

OFFICIAL MINUTES
 REGULAR MEETING
 BOARD OF EDUCATIONAL
 SERVICE UNIT NO. 13

The regular meeting of the Board of Educational Service Unit No. 13 (ESU 13) was called to order by President Mark Sinner on Tuesday, April 18, 2023 at 7:00 PM at the ESU 13 Main Office, 4215 Avenue I, Scottsbluff, NE. The meeting notice was published in the Star-Herald on Thursday, April 13, 2023.

President Sinner referenced the Nebraska Open Meetings Act as posted and noted that the Board reserves the right to rearrange the order of the agenda and to convene an executive session in accordance with § 84-1410.

Present: Diane Coon, Steve Diemoz, Tim Horn, Patricia Jones, Bill Knapper, Scott Marsh, Kim Marx, Tom Millette, Casper Ningen, Ray Richards, Mark Sinner, Dr. Caroline Winchester, Dr. Laura Barrett - Administrator, Jodi Walker - Business Manager, and Desira Martin - Treasurer.

Absent: None.

Moved by Richards, seconded by Marsh, that the agenda be approved as listed. Aye: Coon, Diemoz, Horn, Jones, Knapper, Marx, Millette, Ningen, Sinner, Winchester. Nay: none. Absent: None. Motion passed.

Training for Sparq Data Electronic Meetings was provided by Nicole Kobus of NASB.

Moved by Knapper, seconded by Jones, that consent action items be approved as listed with the exception of the March Board Minutes (Treasurer's Report, Fund Balance Report, Budget Summary, Claims, Certified Staff Resignations: Sara Peterson, Teacher of the Deaf/Hard of Hearing, and Certificated Hires/Changes for 2023-24: Angela Borgmann, Early Childhood teacher, Cierra Weatherfield, Inclusive Practices Mentor/Coach, Katherine Kleine, teacher, Speech/Language Pathology, Jeff Jackson, teacher, Panhandle Beginnings, Maria Hill, teacher, Panhandle Beginnings. Aye: Coon, Diemoz, Horn, Marsh, Marx, Millette, Ningen, Richards, Sinner, Winchester. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion passed.

Moved by Knapper, seconded by Marsh, that the March Board Minutes be approved. Aye: Coon, Diemoz, Horn, Jones, Marx, Millette, Ningen, Richards, Sinner, Winchester. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion passed.

The following General Fund claims were approved for payment:

April 2023 Approved Claims	
Salaries, Benefits	\$942,937.41
Prof. & Tech. Services; Mileage	\$107,851.04
Leases, Utilities & Maintenance	\$21,829.08
Copies, Postage, Telephone & Travel	\$65,684.02
Supplies, Materials, Software & other Util.	\$111,123.95
Bldg. Improvements, Furn., Equipment, Hardware, Vehicle Acquisition	\$4,860.00

April 2023 Approved Claims	
Dues, Fees & Ind. Costs	(\$2,664.34)
Total	\$1,251,621.16

Calendar items were noted.

No Public Forum.

Reports:

Board member Jones attended the NRCSA Spring Conference that was held March 23 & 24 and reported on sessions she attended.

Krystie Hohnstein, Head Start Director, reported that the Head Start program is applying for a Childcare Stabilization grant through DHHS. The program is fulfilling the requirements with staff attending Prepare to Care classes through NDE. Dr. Walker, Program Specialist at Administration of Children and Families / Office of Head Start will be visiting the Head Start locations in May. GOLD Outcomes questions were answered.

Administrator's Report:

- Dr. Barrett discussed a summary of the Internal/External Survey results.
- Facility updates:
 - HVAC Phase II update will begin May 30, 2023
 - ESU 13 is in the process of updating our controlled entry system, and the phone system at CDC and the Head Start Bridgeport location.

Committee Comments: none.

Board Comments: none.

Business:

It is the consensus of the ESU 13 Board that it does not approve of the usage of our buses for Camp Scott during their summer 2023 program.

Moved by Knapper, seconded by Marsh, that the Board approve the personnel committee's recommendation to renew the VSP Choice Plan B. Aye: Coon, Diemoz, Horn, Jones, Marx, Millette, Ningen, Richards, Sinner, Winchester. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion passed.

Moved by Sinner, seconded by Horn, that the Board adopt ESU 13's 2023 Mental Health Month Proclamation. Aye: Coon, Diemoz, Jones, Knapper, Marsh, Marx, Millette, Ningen, Richards, Winchester. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion passed.

Moved by Winchester, seconded by Marx, that the above listed minutes be approved as read. Aye: Coon, Diemoz, Horn, Jones, Knapper, Marsh, Millette, Ningen, Richards, Sinner. Nay: none. Absent: none. Motion passed.

President Sinner declared the regular meeting adjourned. Next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 16, 2023 at ESU 13 Main Office, 4215 Avenue I, Scottsbluff, NE.