Board Minutes

February 10, 2020

The Board of Educational Service Unit No. 5 met on Monday, February 10, 2020 at the offices of ESU 5 in Beatrice, Nebraska. Chair Vic Jacobson called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. He acknowledged that this was an open meeting in accordance with the Open Meetings Act and notice of such was published in the Beatrice Daily Sun and Hebron Journal Register the week of January 30, 2020. Roll call was taken. Present were board members Vic Jacobson, Darlene Pierce, Lorna McMurray, Duane Smith, Roger Smidt, Jeannine Murphy, Administrator Brenda McNiff, Board Treasurer Jan Reimer, and Recording Secretary Vicki Frerking.

Roger Smidt moved to approve the agenda as presented with the addition of New Business, Item 2: Administrator Contract; seconded by Darlene Pierce. Motion passed 6-0 on roll call vote.

Darlene Pierce moved to approve the minutes of the January 2020 meeting; seconded by Jeannine Murphy. Motion passed 6-0 on roll call vote.

Roger Smidt moved to approve the Treasurer’s Report for February 2020 and authorize payment of bills in the amount of $457,470.46; seconded by Jeannine Murphy. Motion passed 6-0 on roll call vote.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Administrator McNiff presented the board with the timeline and recommendations for the 2020-2021 compensation package for all employees. No board action required at this time.

Administrator McNiff informed the board of the expansion of the ESU 5 Spanish Program, teacher search for the program, and the participation of member schools. No board action required.

Administrator McNiff informed the board that Beatrice Public School Board will vote tonight on approval of ESU 5 providing technical support for BPS. No board action required.

Administrator McNiff updated the board of the Legislative bills being considered concerning education.

Roger Smidt moved the board go into executive session at 6:11 p.m. for discussion of the Administrator Contract; seconded by Jeannine Murphy. Motion passed 6-0 on roll call vote.

Vic Jacobson moved the board come out of executive session at 6:25 p.m.; seconded by Lorna McMurray. Motion passed 6-0 on roll call vote.

No one was in attendance to provide public comment on any items.

The next meeting will be held Monday, March 9, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at ESU 5.

With no further business, Roger Smidt moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Duane Smith. Motion passed by consensus.
President Jacobson adjourned the meeting at 6:27 p.m.

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