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, December 20, 2022, 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 Friday, December 16, 2022.

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: Steve Diemoz, Don Egging, Patricia Jones, Bill Knapper, Scott Marsh, Tom Millette, Ray Richards, Mark Sinner, Dr. Caroline Winchester, Casper Ningen - Board member-elect, Dr. Laura Barrett - Administrator, Jodi Walker - Business Manager, and Desira Martin - Treasurer.

Absent: Diane Coon, Tim Horn, and Kim Marx.

Moved by Winchester, seconded by Marsh, that absent Board members Coon, Horn, and Marx be excused. Aye: Diemoz, Egging, Jones, Knapper, Millette, Richards, Sinner. Nay: none. Absent: Coon, Horn, Marx. Motion passed.

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

Moved by Millette, seconded by Egging, that consent action items be approved as listed (Minutes of November regular meeting, Treasurer's Report, Fund Balance Report, Budget Summary, Claims, and Certificated Staff: Bobbie Moseman - Addendum to second semester contract; Caitlyn Weaver, School Psychologist - contract for 2023-2024 school year). Aye: Diemoz, Jones, Knapper, Marsh, Richards, Sinner, Winchester. Nay: none. Absent: Coon, Horn, Marx. Motion passed.

The following General Fund claims were approved for payment:

December 2022 Claims	
Salaries, Benefits	\$967,452.92
Prof. & Tech. Services; Mileage	\$97,644.83
Leases, Utilities & Maintenance	\$27,141.94
Copies, Postage, Telephone & Travel	\$74,793.70
Supplies, Materials, Software & other Util.	\$148,174.19
Bldg. Improvements, Furn., Equipment, Hardware, Vehicle Acquisition	\$5,665.51
Transfer for Investments	
Dues, Fees & Ind. Costs	\$358.00
Total	\$1,321,231.09

Calendar items were noted.

No Public Forum.

Reports:

Deirdre Amundsen, Director of Professional Learning, presented Accountability in Nebraska: Classification & Designation.

State Education Conference: Knapper and Diemoz reported on sessions attended.

AESA Annual Conference: Richards, Sinner, Diemoz, and Dr. Barrett reported on sessions attended.

Head Start Director's Report for November: Reduction Application was approved. Continuation Grant has been submitted.

Administrator's Report Highlights:

- Construction on the Administration office area that was formerly the receptionist's desk will occur over the break.
- Dr. Barrett extended her gratitude to Don Egging for serving on the ESU Board for 22 years.

Board Committee Reports: no discussion.

Board Member Comments: Jones led discussion on Al apps. Richards commended the Meridian School Christmas program and the VALTS graduation. President Sinner called for a recess to present Don Egging a plaque for his years serving on the ESU Board.

## **Business:**

Moved by Millette, seconded by Jones, that the Board approve the Administrator's recommendation to purchase a 2023 Toyota Sienna XLE Hybrid from Team Toyota in the amount of \$42,365 for the Head Start Program. Aye: Diemoz, Egging, Marsh, Knapper, Richards, Sinner, Winchester. Nay: none. Absent: Coon, Horn, Marx. Motion passed.

Moved by Richards, seconded by Marsh, that the Board approve the recommendation of the Building & Grounds Committee to award the HVAC & Lighting Replacement project to Anderson Shaw Construction in the amount of \$191,646.59. Aye: Diemoz, Egging, Jones, Knapper, Millette, Sinner, Winchester. Nay: none. Absent: Coon, Horn, Marx. Motion passed.

Moved by Knapper, seconded by Egging, that the Board approve ESU 13's participation in the Nebraska Cyber Security Network Inter-Local Agreement. Aye: Diemoz, Jones, Marsh, Millette, Richards, Sinner, Winchester. Nay: none. Absent: Coon, Horn, Marx. Motion passed.

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

President Sinner declared the regular meeting adjourned. Next regular meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 17, 2023 at ESU 13 Main Office, 4215 Avenue I, Scottsbluff, NE.