

## Educational Services Unit #5

### Board Minutes

September 14, 2020

The Board of Educational Service Unit No. 5 met on Monday, September 14, 2020, at the offices of ESU No. 5 in Beatrice, Nebraska. Roll call was taken. Present were board members Roger Smidt, Darlene Pierce, Vic Jacobson, Duane Smith, Vicki Hinz-Ensz, Administrator Brenda McNiff, Board Treasurer Jan Reimer, and Board Recording Secretary Vicki Frerking. Lorna McMurray and Jeannine Murphy were absent.

Chair Vic Jacobson called the meeting to order at 7:41 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 September 4, 2020.

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

Roger Smidt moved to approve the minutes of the August 2020 meeting; seconded by Vicki Hinz-Ensz. Motion passed 5-0 on roll call vote.

Duane Smith moved to approve the Treasurer's Report for September 2020 and authorize payment of the bills in the amount of \$672,081.10; seconded by Roger Smidt. Motion passed 5-0 on roll call vote.

### Old Business:

### New Business:

Roger Smidt moved to approve the 2020-21 Budget in the amount of \$8,203,230, seconded by Duane Smith. Motion passed 5-0 on roll call vote.

Roger Smidt moved to set the Final Tax Request at \$1,092,390.75, seconded by Duane Smith. Motion passed 5-0 on roll call vote.

Roger Smidt moved to set the levy at 0.015 per \$100.00 valuation, seconded by Duane Smith. Motion passed 5-0 on roll call vote.

Roger Smidt moved to adopt the presented Equity and Legal Compliance Policy as required by Title 1X. This policy replaces Article 5, Section 1. Motion seconded by Darlene Pierce. Motion passed 5-0 on roll call vote.

Duane Smith, Secretary of the Board, signed Resolution No. 091420 Setting the Tax Request and Final Levy of Educational Service Unit No. 5.

The AESA Conference scheduled for December 2-5, 2020 in Orlando, Florida will be a virtual conference. Virtual presentations will be made by Jen McNally and Matt McNiff on Mental Health, and Annette Weise and Matt Dworak on the EKCO project. No board action required at this time.

**Administrative Updates:**

Administrator McNiff presented the board with the Nebraska Council of School Administrators Final Legislative Report from the 2020 Legislative session. No board action required.

Administrator McNiff reported on current COVID-19 DHMs and Public Health recommendations for ESU 5 and member schools. No board action required.

Administrator McNiff reported that ESU 5 will not be participating in the Payroll Tax Deferral program. No board action required.

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

The next board meeting will be October 12, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. at the offices of ESU 5.

With no further business, Roger Smidt moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Vicki Hinz-Ensz. Motion passed 5-0 on roll call vote. Chair Vic Jacobson adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.



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