

**Minutes of the Ponca Public Schools
Board of Education Regular Meeting
March 21, 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, March 21, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at 223 North John Street, Jackson, 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: Book, Rickett, Kramper, Gill, Dohma, and Burki. Also present were Princ. Rinas, Princ. Hayes, Sec. Huston, and 5 visitors. Supt. Reznicek is on medical leave. 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.

The Agenda was approved on a motion by Book and a second by Dohma. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett. M.C. 6-0.

Minutes from the February 15, 2016 meeting were approved with a motion by Kramper and a second by Gill. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett. M.C. 6-0.

Financial reports were approved with a motion by Dohma and a second by Burki. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett. M.C. 6-0. The Treasurer's report shows a General Fund balance of \$601,665.10; a Depreciation Fund balance of \$255,288.48; a Bond Fund balance of \$891,896.10; a Special Building Fund balance of \$79,272.87; an Employee Benefit Fund balance of \$1,483.57; an Activity Fund balance of \$171,452.11; and a Hot Lunch Fund balance of \$29,184.16.

Claims and accounts were approved on a motion by Book and a second by Gill. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett. M.C. 6-0. General Fund disbursements totaled \$58,721.99, Building Fund disbursements totaled \$1,456.00 and Sports Complex disbursements totaled \$1,818.86.

Gill moved to approve the option enrollment requests into the district of kindergarteners Drayden Coan, Amelie Welch, Klaudia Bruening, Ashlin Bacon, Jaeda Templeman, and Jacob Schindler for the 2016-17 school year. Burki seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett. M.C. 6-0.

Principal Hayes' report included the replacement of the pads on the stage at no charge to the school, the west gym roof leak being fixed, the schedule for elementary field trips, and the elementary teachers preparing the students for the upcoming NeSA testing with plans for review sessions, breakfasts, backpacks, and snacks.

Principal Rinas recognized the following groups of students who have represented the school district well in contests: All-State Class C band, junior high Class C All-State band, District speech finalists and State speech qualifiers, and student artists placing in the Lewis and Clark art contest. The senior trip to the Mall of America and the waterpark will take place on March 28th. MAP testing is complete for the 7-11 grades except for a few make up tests. Ms. Rinas reported on the fundraising progress for the west gym sound system. The goal is to have the system installed by graduation.

Athletic Director Hayes recognized the athletes who were selected for basketball all-conference teams. He also reported that Kristie Hayes was honored by the NSIAAA and the District track meet will be held in Ponca.

Richard Dohma reported on the NASB directors meeting he attended with topics including new negotiations software, new e-meeting software updates, the NETS computer IT division, and the committee talks about a better way of funding schools. President Rickett will talk to Marcia Herring about facilitating a Board retreat during late summer or early fall. IT applications are being taken for 2 more weeks and Mrs. Hayes is working with Sterling on the teachers' computers. The Board members looked at the Jackson playground because the pea gravel needed replacing.

Dohma moved to approve the same \$12 per day pre-school tuition as last year. Burki seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett. M.C. 6-0.

Mr. Dan Loofe was approved as the driver's education teacher at the same salary and tuition prices as last year on a motion by Gill, second by Book. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett. M.C. 6-0.

The resignation of Julie Kneifl as high school secretary was approved on a motion by Book, second by Dohma. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett. M.C. 6-0.

The resignation of second grade teacher Brady Starkweather was approved on a motion by Burki, second by Dohma. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett. M.C. 6-0.

Dohma moved to approve the 2016-17 school calendar. Gill seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett. M.C. 6-0. The first day of school will be August 18, 2016.

Book made a motion to approve the Sports Complex maintenance bid by Monte Burki with the three points of interest addressed. Dohma seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Book, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett. Abstaining: Burki. M.C.

Dohma moved to approve the additional reimbursement of sick days for Supt. Reznicek. Gill seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett. M.C. 6-0.

At 8:10 p.m., Book moved to enter into executive session for the protection of the public interest. Burki seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett. M.C. 6-0. The session was declared over at 8:44 p.m.

Book moved to approve Principal Rinas' salary increase for the 2016-17 school year as discussed in executive session. Burki seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett. M.C. 6-0.

At 8:45 p.m., Dohma moved to enter into executive session for the protection of the public interest. Gill seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett. M.C. 6-0. The session was declared over at 9:00 p.m.

Dohma moved to approve Principal Hayes' salary increase for the 2016-17 school year as discussed in executive session. Kramper seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett. M.C. 6-0.

The next meeting will be held April 18, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. in room 127 at Ponca Public School. The meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Lorrie Huston, Board Secretary