

**MINUTES OF THE ESU #11 BOARD MEETING
MAY 16, 2016**

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 May 16, 2016 with the following members present: Kevin Breece, Karen Duncan, David Fleischmann, Lorenda Forbes, Linda Leising, Susan Perry, Craig Philips, Richard Phillips, Kim Scoville, and Gary Smidt.

Notification was made of the Open Meetings Law.

Public Notice that the regular monthly meeting of the Board of ESU #11 would be held on May 16, 2016 was published in one newspaper of general circulation in each of the six counties making up ESU #11 during the week of May 2, 2016 and broadcast over radio stations KUVR and KRVN. 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.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on April 18, 2016 were approved as printed.

Motion made by Richard Phillips, seconded by Linda Leising that the General Fund Financial Report for April 2016 be accepted as presented. Vote as follows: Kevin Breece, yes; Karen Duncan, yes; David Fleischmann, yes; Lorenda Forbes, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Craig Philips, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; Kim Scoville, yes; and Gary Smidt, yes. Motion carried 10 yes, 0 no, 0 absent.

Motion made by Lorenda Forbes, seconded by Gary Smidt, that the May 2016 General Fund claims for payment be approved in the amount of \$151,044.71 and the April 2016 expenses after the Board Meeting of \$228,061.03. Vote as follows: Kevin Breece, yes; Karen Duncan, yes; David Fleischmann, yes; Lorenda Forbes, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Craig Philips, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; Kim Scoville, yes; and Gary Smidt, yes. Motion carried 10 yes, 0 no, 0 absent.

Motion made by Susan Perry, seconded by Kim Scoville, to appoint Mabelle Havenridge as Director of District 10 Board Member starting June 1, 2016. Vote as follows: Kevin Breece, yes; Karen Duncan, yes; David Fleischmann, yes; Lorenda Forbes, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Craig Philips, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; Kim Scoville, yes; and Gary Smidt, yes. Motion carried 10 yes, 0 no, 0 absent.

Paul Tedesco, Unit Administrator, reviewed the minutes of the May 4, 2016 ESUCC Meeting.

Paul Tedesco, Unit Administrator, presented information and discussed the proposed 2016-2017 State Core Dollars.

Motion made by Linda Leising, seconded by Lorenda Forbes, to approve the ESUCC Master Service Agreement for 2016-2017. Vote as follows: Kevin Breece, yes; Karen Duncan, yes; David Fleischmann, yes; Lorenda Forbes, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Craig Philips, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; Kim Scoville, yes; and Gary Smidt, yes. Motion carried 10 yes, 0 no, 0 absent.

Motion made by Susan Perry, seconded by Karen Duncan, to amend the contract of Barb Long due to reduction in force. Vote as follows: Kevin Breece, yes; Karen Duncan, yes; David Fleischmann, yes; Lorenda Forbes, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Craig Philips, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; Kim Scoville, yes; and Gary Smidt, yes. Motion carried 10 yes, 0 no, 0 absent.

Motion made by Richard Phillips, seconded by Gary Smidt, to approve full time Speech Language Pathologist, Sarah McDiarmid, and .75 FTE Speech Language Pathologist, Lesa Clifford. Vote as follows: Kevin Breece, yes; Karen Duncan, yes; David Fleischmann, yes; Lorenda Forbes, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Craig Philips, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; Kim Scoville, yes; and Gary Smidt, yes. Motion carried 10 yes, 0 no, 0 absent.

Motion made by Linda Leising, seconded by Lorenda Forbes, to approve the one-year contract for Interim Transition Assistant, Susan Young. Vote as follows: Kevin Breece, yes; Karen Duncan, yes; David Fleischmann, yes; Lorenda Forbes, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Craig Philips, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; Kim Scoville, yes; and Gary Smidt, yes. Motion carried 10 yes, 0 no, 0 absent.

Janelle Jack, Gifted Education Coordinator, reported that the Gifted Department is getting ready for Summer Honors, and this year PayPal was used to collect payments. A few changes have been made in the Medical Science program. Unfortunately, UNMC informed Janelle that they were no longer offering the student program. This year the Medical Science students will spend one day in Hastings with Justin Wenburg, MD; and visit Hastings College and Mary Lanning Hospital. They will spend another day at CHI in Kearney, UNK, and North View with Dr. Marshall. The students will also have the opportunity to meet with Dr. Sand at Holdrege Family Dental, Dr. Hytrek at Holdrege Family Vision, Ryan Bauer at Nelson-Bauer Funeral Home, and Jon McClymont, pharmacist at Phelps Memorial Health Center. Janelle informed the Board that the Gifted department hosted musician, David Seay, at the Nebraska Prairie Museum who taught 100 fourth graders how to play the harmonica. Janelle will be attending conferences and classes this summer to strengthen and broaden ideas for the gifted program. She reported that the Rural School activity is scheduled for August 22nd through September 2nd. Janelle is working on scheduling Dr. Richard Cash in cooperation with ESU 10 and the Nebraska Association for the Gifted for a conference on differentiation in October.

Kate Hatch, Director of Staff Development Services, informed the Board that LB930 passed during the legislation session. It states that all 11th graders will take the ACT test in 2018. Eleventh graders will not be required to take the NeSA tests or

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standardized tests. To date, there are many questions that remain unanswered about this process. NDE is considering running a pilot in 2016-17 to gather data from school districts. Currently, 88% of Nebraska students take the ACT test. NDE is hopeful that specific details regarding statewide testing will be available at the end of July during Administrator Days. Kate reported that many operational issues occurred during this year's statewide writing assessment. Research is currently being done to determine if the errors that occurred are significant enough to warrant invalid scores in grades 8 and 11.

Wade, Media/Technology Coordinator, reported to the Board that the Tech Department is working on a group purchase of the JAMF Casper Suite. This management software will allow schools with iPads to utilize the new features available from Apple. By working together and combining licenses, the five participating districts will be able to take advantage of a volume purchase discount. Wade also reported the recent work he and Alex have done at Wilcox in regards to the wiring of their new Ag building. Wade mentioned that he assisted Elwood with an E-Rate Category 2 project to purchase some additional network equipment this summer. He also demonstrated a new wireless access point that has a built-in public address system and discussed some of the potential this may have for schools.

Paul Tedesco, Unit Administrator, reported that all contracts for the 2016-2017 year have been issued, and he extended an invitation to all Board Members to the Staff Year End BBQ on Friday, May 20th.

The next meeting of the Board of Educational Service Unit #11 will be held on June 20, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

David Fleischmann declared the meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lorenda Forbes, Board Secretary