes. Motion carried.

09-12-07: Motion by Mrs. Roes, seconded by Mrs. Katen, to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting for December 1, 2008. Voting Aye: Mr. Fitzgibbon, Mr. Kuskie, Mrs. Nobiling, Mrs. Katen, Mrs. Roes, and Mr. Noble. Motion carried.

Award and/or Honors

Mr. Parish announced the Awards and Honors for the Fall Activities Season: Softball All Conference/Honorable Mention All State – Brooke Grant and Nikki Ritzen; Softball All Conference/2nd Team All State – Trina Kuhnel; Softball Honorable Mention All Conference – Lacy Westlake and Taylor Callahan; Volleyball All Conference/Honorable Mention All State – Ashley Bargaen; Volleyball Honorable Mention All Conference – Shelby Budler and Leanne Hinrichs; Football All Conference/1st Team C-1 QB/2nd Team All Class QB/C-1 Captain – Jon McLain; Football All Conference/1st Team C-1 Defense LB – Travis Reeves; Football All Conference – Zac Bargaen, Nick Mitchell, Garrett Johnson, and Zac Sandstrom; Football Honorable Mention All Conference – Alec Holmquist, Charlie Marsh, Will Brown, and Taylor Hency; Girls Golf Team qualified for C-1 State Golf; Qualified for Cross Country State – Tara Kelso and Logan Vogt; Boy's Basketball – Western Conference Champs; Girl's Basketball – 4th Place Western Conference; Mock Trial – Won districts and are currently at State Competition; One Act

Play – 6th at Districts with outstanding acting honors to: Megan Kizer, Karyssa Stein, Maggie Darnell, Haley Kizer, Garrett Meisman, and Bethany Sloan; Academic All Conference Awards – Jon McLain, Travis Reeves, Ashley Riesen, Nikki Ritzen, and Jens Johnson.

Dr. Hirning reported that Sally Katen received her Level 4 Board Member Training Certificate and Mrs. Roes received her Level 1 Board Member Training Certificate from the Nebraska School Boards Association.

Congratulations to all those people mention above.

Treasurer’s Report for November, 2008:

Fund Description	Beginning Balance	Revenue	Expenditures	Journal Entry	Ending Balance
General Fund	3,750,125.48	672,307.57	(845,063.52)	(7,025.20)	3,570,344.33
Depreciation Fund	1,131,668.43	-	(3,500.00)	-	1,128,168.43
Lunch Fund	16,875.07	30,362.68	(17,779.92)	-	29,457.83
Bond Fund	448,516.73	10,773.79	(449,275.56)	-	10,014.96
Special Building Fund	859,602.76	12,390.28	(17,635.78)	-	854,357.26
TOTAL	6,206,788.47	725,834.32	(1,333,254.78)	(7,025.20)	5,592,342.81

09-12-08: Motion by the Finance Committee, seconded by Mr. Kuskie, to approve the bills and claims from the General Fund in the amount of \$80,704.52, the Depreciation Fund in the amount of \$36,000.00, the Lunch Fund in the amount of \$28,849.49, and Special Building Fund in the amount of \$1,541.44. Voting Aye: Mr. Kuskie, Mrs. Nobiling, Mrs. Katen, Mrs. Roes, with abstention from check number 56977, Mr. Noble, and Mr. Fitzgibbon. Motion carried.

09-12-09: Motion by the Finance Committee, seconded by Mr. Kuskie, to approve the claims from the Student Activity Account in the amount of \$30,869.08 and from the Student Fee Account of \$425.12. Voting Aye: Mrs. Nobiling, Mrs. Katen, Mrs. Roes, Mr. Noble, Mr. Fitzgibbon, and Mr. Kuskie. Motion carried.

Student Performance and Programs Report

A. ESU Director Visit – This was rescheduled to the January 2009 Board Meeting due to the inclement weather.

B. Building Principals’ Reports

East Ward Elementary: Mr. Cogdill reported on the following: 1) RTI Training to be held in Kearney; 2) Kindergarten music concert will be December 18th at 7:00 pm; 3) In-service activities planned for December 19th after dismissal; and 4) MS Athletics are winding down for Christmas break.

Kenwood Elementary: Mrs. Alcorn reported on the following: 1) Loretta McHenry reviewed the Reading Mastery Program; 2) recent ESU workshop was successful; and 3) Santa and Mrs. Klaus will make a special trip to Kenwood on December 19th.

High School: Mr. Lurz reported on the following: 1) Enrollment remains at 281 (18 students higher than last year at this time); 2) Working on attendance issues; 3) Winter activities are in full swing; 4) the Marzano Book Study is progressing well; and 5) Mentor Program invited board members to the next meeting, Wednesday, December 10th at 6:30 pm at the Country Kitchen.

Rural Schools: Dr. Detwiler reported on the following: 1) Alpha is working on distributing the 250 fleece jackets to various agencies in the area; 2) Prairie Home and Trunk Butte's Christmas Program will be December 9, 2008 at 7:00 pm and Whitney's Christmas Program will be December 16, 2008 at 6:30 pm – both located at the High School Auditorium; 3) Teachers working on NCA accreditation; 4) Test data is being reviewed; 5) Student and Staff NCA Surveys are being tallied; and 6) Para certification to be completed soon.

Chadron Middle School: Mrs. Harford presented a report to the board on the High Ability Learner (HAL) enrichment opportunities at the Middle School being implemented this year.

Finance Committee: Mrs. Roes reported that the committee will be reviewing uniforms and major purchases for the activities program.

Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Hirning reviewed the following: (a) Multi-handicapped classroom facility update; (b) Projected expansion plan for public restrooms and concessions as part of New Maintenance Facility; (c) Classified employee evaluation examples; and (d) Proposed review of grade spans at East Ward and Kenwood Elementary.

New Business

09-12-10: Motion by Mr. Fitzgibbon, seconded by Mr. Kuskie, to enter into a bid performance contract with successful bidder, Littrel Construction, for the New Maintenance and Storage Facility. Voting Aye: Mrs. Katen, Mrs. Roes, Mr. Noble, Mr. Fitzgibbon, Mr. Kuskie, and Mrs. Nobiling. Motion carried.

Personnel

09-12-11: Motion by Mrs. Roes, 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, to complete the evaluation of the superintendent. Time entered into closed session was 6:29 pm. Dr. Hirning was invited into closed session.

Voting Aye: Mrs. Roes, Mr. Noble, Mr. Fitzgibbon, Mr. Kuskie, Mrs. Nobiling, and Mrs. Katen. Motion carried.

Dr. Hirning was excused from closed session at 7:39 pm and invited back into closed session at 8:00 pm.

President Nobiling declared the board out of closed session at 8:33 pm.

Advanced Planning

Policy Committee Meeting – December 12, 2008 at 2:00 pm
Curriculum Committee Meeting – December 18, 2008 at 5:00 pm
Regular January Board Meeting – January 12, 2008 at 5:30 pm
Potential Special Board Meeting – January 7, 2008

09-12-12: Motion by Mrs. Roes, seconded by Mr. Noble, to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 pm. Voting Aye: Mr. Noble, Mr. Fitzgibbon, Mr. Kuskie, Mrs. Nobiling, Mrs. Katen, and Mrs. Roes. Motion carried.

Tracy Nobiling
President, Board of Education

Kim Morrow
Secretary, Board of Education