

SCHOOL BOARD WORKSHOP, HEARINGS, AND REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 16, 2013

The Board of Education of Dixon County School District 1 (also known as Ponca Public Schools) held a budget workshop, budget hearing, final tax request hearing, and regular meeting on September 16, 2013 in the Ponca High School Art Room. All were convened in open and public session and advance notice was publicly posted and given to all members of the Board of Education. Members present were Kenton Book, Doug Rickett, Richard Dohma and Phil Kramper. Others present were Supt. Joan Reznicek, Prin. Michelle Rinas, Sec. Lorrie Huston and 4 visitors.

The budget workshop began at 7:00 p.m. with Supt. Reznicek presenting the proposed 2013-14 school year budget figures. Burki joined the workshop at 7:08 p.m. Gill joined the workshop at 7:11 p.m. The workshop ended at 7:34 p.m. President Dohma opened the budget hearing at 7:35 p.m., calling for questions or concerns. The budget hearing was closed at 7:38 p.m. President Dohma opened the final tax request hearing at 7:38 p.m. The hearing was closed at 7:40 p.m.

President Dohma called the regular meeting to order at 7:45 p.m. and led the flag salute.

Supt. Reznicek briefly reviewed district policies #6110 on Instructional Time, #6121 on Curriculum Review Cycle, and #6210 on Development and Adoption of Curriculum from the new Board Policy book.

Kramper moved to approve the agenda with a second by Burki. M.C.U.

Mrs. Suzette McCarthy, PHS Business Instructor, explained to the Board that she is working on her 7-12 principal endorsement through UNK. Mrs. McCarthy requested ideas for a parent survey that she will be doing as a course requirement.

The minutes of the August 19, 2013 and August 30, 2013 meetings were approved on a motion by Kramper, second by Gill. M.C.U. Book made a motion, seconded by Rickett, to approve the financial reports. M.C.U. The Treasurer's report shows a General Fund balance of \$239,389.40, a Depreciation Fund balance of \$200,413.45, a Bond Fund balance of \$700,174.54, a Building Fund balance of \$37,294.95, an Employee Benefit fund balance of \$6,858.67, a combined Activity Fund balance of \$108,695.67, and a Hot Lunch Fund balance of \$34,534.94. General Fund bills totaling \$119,706.30, Building Fund Disbursements of \$12,350.55, and Sports Complex Disbursements of \$5,238.90 were approved with a motion by Rickett, second by Gill. Voting Aye: Kramper, Rickett, Book, Dohma, and Gill. Voting Aye but abstaining on check #22313 to MB Mowing: Burki. Motion Carried.

Principal Rinas reported a successful first PLC staff meeting on September 11th. The PLC committee suggested taking the faculty to South Sioux City Schools on September 30th to observe the groups already in progress there.

Superintendent Reznicek informed the Board members of the Tax Modernization Hearings on Sept. 26th in Norfolk, the receipt of 2013-14 REAP and SRSA Title I Certifications, and the meeting with Julie Kutilek on Sept. 18th to look at the Jackson Playground.

Supt. Reznicek distributed comparisons of the electricity usage of two other similar sized schools. After discussion, President Dohma suggested forming a committee to address the issue of the HVAC system and the energy usage.

President Dohma also added that communication has been sent to Ryan Stearns and Phil Bang concerning the repairs to the cement and the need for a frost stoop by the outside locker room doors.

The NASB area membership meeting on Sept. 25th in Norfolk was discussed. Four Board members are being awarded Level Awards during that meeting.

NDE's report of exempt school children residing in the district was given to Board members.

The NASB State Conference will be held on November 20-22 at the LaVista Conference Center.

Rickett moved to approve the continuation of the Early Retirement Policy. Book seconded the motion. M.C.U.

The 2013-14 Budget was accepted on a motion by Gill, second by Rickett. M.C.U.

The 2013-14 Final Tax request was approved on a motion by Book, second by Burki. M.C.U.

Principal Hayes joined the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

After discussion and review of bids for the Ponca elementary building roof, Book moved to approve the bid from Winkler Roofing if they include foaming the edges of the roof. Kramper seconded the motion. M.C.U.

Kramper made a motion to approve a bid submitted by Anderson-Ladd to refinish the east gym floor. Gill seconded the motion. M.C.U.

Principal Hayes reported that the water softeners and water heater have been installed at the Jackson elementary school. The elementary students and teachers are preparing for MAP testing. As Athletic Director, Hayes will be attending a meeting for the proposal of the baseball and softball policies. He also spoke of the possibility in 2014-15 of making it mandatory for C2 school teams to play 11-man football.

Gill made the motion to go into Executive Session for the protection of public interest. Burki seconded the motion. M.C.U. The Board went into executive session at 9:30 p.m. The session was declared over at 9:50 p.m.

The next regular board meeting will be held on October 21st at 7:30 p.m. at the Jackson Elementary School.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorrie Huston, Secretary