

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the  
Board of Education of Ponca Public Schools  
August 18, 2014 7:30 p.m.**

A meeting of the Board of Education of Ponca Public Schools was convened in open and public session on Monday, August 18, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. in the Ponca Public Schools art room, 505 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Ponca, Nebraska. Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication and/or 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, Gill, Dohma, Book, Burki. Also present were Supt. Reznicek, Princ. Rinas, Princ. Hayes, Sec. Huston and 9 visitors.

The Agenda was approved with a change to item "J" on a motion by Book and a second by Gill. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett. M.C. 6-0

Sean Masin updated the Board on the construction progress at the Sports Complex. Michelle Rinas and Suzette Curry presented information on the PLC committee's trip to a conference in Minneapolis.

Minutes from the July 21, 2014 meeting were approved with a motion by Kramper and a second by Dohma. Voting Aye: Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett, Book. M.C. 6-0

Financial reports were approved with a motion by Dohma and a second by Burki. Voting Aye: Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett, Book, Burki. M.C. 6-0 The Treasurer's report shows a General Fund balance of \$523,526.97; a Depreciation Fund balance of \$137,113.34; a Bond Fund balance of \$778,855.46; a Special Building Fund balance of \$253,593.07; an Employee Benefit Fund balance of \$1,481.19; an Activity Fund balance of \$132,914.22; and a Hot Lunch Fund balance of \$2,039.47.

Claims and accounts were approved with the addition of a disbursement to Husker service for \$700 on a motion by Book and a second by Gill. Voting Aye: Gill, Kramper, Rickett, Book, Dohma. Abstaining: Burki M.C. 5-0. General Fund disbursements totaled \$188,197.75; Building Fund disbursements totaled \$27,444.20 and Building Fund Sports Complex Disbursements totaled \$14,635.41.

Gill moved to approve the option enrollment requests into the District of Rachel Angle, Carmen Hoffman, Jared Ludwig, Katherine Ludwig, Carolyn Ludwig and MacKenzie Strong. Dohma seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Gill, Kramper, Rickett, Book, Burki, Dohma. M.C. 6-0

**New Business**

**A. Administration Reports:**

Supt. Reznicek, Principal Rinas and Principal Hayes reported on Administrator Days in Kearney. Kristie Hayes informed the Board of possible e-Rate funds for computer hardware in 2015/16.

Other topics presented by Administrators were: classroom sizes, first week of school, Joe Cole assembly on Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>, students' "Day of Service" on Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>, parent involvement meeting for Title I on Sept. 18<sup>th</sup> in Jackson, and MAP testing data from Fall 2013 to Spring 2014. Athletic Director Hayes gave participation numbers for fall sports of football, volleyball, softball and cross country.

**B. Board Communications and Committee Reports:**

A Board retreat with Marcia Herring will be held on October 14<sup>th</sup>.

The transportation committee reported that a bus would be delivered by Thursday to be used until the purchased bus arrives.

**C. School Bond Update:**

Paul Greiger updated the Board on the Build America Bonds for the 2009 High School construction project.

A resolution to call the existing Build America Bonds for early redemption passed with a motion by Dohma and a second by Burki. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett. M.C. 6-0.

A resolution to authorize issuance of general obligation refunding bonds in an amount not to exceed \$9,450,000 passed with a motion by Book and a second by Gill. Voting Aye: Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett, Book. M.C. 6-0.

**D. Home School Report:**

The updated Nebraska Dept. of Education home school report for the school district was reviewed.

**E. 2014 Area Membership Meeting:**

Gill moved to approve expenses to attend the Area Membership meeting. Kramper seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett, Book, Burki. M.C. 6-0.

**F. Concession Stand – Pay Staff Person:** No motion was made.

**G. 2014 Labor Relations Conference:** No motion was made.

**H. Para-Educator Resignation:**

The resignation of Julie McDowell as para-educator was approved with a motion by Dohma, second by Kramper. Voting Aye: Gill, Kramper, Rickett, Book, Burki, Dohma. M.C. 6-0.

**I. Hire Para-Educator:**

The hiring of Kelly Kastning as a high school special education para-educator was approved on a motion by Book, second by Dohma. Voting Aye: Kramper, Rickett, Book, Burki, Dohma, Gill. M.C. 6-0.

**J. Hire Para-Educators:**

The hiring of Samantha Hogan and Jackie Bruening as the Pre-K and Kindergarten para-educators passed with a motion by Dohma and a second by Burki. Voting Aye: Rickett, Book, Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper. M.C. 6-0.

**K. Sports Complex Bleachers:**

Book moved to approve payment not to exceed \$20,000 of the Sports Complex bleachers, cement, and rock for the installation of the bleachers. Dohma seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett. M.C. 6-0.

**L. Sports Complex Heating and Air Unit:**

The motion to approve a purchase up to \$12,000 for a heating and air conditioning unit for the sports complex was made by Kramper, seconded by Dohma. Voting Aye: Burki, Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett, Book. M.C. 6-0.

Burki made a motion to enter into Executive Session for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual. Gill seconded the motion.

Voting Aye: Dohma, Gill, Kramper, Rickett, Book, Burki. M.C. 6-0. The executive session began at 9:35 p.m. and was declared over at 10:34 p.m.

**M. Non-Certified Staff Salaries:**

Dohma moved to approve non-certificated salary and benefit changes as discussed in executive session. Burki seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Gill, Kramper, Rickett, Book, Burki, Dohma. M.C. 6-0.

A special meeting will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 20, 2014 in the high school art room. The next regular meeting will be held September 15, 2014 at 7:30 p.m. in the high school art room.

**The meeting was adjourned at 10:36 p.m.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Lorrie Huston, Board Secretary**