

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
AUGUST 16, 2010

The meeting of the Board of Education of Dixon County School District 1 (also known as Ponca Public Schools) was convened in open and public session on Monday, August 16, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. in the elementary media center. Advance notice of the meeting was publicly posted and given to all members of the Board of Education. Members present were Richard Dohma, Kenton Book, Phil Kramper, and John Gill. Absent: Doug Rickett, Gary Smith. Others present were Prin. Michelle Rinas, Prin. Bob Hayes, Sec. Lorrie Huston and 5 visitors.

The meeting was called to order by President Richard Dohma. A motion was made by Gill, seconded by Book, to approve the Agenda. M.C.U. Gary Smith joined the meeting at 7:34 p.m. The consent agenda was approved on a motion by Kramper, second by Book. M.C.U. The consent agenda included the following: the minutes of the July 19, 2010 Board Meeting; the Treasurer's report showing a General Fund balance of \$604,446.30; the Hot Lunch Fund report showing a balance of \$6,594.46; the Ponca Activities Fund showing a balance of \$66,460.89; the Jackson Activity Fund showing a balance of \$2,971.50; the General Fund bills of \$51,874.19; Building Fund checks of \$8,444.00; Construction Payment requisition of \$282,348.00; 2010-11 option enrollments into the District for Brittany Irvin and Daityn Wiig; 2010-11 option enrollment out of the District for Shelby Jacobsen; the appointment of Greg Pollard as the 2010-11 Junior High Girls Basketball Coach; and the increase of Spanish teacher Jennifer Hartman's contract from .875 FTE to 1.0 FTE.

**Administrative Reports:**

Principal Rinas gave her annual Multicultural Education Report to the Board. She covered the various ways that respect and tolerance are taught in each grade and subject.

Principal Hayes shared that all of the classrooms are ready for the first day of school on August 18<sup>th</sup> and the Elementary Faculty will begin research of a new reading series. Athletic Director Hayes informed the Board of the scheduled football game during week zero of the NSAA calendar.

Supt. Thompson stated that he was glad to be back. He presented information on ACT scores, the increase in enrollment this year, and the school construction. The State Fire Marshall notified the school that the current 5<sup>th</sup> Grade classroom (Mrs. Stewart's) was no longer to be used as a classroom. It is no longer safe as a classroom as it is not sprinkled and the egress windows lead into the construction site. A plan of action will be discussed in the near future.

Nick Sullivan, Sr. gave a presentation to the Board on preservation of the school's class composites. The alumni association is heading the effort to compile the photos for display in the new school building. Donations are being accepted by the association. A plan to disperse the originals was discussed but no action was taken.

Jeremy and Michelle Bacon approached the Board to request bus or van transportation after school into the Hubbard school district. No action was taken.

After discussion, Kramper made a motion to amend the 2010-11 school calendar as follows: on November 8, 2010 there will be no school for the students but it will be a work day for the faculty. Ponca is hosting the L & C Conference Lewis schools' Vocal Music Clinic on that day. The motion was seconded by Gill. M.C.U.

Item number D, "Substitute Teacher Policy" was stricken from the agenda as no action was needed.

With a motion by Book, second by Smith, the second reading of Board Policy 6.53 "Students Dating Violence" was approved. M.C.U.

Supt. Thompson presented documents associated with the District's 403(b) program from Retirement Plan Consultants, LLC. The documents reflected changes in IRS regulations. The changes were approved by the Board on a motion by Gill, second by Book. M.C.U.

A preliminary budget review was done by Supt. Thompson. He reminded members of the Special Board meeting on August 26, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. to further discuss the figures.

At 8:51 p.m., with a motion by Gill, second by Smith, the Board went into executive session for "the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual, and if the individual has not requested a public meeting." M.C.U. President Dohma declared the session over at 9:42 p.m.

Book made a motion to set Principal Bob Hayes' salary at \$69,000 which includes the scheduled step amount plus the Elementary Principal's stipend. Elementary Principal duties will be from pre-K through second grade in Jackson and third through sixth grade in Ponca. Mr. Hayes will also continue as the Athletic Director and Boys Basketball Coach. Salary percentages will be figured on the scheduled step amount. Gill seconded the motion. M.C.U.

At 9:44 p.m., there being no further business, a motion was made by Kramper, seconded by Gill, to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorrie Huston, Secretary