

**Minutes of the Ponca Public Schools  
Board of Education Regular Meeting  
February 15, 2016 7:00 p.m.**

A meeting of the Board of Education of Ponca Public Schools was convened in open and public session on Monday, February 15, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in room 127 of Ponca Public Schools, 505 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Ponca, Nebraska. Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication and posting in accordance with the Board approved method for giving notice of meetings. Notice of this meeting was given in advance to all members of the Board of Education. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the publicized notice and a current copy of the agenda was kept continuously current and available for inspection at the office of the Superintendent of Schools. All proceedings of the Board of Education, except as may be hereinafter noted, were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

The following Board members were present: Rickett, Kramper, Gill, Dohma, Burki. Also present were Princ. Rinas, Sec. Huston, and 10 visitors. Supt. Reznicek is on medical leave. Princ. Hayes was supervising the subdistrict basketball game.

President Rickett called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted on the wall of the meeting room, and led the salute to the flag.

Kramper moved to approve the absence of Kenton Book. Burki seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett. Absent: Book. M.C. 5-0.

The Agenda was approved on a motion by Kramper and a second by Dohma. Voting Aye: Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett. Absent: Book. M.C. 5-0.

Sponsor Cindy Anderson and the elementary student council presented a check in the amount of \$881 to the school. The funds were raised for the purpose of installing a new sound system in the west gym. The Board thanked Mrs. Anderson and the students for their work in raising the money.

Crisis response team members Fran Hassler and Andrea Stewart gave a report on the crisis response manual updates, procedure changes, and supplies used to assist the process. President Rickett thanked all of the team members for their contributions.

Audience communications were heard from Holley Merithew and Nick Sullivan concerning bus routes and pick up times. Principal Rinas left the meeting to supervise the basketball game and allow Principal Hayes to attend the discussion. Once the discussion was over, Principal Rinas returned to the meeting and Principal Hayes returned to the game.

Minutes from the January 18, 2016 meeting were approved with a motion by Dohma and a second by Burki. Voting Aye: Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett. Absent: Book. M.C. 5-0.

Financial reports were approved with a motion by Dohma and a second by Gill. Voting Aye: Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett. Absent: Book. M.C. 5-0. The Treasurer's report shows a General Fund balance of \$778,398.08; a Depreciation Fund balance of \$105,288.48; a Bond Fund balance of \$867,111.75; a Special Building Fund balance of \$49,640.07; an Employee Benefit Fund balance of \$1,483.44; an Activity Fund balance of \$163,033.43; and a Hot Lunch Fund balance of \$25,930.65.

Claims and accounts were approved on a motion by Dohma and a second by Gill. Voting Aye: Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett. Absent: Book. M.C. 5-0. General Fund disbursements totaled \$252,972.42, and Building Fund disbursements totaled \$8,338.00.

Burki will research the cost of adding furnace ductwork to the Sports Complex building.

Kramper moved to approve the option enrollment requests into the district of kindergarteners Hannah Reuter, Teygan Schram, Abraham Krusemark and Kole Krusemark for the 2016-17 school year and the option enrollment request out of the district of kindergartener Aybree Graves to Allen for the 2016-17 school year. Burki seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett. Absent: Book. M.C. 5-0.

Principal Rinas congratulated the students who will be representing Ponca at the Dixon County Spelling Bee in Allen on February 22<sup>nd</sup>: Kai Seneviratne, Jacob Statema, Jordan Lamprecht, Sam Taylor and Sarah Beach. She also reported on the NeSA testing, the upcoming fundraiser on February 21<sup>st</sup> for the sound system and the schedule for the staff PLC meetings.

Principal Bob Hayes joined the meeting at 8:40 p.m. He reported on the plans for the elementary NeSA testing and for analyzing the MAP testing results. He also distributed the football schedule for the 2016 season.

During Board communications, Dohma reported on the legislative luncheon he attended and reviewed the information he received there. Warranted work on the roof is being done by Winkler Roofing. Replacement of the pads in the West gym is being looked at as a possible warranty item.

Board Goals were briefly reviewed.

The NRCSA Spring conference will be held on March 17 and 18, 2016 in Kearney.

No action was taken on expenses for the NASB President's retreat.

The annual expenses for continued membership with NASB were approved on a motion by Kramper and second by Burki. Voting Aye: Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett. Absent: Book. M.C. 5-0.

Principal Rinas gave a summary of the school improvement report on the December 2015 external review. The report cited powerful practices, opportunities for improvement and improvement priorities for the school as well as information on school scores and the AdvancED network average.

Dohma moved to approve the transfer of the \$150,000 from the general fund to the depreciation technology fund. Gill seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett. Absent: Book. M.C. 5-0.

The 1 to 1 committee presented their recommendations to the Board. Acceptance of the three phases of 1) staff devices, 2) create a new IT position, and 3) student devices was approved on a motion by Dohma, second by Gill. Voting Aye: Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper and Rickett. Absent: Book M.C. 5-0. The staff computers will be ordered first and the goal is to have the IT candidate hired by mid-April and student devices ready by the first of May. The Board thanked the committee for their time and hard work.

At 9:25 p.m., Kramper moved to enter into executive session for the protection of the public interest. Gill seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett. Absent: Book. M.C. 5-0. The session was declared over at 10:10 p.m.

Burki moved to approve the requested reimbursement of sick days from Supt. Reznicek pending the approval of Attorney Karen Haase on the appropriate documentation. Dohma seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, and Rickett. Absent: Book. M.C. 5-0.

The next meeting will be held March 21, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Jackson Elementary Commons. The meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lorrie Huston, Board Secretary