

MINUTES OF THE ESU #11 BOARD MEETING OCTOBER 21, 2013

The Board of Educational Service Unit #11 of the State of Nebraska, hereinafter referred to as ESU #11, held its regular meeting at the New View building in Oxford, NE on October 21, 2013 with the following members present: Karen Duncan, Gary Smidt, Lorenda Forbes, Susan Perry, Ann Rodhouse, Linda Leising, and Richard Phillips. David Fleischmann, Kathy Whitten, and Marilyn Winkler were absent.

Notification was made of the open meetings law. The open meeting laws were on display throughout the Board Meeting.

Public Notice that the regular monthly meeting of the Board of ESU #11 would be held on October 21, 2013 was published in one newspaper of general circulation in each of the six counties making up ESU #11 during the week of October 1, 2013 and broadcast over radio stations KUVR and KRVN during that same week. The Public Notice also stated that a current agenda of items to be brought before the Board was available for public inspection in the office of ESU #11 and that reasonable accommodations for individuals with special needs who want to attend the meeting would be provided on request if sufficient advance notice is given.

Motion made by Gary Smidt, seconded by Ann Rodhouse to approve the absence of David Fleischmann, Kathy Whitten, and Marilyn Winkler. Vote as follows: Karen Duncan, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; Ann Rodhouse, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Lorenda Forbes, yes. Motion carried, 7 yes, 0 no, 3 absent.

The minutes of the September 16, 2013 Public Budget Hearing, Setting the Tax Request Held Special Public Hearing, and regular Board Meeting were approved as printed.

Paul Tedesco, Unit Administrator, presented the General Fund Financial Report for September 2013. Motion made by Linda Leising, seconded by Lorenda Forbes that the General Fund Financial Report be accepted as presented. Vote as follows: Karen Duncan, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; Ann Rodhouse, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Lorenda Forbes, yes. Motion carried, 7 yes, 0 no, 3 absent.

Motion made by Linda Leising, seconded by Richard Phillips that the October 2013 claims for payment be approved for payment in the amount of \$372,634.23 as presented. Vote as follows: Karen Duncan, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; Ann Rodhouse, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Lorenda Forbes, yes. Motion carried, 7 yes, 0 no, 3 absent.

Motion made by Ann Rodhouse, seconded by Gary Smidt to approve the ESU #11 Annual Compliance Report for the 2012-2013 fiscal year and the Application for Accreditation for the 2014-2015 fiscal year. Vote as follows: Karen Duncan, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; Ann Rodhouse, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Lorenda Forbes, yes. Motion carried, 7 yes, 0 no, 3 absent.

Paul Tedesco, Unit Administrator, reviewed the Budget of Expenditures and Revenues for the past five years at ESU #11.

Motion made by Gary Smidt, seconded by Susan Perry to authorize ESU #11 Administrator to apply for federal funds. Vote as follows: Karen Duncan, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; Ann Rodhouse, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Lorenda Forbes, yes. Motion carried, 7 yes, 0 no, 3 absent.

Motion made by Richard Phillips, seconded by Lorenda Forbes to approve the second reading of revised Article 2 Board Meetings. Vote as follows: Karen Duncan, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; Ann Rodhouse, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Lorenda Forbes, yes. Motion carried, 7 yes, 0 no, 3 absent.

Motion made by Susan Perry, seconded by Linda Leising to approve the first reading of revised Article 4 Personnel. Vote as follows: Karen Duncan, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; Ann Rodhouse, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Lorenda Forbes, yes. Motion carried, 7 yes, 0 no, 3 absent.

Dr. Tedesco reviewed the minutes from the October 2, 2013 ESUCC meeting held in Lincoln.

Motion made by Susan Perry, seconded by Gary Smidt to accept the recommendation to hire Lisa Robertson as a part-time paraeducator at New View in Oxford. Vote as follows: Karen Duncan, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; Ann Rodhouse, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Lorenda Forbes, yes. Motion carried, 7 yes, 0 no, 3 absent.

Motion made by Ann Rodhouse, seconded by Richard Phillips to approve the purchase of a Minivan vehicle with possible handicap accessible functions, not to exceed \$25,000.00. Vote as follows: Karen Duncan, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; Ann Rodhouse, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Lorenda Forbes, yes. Motion carried, 7 yes, 0 no, 3 absent.

Craig Peterson, Coordinator of Media/Technology, brought the Board up to date on the rebidding process for the TVDEC schools. The contract will expire June 30, 2014, and he is working with the State CIO office to see if a vendor will honor a bid that was placed previous to this year. If they will not honor this bid then the CIO's office will work with ESU 11 and the schools involved to rebid it as a State contract. Craig also demonstrated the Learning Object Repository Safari Montage and discussed how this will become both a delivery vehicle for digital video but also as a search tool to view the tangible media in the ESU 11 Media Center for check out. He also explained the other media formats that this supports and how the Service Unit may utilize it for an ebook consortium or recorded Staff Development.

Board of Educational Service Unit #11 took a tour of New View Facility and Grounds. Also, program presentations were made to the Board by Kylee Rhamy, New View teacher, and Julie Tarr, Preschool teacher.

Motion to go into Closed Session for the purpose of negotiations at 8:48 p.m. Motion made by Susan Perry, seconded by Gary Smidt. Vote as follows: Karen Duncan, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; Ann Rodhouse, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Lorenda Forbes, yes. Motion carried, 7 yes, 0 no, 3 absent.

Motion to come out of Closed Session at 9:41 p.m. Motion made by Susan Perry, seconded by Gary Smidt. Vote as follows: Karen Duncan, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; Ann Rodhouse, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Lorenda Forbes, yes. Motion carried, 7 yes, 0 no, 3 absent.

The next meeting of the Board of Educational Service Unit #11 will be held on November 18, 2013 at 5:00 p.m.

Karen Duncan declared the meeting adjourned at 9:41 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathy Whitten, Board Secretary