

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
JUNE 18, 2012

The meeting of the Board of Education of Dixon County School District 1 (also known as Ponca Public Schools) was convened in open and public session on Monday, June 18, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. in the Ponca High School SpEd Room. Advance notice of the meeting was publicly posted and given to all members of the Board of Education. Members present were Phil Kramper, Kenton Book, Richard Dohma, John Gill, and Doug Rickett. Absent: Gary Smith. Others present were Supt. Joan Reznicek, Prin. Michelle Rinas, Sec. Lorrie Huston and 2 visitors. The meeting was called to order by President Richard Dohma. Kramper moved to approve the agenda. Gill seconded the motion. M.C.U. On a motion by Kramper, second by Book, Gary Smith was excused on a work related absence. M.C.U.

The minutes of the May 21, 2012 School Board Meeting were approved on a motion by Rickett, second by Gill. M.C.U. Gill made a motion to approve the financial reports, second by Book. M.C.U. The Treasurer's report shows a General Fund balance of \$915,555.33, a Depreciation Fund balance of \$50,183.88, a Bond Fund balance of \$552,608.76, a Building Fund Balance of \$675,991.95, an Employee Benefit Fund balance of \$6,040.83, a combined Activity Fund balance of \$83,958.85, and a Hot Lunch Fund balance of \$21,209.89. General Fund Bills totaling \$84,175.26; Building Fund Disbursements of \$149,752.86; and Sports Complex Disbursements of \$72,401.53 were all approved with a motion by Book, second by Rickett. M.C.U.

Principal Rinas presented the annual student Disciplinary Report which included 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> semesters of 2011-12 and a 5-year comparison from 2007-08 through 2011-12. She also went over the School Climate Survey for 2012 which is a compilation of scores given by randomly selected students, staff and parents of the District. A multicultural report is kept in Ms. Rinas' office and may be accessed by the public.

Principal Rinas proposed a new graduation policy beginning with the class of 2015. The policy will be addressed at the July Board meeting.

Kramper, Rickett and Gill along with Supt. Reznicek will begin policy manual revision.

An estimate for replacement of the engine in Bus '01 was presented by Supt. Reznicek. More information will be obtained before a decision is made. She also discussed budgeting for new transportation purchases in the future and plans to move the weight equipment from the community center to the school. The cooperative agreement between the schools is going well; all paperwork is in for Volleyball but the decision has not yet been made as to the Class placement.

President Dohma informed the Board of his request to be on the City Council Agenda on June 25. He will address city code requirements and the restrictions they place on space needed for the elementary playground area.

A dedication ceremony and open house for the new school has been scheduled on August 4<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. The ceremony will begin at 1:15. A committee has been formed to plan the event with Suzette McCarthy and LaRita Stewart as co-chairs.

Rickett made a motion, seconded by Gill, to approve the resignation of Amy Hansen as Instrumental Music Teacher. M.C.U.

Book moved to approve Margaret (Peg) Whitmore as Spanish Teacher (.75FTE) for the 2012-13 school year. Kramper seconded the motion. M.C.U.

Andrea Stewart was approved as Secondary Special Education Teacher for the 2012-13 school year on a motion by Gill, second by Rickett. M.C.U.

Book moved to approve Jessica Templeman as the HS English Teacher for the 2012-13 school year. Rickett seconded the motion. M.C.U.

The first reading of the Concussion Policy was approved on a motion by Rickett, second by Gill. M.C.U. The updating of the elementary classroom lighting was tabled to obtain additional bids. The building project budget was discussed as well as the need to improve the playground, parking lot and roofs. After discussion, Kramper moved to accept a bid from Winkler Roofing in the amount of \$83,873 to do the roofs over the fine arts auditorium and the old band room with the condition that they include the entry way, gutters/downspouts, and fascia. Book seconded the motion. M.C.U.

The school day was extended by 15 minutes with the start time to be at 8:10 a.m. and the dismissal time to be 3:40 p.m. on a motion by Rickett, second by Gill. M.C.U.

Gill moved to approve the bill from EAD Constructors of \$149,342.90. Book seconded the motion. M.C.U.

A bid from Five-Star Awards for the high school room signs in the amount of \$1387.50 was approved on a motion by Book, second by Rickett. M.C.U.

A bid to paint the Ponca elementary lockers by AAA Electrostatic Painting in the amount of \$2,498.75 was approved on a motion by Gill, second by Kramper. M.C.U.

Book moved to approve a local substitute teaching certificate for Susie Day. Rickett seconded the motion. M.C.U.

The next regular board meeting will be held Thursday, July 12th at 7:30 p.m. in the Ponca HS Art Room.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:09 p.m. on a motion by Book, second by Rickett. M.C.U.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorrie Huston, Secretary