

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
APRIL 10, 2012

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 Tuesday, April 10, 2012 at 8:00 p.m. in the Ponca High School Art Room. Advance notice of the meeting was publicly posted and given to all members of the Board of Education. Members present were John Gill, Richard Dohma, Kenton Book, Phil Kramper, and Doug Rickett. Absent: Gary Smith. Others present were Supt. Joan Reznicek, Prin. Bob Hayes, Sec. Lorrie Huston and 8 visitors. Principal Rinas joined the meeting later after the music concert.

The meeting was called to order by President Richard Dohma. Item "P" of the agenda was revised to omit the information on the Ponca Elementary HVAC and to add a resignation. A motion was made by Rickett, second by Gill to approve the Agenda with the revisions. M.C.U.

Gary Smith was excused on a work related absence.

Sean Masin informed the Board that the track surfacing company was able to work on the Sports Complex track sooner than scheduled. The Board agreed to go ahead with the surfacing as the committee sees fit.

The minutes of the March 19, 2012 School Board Meeting were approved on a motion by Rickett, second by Book. M.C.U. Book made a motion to approve the financial reports, second by Kramper. M.C.U. The Treasurer's report shows a General Fund balance of \$454,307.76, a Depreciation Fund balance of \$58,838.43, a Bond Fund balance of \$496,378.43, a Building Fund Balance of \$915,324.42, an Employee Benefit Fund balance of \$502.83, a combined Activity Fund balance of \$102,680.66, and a Hot Lunch Fund balance of \$26,147.23. General Fund Bills totaling \$81,945.85; Construction Payment Requests of \$177,738.35; a Building Fund Disbursement of \$640.59; Fine Arts Project Disbursements of \$24,500.00; Sports Complex Disbursements of \$4,556.68; and the addition of \$28,582.50 from the Sports Complex account when needed for the track surfacing payment were all approved with a motion by Gill, second by Kramper. Supt. Reznicek acknowledged the 2012-13 open enrollment request into the district of Alexa Swick.

Principal Hayes informed the Board of the following items: 23 students signed up during the Pre-K open house; 18 students enrolled in Kindergarten for 2012-13; Jackson Elem. concert will be held April 26th; Ponca Elem. concert will be held May 8<sup>th</sup>; Elementary Field Day is May 4<sup>th</sup>; Kindergarten Graduation is May 15<sup>th</sup>; Pre-K graduation is May 14<sup>th</sup>; and Grades 4, 5 & 6 take a field trip to Lincoln on May 15<sup>th</sup>. He also noted that the Ponca Track Invite would be held at Winnebago this year. Princ. Rinas reported that the Highway Patrol is bringing a rollover simulator on April 13<sup>th</sup> to the school and credited Bob Kneifl with making it possible. Other activities highlighted by Ms. Rinas included Prom on April 14<sup>th</sup>, track meets, golf meets, and standardized testing during April. Supt. Reznicek noted that Dixon County taxes had been received for March. She distributed information on 2012-13 State Aid Certification in the amount of \$1,836,402.34 and talked of the need to offer summer school. On April 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> Ms. Reznicek will be attending a meeting of the Leadership Committee working on the Teacher and Principal Evaluation Model Project for the Nebraska Department of Education. The next construction meeting will be April 17<sup>th</sup> and she will have the staff make a list of items still needed to be completed by the contractors. Mark Miller of EAD donated a time capsule which has been placed in a wall near the new gym. A plaque will designate

the location of the capsule. Supt. Reznicek and Board members commented on the wonderful job that Mrs. Lowe and the Swing Choir did at the NRCSA conference in Kearney.

Board members who attended the Smalley's Anti-Bullying program commended the presentation and gave support for a "Stand for the Silent" school organization.

The construction committee reported that the gym floor material will be arriving this week. A vapor barrier will be used under the floor and will not compromise the flooring warranty.

The Board approved the local substitute teaching certificate of Randy Lukken on a motion by Kramper, second by Gill.

Rickett made a motion to approve expenses for a feasibility study by Key Concepts of Omaha at a cost of \$3000 per district. A similar proposal also needs to be approved by the Newcastle school district to begin the study. The motion was seconded by Book. M.C.U.

Payment of \$21,952.34 to Hewgley and Associates was approved on a motion by Gill, second by Rickett. M.C.U.

Book made a motion to approve Adam Poulosky as the 2012-13 Head Boys' Basketball Coach. Rickett seconded the motion. M.C.U.

With a motion by Gill, second by Rickett, the Board accepted the resignation of Jennifer Hartman as Cheerleading Coach. M.C.U.

Book made a motion, seconded by Kramper to accept the resignation of Deb Krause as Assistant Volleyball Coach. M.C.U.

The resignation of Mary Husen as 6<sup>th</sup> grade teacher was accepted on a motion by Book, second by Kramper. M.C.U.

The Board agreed to set up a purchasing schedule for busses and other district vehicles. A payment of up to \$10,000 plus a trade-in was approved for the purchase of a 2009 International Bus from Master's Transportation of Kearney on a motion by Gill, second by Rickett. Depreciation funds are to be used with remaining balance taken from the Dixon Co. Common School Cooperative account. M.C.U.

The second reading of the Kindergarten Early Entrance Policy was approved on a motion by Kramper, second by Book. M.C.U.

Rickett made a motion, second by Gill, to accept the resignation of Marcus Papenhausen as 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher. M.C.U.

On a motion by Rickett, second by Kramper, the Board approved the Ball Field Purchase Agreement to sell 4.625 acres to the City of Ponca for a purchase price of \$25,000. M.C.U.

Gill made a motion to approve the legal representation agreement between Ponca Public School and Karen Haase of Harding & Schulz. Kramper seconded the motion. M.C.U.

At 9:15 p.m., Kramper made a motion to go into executive session for "the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual" to discuss coaching vacancies and the Business Manager's Contract and Salary. Book seconded the motion. The session was declared over at 10:25 p.m.

On a motion by Book, second by Kramper, the business manager salary was set at \$40,500 for the 2012-13 year. M.C.U.

The next regular board meeting will be held May 21, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. in the Ponca HS Art Room. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:31 p.m. on a motion by Rickett, second by Gill. M.C.U.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorrie Huston, Secretary