

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Board of Education of Ponca Public Schools
December 17, 2018 7:00 p.m.**

The Board of Education of Dixon County School District 1 (also known as Ponca Public Schools) held a regular meeting on Monday, December 17, 2018 in the Ponca Public Schools Library at 505 West 3rd Street, Ponca, NE. The meeting was convened in open and public session and advance notice was publicly posted at the Bank of Dixon County, the Dixon County courthouse, the post office and the school house door, published in the Nebraska Journal Leader, and given to all members of the Board of Education.

President Book called the regular 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. Roll call was taken. Members present were Book, Dohma, Fethkenher, Gill and Kramper. Absent: Burki. Others present included Supt. Phillips, Principal Lahm, Principal Hayes, Kristie Hayes, Andy Stark, Sec. Lorrie Huston and several visitors.

Dohma moved to excuse absent member Burki. Kramper seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Book, Dohma, Fethkenher, Gill, Kramper. M.C.

There were no requests to speak before the Board.

The consent agenda was approved on a motion by Dohma and a second by Gill. Voting Aye: Book, Dohma, Fethkenher, Gill and Kramper. Absent: Burki. M.C. The consent agenda included approval of the agenda, the minutes of the November 19, 2018 meeting, financial reports consisting of the treasurer's report showing a general fund balance of \$408,384.82; a depreciation fund balance of \$141,540.39; a bond fund balance of \$247,764.99; a special building fund balance of \$312,089.33; an employee benefit fund balance of \$1,490.57; an activity fund balance of \$229,412.96; and a hot lunch fund balance of \$20,468.36; and claims and accounts consisting of general fund disbursements of \$51,259.35. Credit card payments and the December payroll report were also included.

Administration Reports and Board Communications:

Supt. Phillips thanked the PEA for the snacks they provided for the meeting. He also reported on the next MB mowing bill, the removal of the old art building, the east gym floor refinishing, the replacement of a compressor in the west gym, obtaining audit bids from CPA firms, and the AQuESTT classifications being made public on December 21st.

Principal Hayes reported on elementary concerts, Christmas party plans, and MAP testing completion.

Principal Lahm reported on semester test schedules, holiday tournament dates, moratorium dates, the Snowball coronation and dance, and the start date for second semester of January 7th. He also acknowledged the One-Act coaches and participants, Breanna Gill as a NSAA student advisory committee member, junior interview day volunteers and staff, USD quad state honor band qualifiers, and FCS teacher Dacia Beyke on her recent graduation. The senior trip will be April 22nd, MAP testing will be January 23-25, summative exams will be April 24-26, and ACT testing will be April 3rd.

Athletic Director Hayes reported on NSAA proposals, live streaming of the Winnebago wrestling meet, and the east gym floor refinishing.

Discussion and Informational Items:

A presentation on the benefits of the junior interview day was given by Mrs. Kristin Reuter, Mrs. Fran Hassler, Roxie Walker, Teyden Petersen, Meg Keller and Breanna Gill.

The PLC presentation was given by Principal Lahm, Mrs. Andrea Stewart, Mrs. Leann Curry, Mrs. Mishelle Fields, and Ms. Suzette Curry.

Superintendent Phillips reported that he has completed 111 days of duty for the 2018-19 contract year.

Action Items:

The open enrollment of Caleb Ketelsen, 4th grader, into the district effective January 7th, 2019 was approved on a motion by Kramper, second by Fethkenher. Voting Aye: Book, Dohma, Fethkenher, Gill, Kramper. Absent: Burki. M.C.

Gill moved to enter into executive session at 7:58 pm for personnel and the evaluation of job performance clearly necessary for the protection of the public interest or for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual in compliance with the law. Dohma seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Book, Dohma, Fethkenher, Gill, Kramper. Absent: Burki. M.C. At 8:12 pm, Kramper moved to end the executive session. Fethkenher seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Book, Dohma, Fethkenher, Gill, Kramper. Absent: Burki. M.C.

No action was taken on the Superintendent Contract. A superintendent evaluation tool will be sent out to the Board members by Supt. Phillips prior to the January meeting.

The next regular board meeting will be held January 21, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the Ponca Public Schools library.

At 8:27 p.m., Gill moved to adjourn the meeting. Fethkenher seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Book, Dohma, Fethkenher, Gill, and Kramper. Absent: Burki. M.C.

Respectfully submitted,
Lorrie Huston, Board Secretary