

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 18, 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, January 18, 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, Gary Smith and John Gill. Absent: Doug Rickett. Others present were Supt. William Thompson, Prin. Michelle Rinas, Prin. Bob Hayes, Sec. Lorrie Huston and 6 visitors.

The meeting was called to order by President Richard Dohma. A motion was made by Book, second by Smith, to approve the Agenda. M.C.U. The consent agenda was approved on a motion by Gill, second by Kramper. M.C.U. The consent agenda included the following: the minutes of the December 21, 2009 Board Meeting; the Treasurer's report showing a General Fund balance of \$157,018.47; the Hot Lunch Fund report showing a balance of \$8,725.05; the Ponca Activities Fund showing a balance of \$55,598.37; the Jackson Activity Fund showing a balance of \$3,202.52; the General Fund bills of \$130,040.06; Building Fund checks of \$226,335.96; and the recommendation to approve Meagan Pieper as Head Girls' Volleyball Coach for the 2010-11 school year.

Administrative Reports:

Prin. Rinas reported that the faculty worked on curriculum development during the January 4th in-service. She also recognized Class C2 All State Band qualifiers Korah Kramper and Aaron Bostwick as well as WSC Honor Band qualifiers Lauren Conrad, Abby Watchorn and Aaron Bostwick.

Prin. Hayes informed the board that Jackson elementary had done Aimsweb testing, that report cards had gone out and that he had received positive comments about Power School from parents. Hayes also told board members that the NSAA is looking at reorganizing the State Football Playoff schedule for this fall.

Supt. Thompson clarified that the bill to Joseph Hewgley and Associates in the amount of \$168,903.11 would be paid as the money becomes available from the sale of bonds. He also informed the Board of the following items: Ponca and Hartington schools are in charge of the WSC Honor Band Concert on January 23rd; the State Legislature is in session from Jan. 6th to April 14th; the filing deadline for Board of Education candidates to file is February 15th; six days of school have been missed so far this school year; Superintendent evaluation forms will be sent to all board members; State Aid for the 2011-12 school year will be certified by or on March 1st; and the NRCSA Spring Conference is March 23rd & 24th in Kearney.

With a motion by Kramper, second by Smith, the 2009 Board of Education was adjourned. M.C.U.

Supt. Thompson called to order the 2010 Board of Education. He called for nominations for President and Vice-President of the 2010 Board. A motion was made by Book, second by Kramper, to re-elect Richard Dohma as President. Voting Aye: Kramper, Smith, Book, and Gill. Abstaining: Dohma. Motion carried. A motion was made by Gill, second by Smith, to re-elect Kenton Book as Vice President. Voting Aye: Dohma, Gill, Kramper, and Smith. Abstaining: Book. Motion carried. A motion was made by Kramper, second by Dohma, to appoint Lorrie Huston as Secretary-Treasurer of the 2010 Board of Education. M.C.U.

A motion was made by Book, second by Kramper, to approve the third Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. as the official meeting date and time, the official depository will be the Bank of Dixon County and

the official newspaper is the Nebraska Journal Leader. Voting Aye: Gill, Kramper, Smith and Book. Abstaining: Dohma. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Kramper, second by Smith, to designate Supt. William Thompson as the custodian of the Activity, Lunch, Bond, Building, and Petty Cash funds, and also authorized representative for all Federal and Special Education programs. M.C.U.

Craig Jones of D.A. Davidson & Co. read the resolution to issue General Obligation Build America Bonds in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$9,520,000 for the purpose of constructing a new junior/senior high school. Board member Gill moved to adopt the resolution. Kramper seconded the motion. M.C.U.

The board approved a revised Internet Safety and Acceptable Use Policy on a motion by Book, second by Gill. M.C.U.

The proposed 2010-2011 School Calendar with the first day of school being August 19, 2010 was approved on a motion by Smith, second by Kramper. M.C.U.

The Board discussed possible sharing opportunities with neighboring districts. Reports were given on the progress of the site preparation and new school construction. The architects' plans were also analyzed. Corrections will be submitted and bids will be taken beginning February 25th. The need for a new storage shed was discussed.

At 9:15 p.m., Book made a motion, second by Gill, to go into Executive Session for "protection of the public interest". M.C.U. President Dohma declared the session over at 9:52 p.m.

At 9:57 p.m., there being no further business, a motion was made by Book, second by Kramper, to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorrie Huston, Secretary