

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF GARDEN COUNTY SCHOOLS

A meeting of the Board of Education of Garden County Schools was convened in open and public session on Monday, July 14, 2008, at 6:30 AM in the downstairs computer lab at Garden County High School, 200 West 4th Street, Oshkosh, NE. The following Board members were present or absent:

Present: Mike Fischer, Andrea Lake, Rex Miller, Randy Stanczyk, and Joe Van Newkirk

Absent: Kelly Reece

Also present: Supt. Paula Sissel

Guests: Lee Davies, Jan Davis

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication and/or posting 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 Education. The Secretary of the Board maintains a list of the 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 a current copy of the Agenda was maintained as stated in the publicized notice. All proceedings of the Board of Education, except as may be hereinafter noted, were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

1. Call Meeting to Order-The meeting was duly called to order at 6:33 AM by President Miller, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Announcement of Open Meetings Act Posting

At the beginning of this meeting, President Miller announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act was posted on the east wall of the meeting room.

2. Motion made by Van Newkirk and seconded by Fischer to approve the consent agenda and claims for the amount of \$274,519.49 as presented.
Voting for: Fischer, Lake, Miller, Stanczyk, and Van Newkirk
Voting against: None
Motion carried.
3. Recognition of visitors: President Miller recognized the visitors.
4. Public comment: Jan Davis expressed the need to know about the insurance coverage as soon as possible.
5. Reports:
 - A. Board Committee reports-
 - Building/Facility: Lee Davies presented new addition roof recommendations made by roofing subcontractor under warranty. The plans will be forwarded to the district's insurance adjustor for input. A lightning storm required an insurance claim on the high school's phone system.
 - Policy/Americanism: A meeting will be held within the next two weeks, once information is received from the district's health plan.
6. Discussion items-
 - A. Building accessibility and keys available to public is being review to establish safety status and procedures.
 - B. State Accreditation for the 2008-09 school year was received.
 - C. 403(b) Third Party Administrator will be chosen for new payroll year based on ESU consensus.
 - D. Smaller pump at junior high has proven successful with recent tests.

- E. Werner Construction is being contacted to investigate millings for elementary site and high school track.
 - F. Support staffing positions were discussed in relation to budget constraints. Eligibility of part-time employees for group health insurance plan is being reviewed.
 - G. Technology coordinator contract was discussed.
 - H. Back-to-school BBQ for all staff and board members will be held on Aug. 11 at 6 PM at GCHS.
 - I. Four day school week feasibility study was discussed due to fuel costs.
7. Action items:
- A. Motion made by Lake and seconded by Van Newkirk to accept first reading of all revised 2008-09 handbooks, Internet Safety/Acceptable Use policy, community use of facility, military and family military leave, Student records/FERPA, bullying, and Open Meetings' policies.
Voting for: Fischer, Lake, Miller, Stanczyk, and Van Newkirk
Voting against: None
Motion carried.
 - B. Motion made by Stanczyk and seconded Fischer by to approve the new pupil transportation mileage rate of .585, effective July 1 through Dec. 31, 2008.
Voting for: Fischer, Lake, Miller, Stanczyk, and Van Newkirk
Voting against: None
Motion carried.
 - C. Motion made by Van Newkirk and seconded by Stanczyk to accept the electrical bids presented by Barn Butte Electric.
Voting for: Fischer, Lake, Miller, Stanczyk, and Van Newkirk
Voting against: None
Motion carried.
 - D. Motion made by Fischer and seconded by Van Newkirk to accept the lowest promotional pamphlet bid from NE Print Works.
Voting for: Fischer, Lake, Miller, Stanczyk, and Van Newkirk
Voting against: None
Motion carried.
 - E. Motion made by Van Newkirk and seconded by Fischer to accept the chemical disposal bid by Clean Harbor with adjustments.
Voting for: Fischer, Lake, Miller, and Van Newkirk
Voting against: Stanczyk
Motion carried.
 - F. Motion made by Lake and seconded by Fischer to designate the Garden County News as primary and Scottsbluff Star Herald as secondary newspaper.
Voting for: Fischer, Lake, Miller, Stanczyk, and Van Newkirk
Voting against: None
Motion carried.
 - G. Motion made by Van Newkirk and seconded by Stanczyk to appoint Paula Sissel as authorized representative for federal, state, and local matters.
Voting for: Fischer, Lake, Miller, Stanczyk, and Van Newkirk

Voting against: None

Motion carried.

- H. Motion made by Stanczyk and seconded by Van Newkirk to contract with auditing firm of Rauner and Associates for the 2008-09 school year.
Voting for: Fischer, Lake, Miller, Stanczyk, and Van Newkirk
Voting against: None
Motion carried.
- I. Motion made by Fischer and seconded by Van Newkirk to approve blanket orders to county treasurers for receipts.
Voting for: Fischer, Lake, Miller, Stanczyk, and Van Newkirk
Voting against: None
Motion carried.
- J. Motion made by Van Newkirk and seconded by Lake to set 2008-09 breakfast prices at \$1.50 for GCE, \$1.75 for GCJH/GCHS, and \$2.00 for adults.
Voting for: Fischer, Lake, Miller, Stanczyk, and Van Newkirk
Voting against: None
Motion carried.
8. Date/time next regular meeting-August 11, 2008 at 7:30 PM, following public hearings at for parent involvement, wellness, student fees, multicultural, and bullying policies at 7:15 PM.
9. President Miller adjourned the meeting at 8:01 AM.

DATED this 14th day of July 2008.

GARDEN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
(35-0001)

BY: Rex Miller, President

ATTEST: Andrea Lake, Secretary
Paula Sissel, Superintendent