

**Minutes of the Budget Hearing,  
Tax Request Hearing, and the Regular Meeting of the  
Board of Education of Ponca Public Schools  
September 19, 2022**

**Meeting Notice posted 9/8/22**

The Board of Education of Dixon County School District 1 (also known as Ponca Public Schools) held a budget hearing, final tax request hearing, and regular meeting on Monday, September 19, 2022 in the Ponca Public Schools library. All were convened in open and public session and advance notice was publicly posted on the school doors, at the post office, the Dixon County Courthouse, the Bank of Dixon County and given 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 Book opened the budget hearing at 7:00 p.m. Public comments were welcomed but none were made. The budget hearing was closed at 7:10 p.m.

Book opened the special hearing for the final tax request at 7:10 p.m. and welcomed public comments. No public comments were made. The special hearing was closed at 7:16 p.m.

President Book called the regular meeting to order at 7:17 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, Burki, Fethkenher, Gill and Kramper. Absent: Dohma. Others present included Supt. Calahan, Principal Stansberry, Kristie Hayes, Andy Stark, Sec. Lorrie Huston and five visitors. Principal Hayes was absent due to attending the Ponca softball game.

Absent member Dohma was excused on a motion by Burki, second by Fethkenher. Voting Yea: Book, Burki, Fethkenher, Gill and Kramper. M.C.

There were no requests to speak before the Board.

The consent agenda was approved on a motion by Fethkenher and a second by Gill. Voting Yea: Book, Burki, Fethkenher, Gill and Kramper. Absent: Dohma. M.C. The consent agenda included approval of the agenda, the minutes of the August 15, 2022 meeting, the treasurer's report showing a general fund balance of \$2,464,439.31; a depreciation fund balance of \$282,932.08; a bond fund balance of \$669,666.60; a special building fund balance of \$216,671.45; an employee benefit fund balance of \$8,288.09; an activity fund balance of \$281,581.63; and a school nutrition fund balance of \$141,268.59; general fund disbursements of \$115,951.50, depreciation fund disbursements of \$5,640.15, credit card charges and the September payroll report.

Supt. Calahan and Principal Stansberry gave the administration reports.

A discussion was held concerning the bus leases. Tyler Cox from Nebraska Central Equipment addressed the board with information on terms of the agreement. Further discussion will be held at the October board meeting.

Kramper moved to approve the bid from Jeremiah Hughes for snow removal during the 22-23 winter season. Gill seconded the motion. Voting Yea: Book, Burki, Fethkenher, Gill and Kramper. Absent: Dohma. M.C.

Payment to MB Mowing in the amount of \$3793.00 for the sports complex maintenance was approved on a motion by Fethkenher, second by Gill. Voting Yea: Book, Fethkenher, Gill and Kramper. Abstaining (with conflict): Burki. Absent: Dohma. M.C.

Gill moved to deny the option enrollment request into the district of a 5<sup>th</sup> grade student based upon applicable program capacity. Burki seconded the motion. Voting Yea: Book, Burki, Fethkenher, Gill and Kramper. Absent: Dohma. M.C.

Kramper moved to approve the implementation of new Math Standards as approved by NDE. Fethkenher seconded the motion. Voting Yea: Book, Burki, Fethkenher, Gill and Kramper. Absent: Dohma. M.C.

The quote from Precision IT for new wireless access points was approved on a motion by Fethkenher, second by Kramper. Voting Yea: Book, Burki, Fethkenher, Gill and Kramper. Absent: Dohma. M.C.

The resignations of Stacy Heald as a Jackson para and Joey Stansberry as an assistant football coach were approved on a motion by Burki, second by Gill. Voting Yea: Book, Burki, Fethkenher, Gill and Kramper. Absent: Dohma. M.C.

Kramper moved to approve Kelsey Hamar as a para for the Jackson elementary. Fethkenher seconded the motion. Voting Yea: Book, Burki, Fethkenher, Gill and Kramper. Absent: Dohma. M.C.

The 2022-2023 budget was approved as presented with a motion by Fethkenher, second by Gill. Voting Yea: Book, Burki, Fethkenher, Gill and Kramper. Absent: Dohma. M.C.

The 2022-23 Levy Resolution and Final Property Tax Request of \$4,536,439.00 for the General Fund and \$520,455.00 for the Bond Fund was approved on a motion by Burki, second by Fethkenher. Voting Yea: Book, Burki, Fethkenher, Gill and Kramper. Absent: Dohma. M.C.

The next regular board meeting will be held Monday, October 17th, at 7:00 p.m. in the school library.

There being no further business, Burki moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 p.m. Fethkenher seconded the motion. Voting Yea: Book, Burki, Fethkenher, Gill and Kramper. Absent: Dohma. M.C.

Respectfully submitted,

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Kenton Book, Board President

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Lorrie Huston, Board Secretary