

**Minutes of the Ponca Public Schools
Board of Education Regular Meeting
June 15, 2015 7:30 p.m.**

A meeting of the Board of Education of Ponca Public Schools was convened in open and public session on Monday, June 15, 2015 at 7:30 p.m. in the Ponca Public Schools art room, 505 3rd 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.

President Rickett called the meeting to order at 7:30 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 following Board members were present: Rickett, Kramper, Dohma, Book, Burki, and Gill. Also present were Supt. Reznicek, Princ. Rinas, Sec. Huston and 12 visitors.

The agenda was approved on a motion by Dohma and second by Burki. M.C. 6-0.

Keith Trusty inquired as to the status of the wrestling program and hiring of a new coach. He was informed by the administration that applications had been received and interviews would be starting soon.

Minutes from the May 18, 2015 meeting were approved with a motion by Kramper and a second by Gill. M.C. 6-0.

Financial reports were approved with a motion by Book and a second by Dohma. M.C. 6-0. The Treasurer's report shows a General Fund balance of \$825,222.28; a Depreciation Fund balance of \$105,193.69; a Bond Fund balance of \$944,044.12; a Special Building Fund balance of \$408,885.13; an Employee Benefit Fund balance of \$1,482.43; an Activity Fund balance of \$148,742.41; and a Hot Lunch Fund balance of \$18,116.08.

Claims and accounts were approved on a motion by Gill and a second by Dohma. Voting Aye: Book, Dohma, Kramper, Rickett, Gill. Voting Aye but abstaining on check #23649: Burki. M.C. General Fund disbursements totaled \$115,747.59; Special Building Fund disbursements totaled \$78,482.25; and Building Fund Sports Complex disbursements totaled \$3,591.00.

Administration Reports:

Principal Hayes reported on a successful three week summer school session that was well attended and will be ending June 18th. Principal Rinas and Principal Hayes detailed the plans and progress of the school improvement goals to improve writing and reading skills. Implementation of the Treasures reading program and Saxon Phonics, staff development, scoring workshops, writing specialists, and developing a writing curriculum were all discussed.

Athletic Director Hayes informed the Board of the many summer camps that are being held and fielded questions concerning the future participation of area football teams due to declining numbers.

Board Communications and Committee Reports:

A Board retreat with Marcia Herring from NASB was set for August 4th at 7 p.m. in the Ponca art room.

New Business:

Supt. Reznicek presented the 2014-15 hot lunch report for discussion. No motion was made to change the current lunch prices.

The 2014-15 transportation report was reviewed and the Board would like to see a breakdown on future reports of expenses incurred by each vehicle.

Kramper moved to approve the Anti-Bullying Policy (#5415) for the 2015-16 school year. Burki seconded the motion. M.C. 6-0.

The Title I Parental Involvement Policy (#6410) was approved with a motion by Book, second by Gill. M.C. 6-0.

Dohma moved to approve the hiring of Chynna Kannegieter as a custodian and bus driver. Burki seconded the motion. M.C. 6-0.

Rob Davey was hired as head custodian and HVAC manager on a motion by Dohma, second by Book. M.C. 6-0.

Kristie Hayes presented proposals on options for purchasing or leasing technology devices for the students and teachers. Paula Larsen gave the results of an informal phone survey of the teachers' option preferences. A question and answer period followed. Mrs. Hayes also reported that 60% of the cost for recent updating of the technology infrastructure would be paid by the e-Rate grant that she applied for.

At 10:00 p.m. Book moved to enter into executive session for the prevention of the public interest. Burki seconded the motion. M.C. 6-0. The session was declared over at 10:50 p.m.

Book made a motion to set the 2015-16 district contribution for the non-certificated employees' monthly insurance benefit to \$452.78 for employee-only insurance, and to increase the employee/children, employee/spouse and family monthly district contributions by \$20 each. Dohma seconded the motion. M.C. 6-0.

Dohma moved to approve the wages for the non-certificated staff as discussed in executive session for the 2015-16 school year. Burki seconded the motion. M.C. 6-0.

The next regular meeting will be held July 20, 2015 at 7:30 p.m.
The meeting adjourned at 10:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorrie Huston, Board Secretary