

**Minutes of the Ponca Public Schools
Board of Education Regular Meeting
January 18, 2017 7:30 p.m.**

A meeting of the Board of Education of Ponca Public Schools was convened in open and public session on Wednesday, January 18, 2017 at 7:30 p.m. room 126 of the Ponca Public Schools, 505 3rd Street, Ponca, Nebraska. The meeting had been rescheduled due to inclement weather. 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, Burki, Dohma, Fethkenher, Kramper. Absent: Gill. Also present were Supt. Reznicek, Princ. Rinas, Princ. Hayes, Sec. Huston and 8 visitors.

Supt. Reznicek called for nominations of officers for 2017. Kenton Book was elected Board President on a nomination by Dohma, second by Burki. M.C. Monte Burki was elected Vice President on a nomination by Dohma, second by Book. M.C. Kramper moved to appoint Lorrie Huston as Secretary/Treasurer, second by Burki. M.C. Board Committees were assigned as follows: Americanism Committee – Dohma, Burki and Kramper; Policy Committee – Gill, Kramper, Fethkener; Negotiations Committee – Book, Dohma, Gill; Building and Grounds Committee – Kramper, Book, and Fethkenher; Finance Committee – Dohma, Fethkenher, Book; Transportation Committee – Kramper, Gill and Burki; Technology Committee – Burki, Kramper and Dohma.

President Book called the meeting to order at 7:39 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 absence of John Gill due to illness was approved on a motion by Burki, second by Dohma. M.C. The Oath of Office was read by all present Board members.

The Agenda was approved on a motion by Dohma and a second by Burki. M.C.

The School Improvement Team members Adam Simington, Shannon Jarvi, Lisa Wenger and Princ. Rinas updated the Board with their progress. The Board thanked the team for their work.

Minutes from the December 19, 2016 meeting were approved with a motion by Dohma and a second by Burki. M.C.

Financial reports were approved with a motion by Dohma and a second by Kramper. M.C. The Treasurer's report shows a General Fund balance of \$342,725.10; a Depreciation Fund balance of \$255,713.54; a Bond Fund balance of \$675,165.91; a Special Building Fund balance of \$318,613.96; an Employee Benefit Fund balance of \$1,484.81; an Activity Fund balance of \$150,644.38; and a Hot Lunch Fund balance of \$19,475.07.

Claims and accounts were approved on a motion by Burki and a second by Dohma. M.C. General Fund disbursements totaled \$110,741.22, and Building Fund disbursements totaled \$21,258.

Principal Rinas reported on the Snowball dance, congratulated the students who were selected for area honor bands, and noted the school spelling bee would be held in February. Principal Hayes reported on MAPs testing and Supt. Reznicek informed the Board of the postponement of State Aid Certification.

To make up for one of the recent snow days, the Board agreed to have a full day of school on January 27th, a day originally scheduled as a vacation day. Supt. Reznicek asked to reward the staff for their involvement in the superintendent search by giving them a day of credit but the Board would like to wait on making that decision. Other items reported on: the Crisis Team and the policy committee will be finalizing a memorial policy for the District; the Administration will be meeting with a representative from the Ponca Tribe; and \$75,000 will be transferred in February to the depreciation fund for technology, with another transfer towards the end of the school year as allowed by tax receipts.

Athletic Director Hayes added information on basketball and wrestling schedules, swimming and cross country cooperatives, track districts, setting up the new softball schedule and NSAA rule proposals for football.

Supt. Reznicek will set up a time for the negotiations committee to have a meeting with the PEA representatives.

Kramper moved to approve the designation of the official depository for the school district as the Bank of Dixon County. Burki seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Fethkenher, Kramper.

Abstaining: Dohma. M.C.

The Nebraska Journal Leader was designated as the official newspaper for the school district on a motion by Kramper, second by Dohma. M.C.

The Superintendent of Schools was designated the official accounts custodian on a motion by Dohma, second by Burki. M.C.

The Superintendent of Schools was designated the authorized representative on a motion by Burki, second by Dohma. M.C.

The third Monday of each month was designated as the official meeting day for the Ponca School Board on a motion by Dohma, second by Kramper. M.C.

Expenses for the NCSA & NASB Education Forum were approved with a motion by Dohma, second by Burki. M.C.

Kramper moved to approve the expenses for the 2017 NRCSA Legislative Forum. Fethkenher seconded the motion. M.C.

Burki move to approve the expenses for the NRCSA Spring Conference. Kramper seconded the motion. M.C.

The Board approved the audit fees from Mike Pommer for the 2017, 2018 and 2019 fiscal years on a motion by Dohma and second by Burki. M.C.

The resignation at the end of the 16-17 school year of Spanish teacher Peg Whitmore was approved on a motion by Kramper and second by Dohma. M.C.

The revised superintendent contract document was approved as presented without a salary amount on a motion by Dohma, second by Burki. M.C.

Dohma moved to approve a bid from Creative Sites for the completion of the Jackson playground. Burki seconded the motion. M.C.

A new special education para position was created with the motion to approve by Dohma and second by Kramper. M.C. The position will be filled for the remainder of the 2016-17 school year.

Kramper moved to enter into executive session at 9:20 p.m. Burki seconded the motion. M.C. The session was declared over at 9:31 p.m.

The next meeting will be held February 20, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 9:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorrie Huston, Board Secretary