

**MINUTES OF THE ESU #11 BOARD MEETING  
AUGUST 15, 2016**

The Board of Educational Service Unit #11 of the State of Nebraska, hereinafter referred to as ESU #11, held its regular meeting at the Office Building in Holdrege, Nebraska on August 15, 2016 with the following members present: Kevin Breece, David Fleischmann, Lorenda Forbes, Machelles Havenridge, Linda Leising, Susan Perry, Craig Philips, Richard Phillips, and Gary Smidt. Kim Scoville was absent.

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 August 15, 2016 was published in one newspaper of general circulation in each of the six counties making up ESU #11 during the week of August 1, 2016 and broadcast over radio stations KUVR and KRVN on August 3, 2016. 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 Lorenda Forbes, seconded by Susan Perry, to approve the absence of Kim Scoville. Vote as follows: Kevin Breece, yes; David Fleischmann, yes; Lorenda Forbes, yes; Machelles Havenridge, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Craig Philips, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; and Gary Smidt, yes. Motion carried 9 yes, 0 no, 1 absent.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on June 20, 2016 were approved as printed.

Paul Tedesco, Unit Administrator, presented the General Fund Financial Report for June and July 2016. Motion made by Susan Perry, seconded by Richard Phillips, that the General Fund Financial Reports be accepted as presented. Vote as follows: Kevin Breece, yes; David Fleischmann, yes; Lorenda Forbes, yes; Machelles Havenridge, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Craig Philips, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; and Gary Smidt, yes. Motion carried 9 yes, 0 no, 1 absent.

Motion made by Richard Phillips, seconded by Linda Leising, that the June 2016 expenses after the Board Meeting in the amount of \$227,747.98, the July 2016 General Fund Claims for Payment in the amount of \$311,124.01, and the August 2016 General Fund Claims for Payment in the amount of \$148,284.31 be approved for payment. Vote as follows: Kevin Breece, yes; David Fleischmann, yes; Lorenda Forbes, yes; Machelles

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Havenridge, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Craig Philips, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; and Gary Smidt, yes. Motion carried 9 yes, 0 no, 1 absent.

Paul Tedesco, Unit Administrator, reviewed the minutes from the ESUCC Meeting held on July 27, 2016.

The Board discussed facility usage options for the downtown Holdrege Preschool site. The Board talked about whether to keep or sell the building and requested information on what the ESU paid for the building originally and what the building is worth now. The Board has not made a decision at this time.

Motion made by Gary Smidt, seconded by Kevin Breece, to sell the items no longer needed at the Holdrege Preschool with advertisement of the items on the ESU 11 web site. Vote as follows: Kevin Breece, yes; David Fleischmann, yes; Lorenda Forbes, yes; Machelles Havenridge, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Craig Philips, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; and Gary Smidt, yes. Motion carried 9 yes, 0 no, 1 absent.

Paul Tedesco, Unit Administrator, informed the Board that the Southern Valley Superintendent has inquired about the possibility of providing their own preschool services for 2017-18. Southern Valley has also shown interest in purchasing the UP 4 Kids/New View building in Oxford.

Motion made by Linda Leising, seconded by Susan Perry, to approve the designated banks for ESU 11 as listed in Attachment III as well as ESU 11 Administrator, Paul Tedesco and ESU 11 Treasurer, Elizabeth Piening as authorized signers for those accounts, excluding the ESU 11 General Fund Account. This motion also approved David Fleischmann, ESU Board President, and Lorenda Forbes, ESU Board Secretary, as authorized signees for the ESU 11 General Fund Account. Lastly, the motion approved Kevin Breece, ESU Board Member, as an alternate signee, along with Susan Perry, ESU Board Member, and Paul Tedesco, ESU 11 Administrator, for the ESU 11 General Fund Account. Vote as follows: Kevin Breece, yes; David Fleischmann, yes; Lorenda Forbes, yes; Machelles Havenridge, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Craig Philips, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; and Gary Smidt, yes. Motion carried 9 yes, 0 no, 1 absent.

Motion made by Richard Phillips, seconded by Craig Philips, to set Monday, September 19, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. for the budget public hearings that must be held prior to adopting the 2016-2017 General Fund budget and to set the public hearing to set the tax request and levy for ESU #11 for Monday, September 19, 2016, following the budget hearing. Vote as follows: Kevin Breece, yes; David Fleischmann, yes; Lorenda Forbes, yes; Machelles Havenridge, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Craig Philips, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; and Gary Smidt, yes. Motion carried 9 yes, 0 no, 1 absent.

Motion made by Susan Perry, seconded by Craig Philips, to accept the resolution to raise restricted funds (property tax) portion of the general fund budget for the 2016-2017 fiscal year by the allowable rate of one percent, in accordance with the provisions set forth in LB 299. Vote as follows: Kevin Breece, yes; David Fleischmann, yes;

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Lorenda Forbes, yes; Machelles Havenridge, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Craig Philips, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; and Gary Smidt, yes. Motion carried 9 yes, 0 no, 1 absent.

Paul Tedesco, Unit Administrator, presented to the Board a preliminary review of the 2016-2017 budget. He also presented a comparison study of ESU Budgets from 2008 to the current year.

Motion made by Linda Leising, seconded by Kevin Breece, to designate Karen Haase of KSB Law Firm as legal counsel for ESU #11 for the 2016-17 fiscal year. Vote as follows: Kevin Breece, yes; David Fleischmann, yes; Lorenda Forbes, yes; Machelles Havenridge, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Craig Philips, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; and Gary Smidt, yes. Motion carried 9 yes, 0 no, 1 absent.

Motion made by Susan Perry, seconded by Machelles Havenridge, to appoint Hallin Repair in Oxford to serve quarterly inspections for the New View van. Vote as follows: Kevin Breece, yes; David Fleischmann, yes; Lorenda Forbes, yes; Machelles Havenridge, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Susan Perry, yes; Craig Philips, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; and Gary Smidt, yes. Motion carried 9 yes, 0 no, 1 absent.

Janelle Jack, Gifted Education Coordinator, talked to the Board about the Summer Honors Program. She shared the results of the 2016 student survey as well as information about the teacher workshop that was held on June 16. All of the SHP instructors were present at this meeting, and the goals and plans for Summer Honors were discussed. The results of the student survey show that the students are pleased with the current schedule and offerings of the program. Next year (2017) will be the 40th anniversary for the program and a special celebration is in the planning process. Janelle also plans to compile a Medical Science Board to make sure the program is carried out in the best interest of the students. The ESU 11 Board offered to help Janelle with any suggestions that had arisen and also offered to help with promotion of the Summer Honors Program in the ESU district communities.

Paul Tedesco, Unit Administrator, talked about the budget process for the 2016-2017 fiscal year. Paul has been in contact with the new Superintendents at Arapahoe and Cambridge Public Schools, and also discussed the repairs made at New View due to a water leak that occurred this summer.

The next meeting of the Board of Educational Service Unit #11 and the 2016-2017 Budget/Property Tax Hearings will be held on September 19, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

David Fleischmann called the meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lorenda Forbes, Board Secretary