

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

May 19, 2014

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, May 19, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. in the Ponca High School art room. Advance notice of the meeting was publicly posted and given to all members of the Board of Education. Members present were Phil Kramper, Doug Rickett, Richard Dohma, Kenton Book, Monte Burki and John Gill. Others present were Supt. Joan Reznicek, Princ. Michelle Rinas, Princ. Bob Hayes, Sec. Lorrie Huston and 2 visitors.

President Doug Rickett called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. and led the flag salute. A motion was made by Book, second by Burki to approve the agenda as amended. M.C.U.

There were no requests by audience members to speak.

The minutes of the April 14, 2014 Board meeting were approved on a motion by Gill, second by Dohma. M.C.U. Dohma made a motion to approve the financial reports, seconded by Book. M.C.U. The Treasurer's report shows a General Fund balance of \$573,312.72, a Depreciation Fund balance of \$144,169.71, a Bond Fund balance of \$793,508.07, a Special Building Fund Balance of \$190,352.93, an Employee Benefit Fund balance of \$1,480.80, a combined Activity Fund balance of \$133,548.88, and a Hot Lunch Fund balance of \$15,726.13. General Fund Bills totaling \$60,411.57; a Bond Fund Disbursement of \$179,369.23; and Sports Complex Disbursements of \$685.64 were approved with a motion by Burki second by Gill. M.C.U.

Dohma made a motion, seconded by Gill, to approve the 2014-15 school year enrollment option request of Gannon Pfister, Laken Pfister, Matthew Schindler, Patrick Schram and Matthew Schram into the district; and Jacob and Alex Kneifl out of the district. M.C.U.

New Business

Principal Hayes noted a smooth ending to the school year and reviewed the process for assigning students to classrooms for the new school year.

Principal Rinas informed the Board of the upcoming curriculum development and data team work days for several certified staff members.

Supt. Reznicek reported on the end of year individual conferences with teachers and goal setting.

A preliminary quote for the purchase of Apple computers was distributed. Questions on infrastructure changes and costs were discussed. More research will be done prior to taking action on a purchase.

Athletic Director Hayes congratulated the qualifiers for State track: Lexie Eifert, Kaylee Hamar, and Michael Walsh and stated that summer sports camps have been scheduled.

Burki would like to see more track meets scheduled at the new sports complex facility.

Considering budget and contractor availability, the facilities committee members are working towards beginning west gym renovations in 2015. Dohma asked the committee to check into fixing the heaving concrete on the north side of the school.

The Board asked Supt. Reznicek to inquire into legal issues surrounding the use of personal or school owned computers for e-meetings.

Hayes reported that parents inquiring about a transitional kindergarten were contacted to explain the State Department of Education rules. Administration and Board committed to adding a Para to each kindergarten classroom to help alleviate the parents' concerns.

Book moved to accept the resignation of Michele Thompson as art teacher. Burki seconded the motion. M.C.U.

Gill moved to approve the hiring of Jessica Janke as 5-12 instrumental music teacher for the 2014-15 school year. Second by Dohma. M.C.U.

Dohma moved to approve John Street as the Ponca library aide for the 2014-15 school year. Second by Book. M.C.U.

Book moved to approve Kristi Goetz as the head cook for Ponca for the 2014-15 school year. Second by Gill. M.C.U.

With a recommendation from Princ. Rinas, Dohma moved to approve Julie Kneifl as the high school secretary for the 2014-15 school year. Second by Burki. M.C.U.

Book moved to accept the resignation of Carla Taylor as junior high volleyball coach pending suitable replacement. Dohma seconded the motion. M.C.U.

Following discussion, Book approved the purchase of a school bus if an appropriate one is located. Dohma seconded the motion. M.C.U.

Dohma moved to approve the change of the district payroll period to end on the last day of each month instead of the second Saturday of each month. Gill seconded the motion. M.C.U.

Princ. Hayes presented pictures from two companies of championship and conference banners for the east gymnasium and fine arts building. Action will be taken at the regular June Board meeting on championship banners. Conference banners will be voted on at a later date.

At 10:15 p.m. Burki made a motion to enter into executive session for "the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual". Book seconded the motion. M.C.U.
The executive session was declared over at 10:52 p.m.

Burki moved to approved the business manager's salary for the 2014-15 school year as agreed upon. Gill seconded the motion. M.C.U.

The next regular board meeting will be held on June 16, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. in the Ponca High School art room.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorrie Huston, Board Secretary