

Educational Service Unit #5

Board Minutes

January 10, 2022

The Board of Educational Service Unit No. 5 met on Monday, January 10, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at the offices of ESU 5 in Beatrice, Nebraska. Present were board members Vicki Hinz-Ensz, Roger Smidt, Jeannine Murphy, and Betty Meyer; Administrator Brenda McNiff; Board Treasurer Jan Reimer; and Board Recording Secretary Vicki Frerking. Darlene Pierce was absent. Duane Smith arrived at 6:30 p.m.

President Vicki Hinz-Ensz called the meeting to order at 6:18 p.m. She 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 December 30, 2021.

Vicki Hinz-Ensz moved to approve the agenda as presented; seconded by Roger Smidt. Motion passed 4-0 on roll call vote.

Roger Smidt moved to approve the minutes of the December 2021 meeting; seconded by Betty Meyer. Motion passed 4-0 on roll call vote.

Roger Smidt moved to approve the January 2022 Treasurer's Report and approve payment of bills in the amount of \$457,034.52; seconded by Vicki Hinz-Ensz. Motion passed 4-0 on roll call vote.

Old Business:

President Vicki Hinz-Ensz began the process of reorganization of the ESU 5 Board of Director's officer positions. President Hinz-Ensz opened nominations. Vicki Hinz-Ensz nominated Roger Smidt for the position of President and moved nominations cease and a unanimous vote be cast for Roger Smidt to serve as President; seconded by Betty Meyer. Motion passed 4-0 on roll call vote.

Roger Smidt nominated Vicki Hinz-Ensz for the position of Vice President and moved nominations cease and a unanimous vote be cast for Vicki Hinz-Ensz to serve as Vice President; seconded by Jeannine Murphy. Motion passed 4-0 on roll call vote.

Roger Smidt nominated Duane Smith to serve as Board Secretary and moved nominations cease and a unanimous vote be cast for Duane Smith to serve as Board Secretary; seconded by Vicki Hinz-Ensz. Motion passed 4-0 on roll call vote.

President Smidt appointed Jan Reimer as ESU 5 Board Treasurer and Victoria Frerking as ESU 5 Recording Secretary. No vote was necessary.

Betty Meyer moved to retain Security First Bank of Beatrice as the repository and the general fund account bank of ESU 5; seconded by Jeannine Murphy. Motion passed 4-0 on roll call vote.

President Smidt moved to retain Perry Law Firm as legal counsel for ESU 5; seconded by Jeannine Murphy. Motion passed 4-0 on roll call vote.

New Business

Administrator Update:

Administrator McNiff informed the Board that she is beginning to look at staff compensation packages and will have a recommendation for the Board at the February or March meeting.

Administrator McNiff discussed with the Board the role of Instructional Coaches and the possibility of using them in the ESU 5 member schools. This will be discussed more at the February meeting.

Public Comment

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

Adjournment

With no further business, President Smidt moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Betty Meyer. Motion passed by consensus and the meeting was adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

The next meeting will be held Monday, February 14, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. followed by an Appreciation Dinner.



Victoria Frerking, Board Recording Secretary
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Brenda McNiff, Administrator
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