

**MINUTES OF THE ESU #11 BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 20, 2018**

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 20, 2018 with the following members present: David Fleischmann, Machelles Havenridge, Linda Leising, Mary Oman, Craig Philips, Richard Phillips, Kim Scoville, Gary Smidt, and Nate Stineman.

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 20, 2018 was published in one newspaper of general circulation in each of the six counties making up ESU #11 during the week of July 30, 2018 and broadcast over radio stations KUVR and KRVN on August 1, 2018. 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 Craig Philips, to excuse the absence of Kevin Breece. Vote as follows: David Fleischmann, yes; Machelles Havenridge, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Mary Oman, yes; Craig Philips, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; Kim Scoville, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; and Nate Stineman, yes. Motion carried 9 yes, 0 no, 1 absent.

Board President, David Fleischmann, opened the meeting for public comments from guests. No guests were present. President Fleischmann closed the guest section and moved on to the next agenda item.

Dr. Barnes reviewed the consent agenda items, including the minutes from the June 18, 2018 meeting and the financial reports and claims. Motion made by Mary Oman, seconded by Kim Scoville to approve the consent agenda as presented. Vote as follows: David Fleischmann, yes; Machelles Havenridge, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Mary Oman, yes; Craig Philips, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; Kim Scoville, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; and Nate Stineman, yes. Motion carried 9 yes, 0 no, 1 absent.

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Dr. Barnes updated the Board on the mobile STEM Trailer project for district schools. Motion made by Nate Stineman, seconded by Machelles Havenridge, to approve fund raising for the STEM Trailer project. Vote as follows: David Fleischmann, yes; Machelles Havenridge, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Mary Oman, yes; Craig Philips, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; Kim Scoville, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; and Nate Stineman, yes. Motion carried 9 yes, 0 no, 1 absent.

Motion made by Richard Phillips, seconded by Linda Leising, to accept the resolution to raise restricted funds (property tax) portion of the general fund budget for the 2018-2019 fiscal year by the allowable rate of one percent, in accordance with the provisions set forth in LB 299. Vote as follows: David Fleischmann, yes; Machelles Havenridge, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Mary Oman, yes; Craig Philips, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; Kim Scoville, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; and Nate Stineman, yes. Motion carried 9 yes, 0 no, 1 absent.

Motion made by Nate Stineman, seconded by Gary Smidt, to designate KSB Law Firm as legal counsel for ESU #11 for the 2018-19 fiscal year. Vote as follows: David Fleischmann, yes; Machelles Havenridge, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Mary Oman, yes; Craig Philips, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; Kim Scoville, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; and Nate Stineman, yes. Motion carried 9 yes, 0 no, 1 absent.

Dr. Barnes discussed updated board policies from PGH&G Law firm. Motion made by Linda Leising, seconded by Mary Oman, to approve the policy changes as presented. Vote as follows: David Fleischmann, yes; Machelles Havenridge, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Mary Oman, yes; Craig Philips, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; Kim Scoville, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; and Nate Stineman, yes. Motion carried 9 yes, 0 no, 1 absent.

Motion made by Gary Smidt, seconded by Craig Philips, to approve the sale or disposal of office equipment as presented. Vote as follows: David Fleischmann, yes; Machelles Havenridge, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Mary Oman, yes; Craig Philips, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; Kim Scoville, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; and Nate Stineman, yes. Motion carried 9 yes, 0 no, 1 absent.

Motion made by Richard Phillips, seconded by Machelles Havenridge, to approve the installation and maintenance proposal from Quality Sound and Water for the 2i Water Unit. Vote as follows: David Fleischmann, yes; Machelles Havenridge, yes; Linda Leising, yes; Mary Oman, yes; Craig Philips, yes; Richard Phillips, yes; Kim Scoville, yes; Gary Smidt, yes; and Nate Stineman, yes. Motion carried 9 yes, 0 no, 1 absent.

Dr. Barnes discussed ESUCC's interest in the Nebraskans United for Property Tax Relief and Education Resolution.

Janelle Jack, Gifted Education Coordinator, presented a short film on the highlights of Summer Honors 2018 and is starting to work on SHP 2019. Janelle has visited several of the districts to establish dates to work with high ability students in the upcoming year. She is hosting a HAL Advisory meeting on August 21st to update the

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schools on the activities for the year. The Gifted Department is also working on the High Ability Data Collection documents needed by the state. Janelle is looking forward to working with Micah Huyser, the Interim Director of the Nebraska Prairie Museum. She will be spending eight days at the museum for the Rural School Activity.

Lona Nelson-Milks, Special Education Director, reported to the Board that ESU 11 has received the PEaK Project from NDE to support our thirteen districts with their Targeted Improvement Plan. Districts developed a goal to address gap in performance of students in special education compared to peers. It is the third year in the Targeted Improvement Plan. Lona, ESU 11 School Psychologists, and Kate Hatch will attend the MTSS Conference in Lincoln to assist schools with their overall system-wide approach to analyzing student performance data and determining interventions. The Planning Region Team is hosting the Making Sense of Sensory training on August 24th and have 61 people registered. Last, Lona informed the Board on the upcoming coding changes due to Every Student Succeeds Act. A new SPED time log has been implemented for staff to complete to help compile a percentage of time spent with elementary, middle school, and high school students.

Kate Hatch, Staff Development Director, reported that the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) requires each state to determine a process for designation of schools most needing support. These supports fall into three categories. Comprehensive Support and Improvement: lowest performing 5% of Title I schools, public high schools with a four-year adjusted cohort graduation rate of 67% or below, and/or schools participating in Targeted Support and Improvement that did not improve over a state-determined number of years. Targeted Support and Improvement: Schools with consistently underperforming subgroup(s) or low-performing subgroup(s) over a state-designated period of time. Additional Targeted Support and Improvement: Any school in which one or more subgroups of students is performing at or below the performance of all students in the lowest performing schools.

Wade Gibson, Media/Technology Coordinator, reported to the Board a review of summer projects completed. Ten new firewalls, 274 wireless access points, and 30 new switches were installed at various districts. The Technology Department also completed point-to-point wireless projects at Franklin and Wilcox. Loomis recently ordered 20 new wireless access points, which Wade and Alex configured and will install soon. Wade noted that the Mosyle management system is up and running and has been working well for the start of the year. The LAN Managers meeting is scheduled for October 10, and the Librarian/Media Specialist meeting is on October 17.

Greg Barnes, Unit Administrator, reported that he is working on the 2018-2019 budget and reminded the Board about the budget work session on Monday, August 27. Dr. Barnes talked about board vacancies in District 3 and District 9 coming up in 2019; and also informed the Board that the State Auditor will be at the ESU in October 2018.

The next special meeting (budget work session) of the Board of Educational Service Unit #11 will occur on August 27, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. The next regular meeting of

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the Board of Educational Service Unit #11 and the 2018-2019 Budget/Property Tax Hearings will be held on September 17, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

David Fleischmann called the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kevin Breece, Board Secretary