

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
MAY 17, 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, May 17, 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, Gary Smith and John Gill. Absent: Phil Kramper and Doug Rickett. Others present were Supt. William Thompson, Prin. Michelle Rinas, Prin. Bob Hayes, Sec. Lorrie Huston and 7 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. Kramper and Rickett joined the meeting at 7:32 p.m. The consent agenda was approved on a motion by Book, second by Smith. M.C.U. The consent agenda included the following: the minutes of the April 19, 2010 Board Meeting; the Treasurer's report showing a General Fund balance of \$315,487.44; the Hot Lunch Fund report showing a balance of \$20,752.13; the Ponca Activities Fund showing a balance of \$71,778.09; the Jackson Activity Fund showing a balance of \$1,779.74; the General Fund bills of \$64,491.22; Building Fund checks of \$485.00; Construction Payment requisition of \$83,682.00; Bond Fund disbursements of \$4,062.50; the resignations of Ginger Grimm and Donna Engel, Jackson custodians; the resignation of Joseph Kvidera as 7-12 Social Studies teacher, head football and head girls' track coach; the resignation of Heather Schweers as JH Girls' basketball coach; and the application of Jennifer Hartman as cheerleading sponsor.

Administrative Reports:

Principal Rinas informed the Board that the Spring Activities Program would be held May 18th. Principal Hayes reported on the upcoming elementary concert and pre-school and kindergarten graduations in Jackson. He also congratulated the following State Track Meet qualifiers: Jared Curry, Matt Dohma and Beth Finnegan; and State Golf qualifier Alex O'Neill. Supt. Thompson updated the Board on the District's financial outlook for the remainder of the year.

Construction Progress: Gill thanked everyone for the Groundbreaking ceremony. The first construction meeting was held on May 13th and staking has begun on the site. Dohma will contact P.J. Greiger to confirm bond credit calculations.

Wendy Masin and Jamie Hamar asked the Board to increase the long-term substitute teacher pay citing the policies from surrounding school districts for comparison. No action was taken and this item will be re-visited in July.

The Board discussed the bids for relocation of the portable classroom building to the empty lot south of the school. Gill made a motion, seconded by Smith, to accept a bid from Move U House Moving, should the services be needed. M.C.U.

Summer school contracts were approved at \$875 each for Lisa Balvantin, Mishelle Fields and Staci Hill on a motion by Rickett, second by Kramper. M.C.U.

Rickett moved to adopt the Build America Bonds compliance policy naming the Superintendent of Schools as Compliance Officer. Book seconded the motion. M.C.U.

The Board discussed the contract attachment with Joseph R. Hewgley & Associates which sets the basic services fee at \$609,825.00. Smith moved to accept the contract attachment, Kramper seconded the motion. M.C.U.

A discussion was held about the possibility of expanding Robert Hayes' Principal duties to include the Ponca Elementary. No Board action was taken at this time.

At 8:35 p.m. with a motion by Kramper, second by Gill, 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. The session was declared over at 9:15 p.m.

A motion was made by Rickett, second by Smith, to offer the Superintendent a one-year contract for 2010-11 with the salary remaining at \$106,000 plus benefits. The single insurance premium will be paid by the district through December 2012. M.C.U.

Kramper made a motion, seconded by Gill, to go into a second executive session at 9:24 p.m. for the "protection of the public interest." M.C.U. The session was declared over at 9:35 p.m.

At 9:36 p.m., there being no further business, a motion was made by Kramper, second by Gill, to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorrie Huston, Secretary