

## Educational Services Unit #5

### Board Minutes

November 12, 2018

The Board of Educational Service Unit #5 met on Monday, November 12, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. at the offices of ESU #5 in Beatrice, Nebraska. Prior to the meeting being called to order, Ryan McDowell and David Camara gave a presentation on integrating technology into the classroom.

Chair Duane Smith called the meeting to order at 6:50 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 November 2, 2018. Roll call was taken. Present were board members Duane Smith, Vic Jacobson, Roger Smidt, Lorna McMurray and Darlene Pierce; Administrator Brenda McNiff, Board Treasurer Jan Reimer, and Board Recording Secretary Vicki Frerking. Deb Meyer and Jeannine Murphy were absent.

Vic Jacobson moved to approve the agenda as presented; seconded by Roger Smidt. Motion passed 5-0 on roll call vote.

Lorna McMurray moved to approve the minutes of the October meeting; seconded by Vic Jacobson. Motion passed 5-0 on roll call vote.

Roger Smidt moved to approve the Treasurer's Report for November 2018 and authorize payment of the bills in the amount of \$440,825.49; seconded by Lorna McMurray. Motion passed 5-0 on roll call vote.

### Old Business:

Administrator McNiff informed the board of the purchase of three Ford Focus cars from Beatrice Ford. These vehicles were purchased according to the ESU 5 vehicle rotation plan. No board action required.

### New Business:

Administrator McNiff advised the board of the process for setting the compensation and benefit package for staff for the 2019-2020 school year. The ESU 5 Teacher's Association was decertified during the 2017-18 school year so Administrator McNiff will send an evaluation to staff and will meet and confer with staff. No board action required at this time.

Vic Jacobson moved to declare an iPad 4 as surplus property with a resale value of \$75.00; seconded by Roger Smidt. Motion passed 5-0 on roll call vote.

### Administrative Update:

Administrator McNiff updated the board on ESU 5's work in collaboration with ESU 5 schools on the Technology Integration Program. No board action required.

Legislative Update: Administrator McNiff updated the board on priority bills as identified by the NE State Department of Education. No board action required.

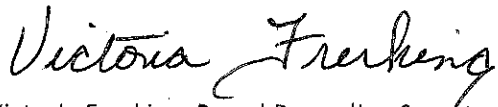
Administrator McNiff reported that ESU #5 Superintendents were asked to prioritize programs they'd like to see in their schools. Programs included: High Ability Learner Program, Level III program, E-sports Competition and a shared Grant Writer. No board action required.

The ESU #5 Annual Report, as submitted to the State of Nebraska, was distributed to board members.

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

The next board meeting will be December 10, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at the offices of ESU #5.

With no further business, Duane Smith adjourned the meeting at 7:37 p.m.



Victoria Frerking, Board Recording Secretary  
Educational Service Unit #5  
Gage, Jefferson, Thayer Counties  
Nebraska



Brenda McNiff, Administrator  
Educational Service Unit #5  
Gage, Jefferson, Thayer Counties  
Nebraska