

**MINUTES OF THE ESU #11 BOARD MEETING  
APRIL 20, 2015**

The Board of Educational Service Unit #11 of the State of Nebraska, hereinafter referred to as ESU #11, held its regular monthly meeting at the Office Building in Holdrege, Nebraska on April 20, 2015 with the following members present: Kevin Breece, Gary Smidt, David Fleischmann, Susan Perry, Kim Scoville, Linda Leising, Craig Philips, and Karen Duncan. Lorenda Forbes and Richard Phillips were absent.

Public Notice that the regular monthly meeting of the Board of ESU #11 would be held on April 20, 2015 was published in one newspaper of general circulation in each of the six counties making up ESU #11 during the week of April 1, 2015 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.

Notification was made of the Open Meetings Law.

The Oath of Office was recited and signed by new member, Craig Philips. Craig also signed the ESU 11 Code of Ethics for Board Members.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on March 16, 2015 were approved as printed.

Motion made by Kevin Breece, seconded by David Fleischmann, that the General Fund Financial Report for March 2015 be accepted as presented. Vote as follows: Kevin Breece, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; David Fleischmann, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Kim Scoville, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Craig Philips, yes; and Karen Duncan, yes. Motion carried 8 yes, 0 no, 2 absent.

Motion made by David Fleischmann, seconded by Susan Perry, that the April 2015 General Fund Claims for Payment be approved in the amount of \$304,824.57 as presented. Vote as follows: Kevin Breece, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; David Fleischmann, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Kim Scoville, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Craig Philips, yes; and Karen Duncan, yes. Motion carried 8 yes, 0 no, 2 absent.

Paul Tedesco, Unit Administrator, discussed the Superintendents Advisory Meeting minutes that was held on April 2 and the minutes of the ESUCC Meeting held on April 7 and April 8, 2015.

Motion made by Linda Leising, seconded by Gary Smidt, that the Board of ESU #11 authorize the Administrator of ESU #11 to submit a proposal to the Nebraska State Department of Education for approval for ESU #11 to continue to provide administration and supervision for the IASA Title I Cooperative Remedial Reading and Math Program for the 2015-2016 school year on behalf of the ESU #11 member school districts. Vote as follows: Kevin Breece, yes;

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Gary Smidt, yes; David Fleischmann, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Kim Scoville, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Craig Philips, yes; and Karen Duncan, yes. Motion carried 8 yes, 0 no, 2 absent.

Motion made by Gary Smidt, seconded by David Fleischmann, to appoint Wade Gibson as the Media/Technology Coordinator. Vote as follows: Kevin Breece, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; David Fleischmann, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Kim Scoville, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Craig Philips, yes; and Karen Duncan, yes. Motion carried 8 yes, 0 no, 2 absent.

Motion made by David Fleischmann, seconded by Kim Scoville, to approve the 2015-2016 school year contract for the new Technology Consultant, Alex Wyatt. Vote as follows: Kevin Breece, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; David Fleischmann, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Kim Scoville, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Craig Philips, yes; and Karen Duncan, yes. Motion carried 8 yes, 0 no, 2 absent.

Motion made by Susan Perry, seconded by Gary Smidt, to accept with deep regret the resignation of Language Resource Teacher, Susan Young. Vote as follows: Kevin Breece, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; David Fleischmann, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Kim Scoville, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Craig Philips, yes; and Karen Duncan, yes. Motion carried 8 yes, 0 no, 2 absent.

Motion made by Kevin Breece, seconded by Linda Leising, to accept with deep regret the resignation of Special Education Administrative Assistant, Sandy Kraus. Vote as follows: Kevin Breece, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; David Fleischmann, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Kim Scoville, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Craig Philips, yes; and Karen Duncan, yes. Motion carried 8 yes, 0 no, 2 absent.

Motion made by David Fleischmann, seconded by Susan Perry, to approve the ESU #11 School Calendar for the 2015-2016 contract year. Vote as follows: Kevin Breece, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; David Fleischmann, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Kim Scoville, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Craig Philips, yes; and Karen Duncan, yes. Motion carried 8 yes, 0 no, 2 absent.

Motion made by Gary Smidt, seconded by Craig Philips, to accept the recommendations regarding renewal of employment contracts for certified employees for the 2015-2016 contract period. Vote as follows: Kevin Breece, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; David Fleischmann, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Kim Scoville, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Craig Philips, yes; and Karen Duncan, yes. Motion carried 8 yes, 0 no, 2 absent.

Motion made by David Fleischmann, seconded by Susan Perry, to accept the recommendations regarding renewal of employment contracts for classified employees for the 2015-2016 contract period with the revision of Sandy Kraus's contract dates from May 21<sup>st</sup> through June 12<sup>th</sup>. Vote as follows: Kevin Breece, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; David Fleischmann, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Kim Scoville, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Craig Philips, yes; and Karen Duncan, yes. Motion carried 8 yes, 0 no, 2 absent.

Motion made by David Fleischmann, seconded by Susan Perry, to accept the recommendations regarding renewal of employment contracts for Directors, Coordinators, and Administrator. Vote as follows: Kevin Breece, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; David Fleischmann, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Kim Scoville, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Craig Philips, yes; and Karen Duncan, yes. Motion carried 8 yes, 0 no, 2 absent.

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Motion made by Kevin Breece, seconded by David Fleischmann, to approve the solicitation of auditor bids. Vote as follows: Kevin Breece, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; David Fleischmann, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Kim Scoville, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Craig Philips, yes; and Karen Duncan, yes. Motion carried 8 yes, 0 no, 2 absent.

Motion made by Susan Perry, seconded by Kim Scoville, to approve the revised Interlocal Agreement with ESUCC for COOP personnel. Vote as follows: Kevin Breece, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; David Fleischmann, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Kim Scoville, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Craig Philips, yes; and Karen Duncan, yes. Motion carried 8 yes, 0 no, 2 absent.

Janelle Jack, Gifted Education Services Coordinator, shared with the board that she would appreciate any help with Summer Honors Housing that would be possible. She also shared that things were winding up with activities, including the ESU 11 and State Quiz Bowl on Wednesday, April 29. She then visited with the board about adding some music to SHP, and an interesting discussion followed. She was late arriving at the meeting as she was helping with the Fort Kearny Quiz Bowl in Wilcox. She reported that Elwood won, with Elm Creek finishing second and Wilcox-Hildreth finishing third.

Paul Tedesco, Unit Administrator, reported to the Board information on the 2015-2016 Core Dollars. The Board also briefly discussed the benefits of NSBA membership.

The next meeting of the Board of Educational Service Unit #11 will be held on May 18, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

Karen Duncan declared the meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lorenda Forbes, Board Secretary