

**Ashland-Greenwood Public Schools
Board of Education
Meeting Minutes
December 21, 2009**

Opening

A meeting of the Board of Education of Ashland-Greenwood Public School was convened in open and public session at 6:00 p.m. on December 21, 2009 by President Kevin Garner.

Present

The roll was called and the following Board members were present: Randy Beranek, Melvin Cerny, Kevin Garner, David Nygren, Suzanne Sapp and Karen Stille. No members were absent.

Notice of the meeting was posted in advance in the Superintendent's Office, 1225 Clay Street, Ashland, NE. Notice of this meeting was given in advance to all members of the Board of Education. All proceedings of the Board of Education, except as may be hereinafter noted, were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public.

Call to Order

The meeting was duly called to order.

Announcement of Open Meetings Act Posting

At the beginning of this meeting, President Garner announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted on the wall behind the board members in the meeting room.

Agenda Change

There was no change to the mailed agenda.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Beranek with second by Nygren to approve all of the items on the consent agenda except for claims: #026976 Lee Sapp Ford-Mercury, \$80.85 & #027004 Suzanne Sapp, \$128.69. After discussion and on roll call vote, the board voted as follows: Voting yes: Beranek, Cerny, Garner, Nygren, Sapp and Stille. Voting no: none. No members were absent and not voting. Motion carried.

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Administrative and Practitioners Reports

Mr. Pease reported that the bid opening scheduled for Tuesday, December 22 has been rescheduled to Wednesday, December 23.

OLD BUSINESS

2009-10 School Calendar

Consideration and action to approve the proposed 2010-11 school calendar. Pease presented one comment for review. Pease told board members that the calendar does note 190 staff days and 180 student days however those days have 5 snow days built in and will be adjusted to break earlier for the summer if not used. Discussion was held.

Motion by Sapp with second by Cerny to approve the 2010-2011 school calendar. After discussion and on roll call vote, the board voted as follows: Voting yes: Beranek, Cerny, Garner, Nygren, Sapp and Stille. Voting no: none. No members were absent and not voting. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Personnel Issues

Consideration and action to continue appointment Nancy Ray as long term substitute in High School English department indefinitely. Discussion was held.

Motion by Stille with second by Cerny to continue appointment Nancy Ray as long term substitute in High School English department indefinitely. After discussion and on roll call vote, the board voted as follows: Voting yes: Beranek, Cerny, Garner, Nygren, Sapp and Stille. Voting no: none. No members were absent and not voting. Motion carried.

Principal Jacobsen presented a handout of activities that the Assistant Activity Director would be responsible for covering overall supervision of the event including handling gate cash, admissions, travel arrangement, student supervision and any building problems. The compensation for the position on the Extra Curricular Schedule would be Category II. Jacobsen recommended Trisha Nichelson for the position. Discussion was held.

Motion by Nygren with second by Sapp to appoint Trisha Nichelson as Assistant Activities Director and compensate the position on the Extra Curricula Schedule at Category II. After discussion and on roll call vote, the board voted as follows: Voting yes: Beranek, Cerny, Garner, Nygren, Sapp and Stille. Voting no: none. No members were absent and not voting. Motion carried.

Jill Finkey reported to the board that the Technology Committee has made a recommendation to create a position of Technology Technician with placement on the Classified Salary Schedule at Level II. Finkey stated that Jeff Laughlin had been hired this fall as a Technology Aide and is doing a good job. The Technology Committee is proposing to create this position for Laughlin and recommended an increase in pay with an adjustment accordingly effective with the January payroll. Finkey told board members that Laughlin was taking certification to be able to do maintenance on the laptops, once Laughlin is certified HP will reimburse the district for warranty work performed by a certified technician. Laughlin also works with the district's network system. Finkey told board members that often Laughlin is the first point of contact for students and staff as he does not have classroom responsibilities. Discussion was held.

Motion by Nygren with second by Cerny to approve a change in the Classified Wage Scale to place the position of Technology Technician at Level II and adjust pay accordingly.

After discussion and on roll call vote, the board voted as follows: Voting yes: Beranek, Cerny, Garner, Nygren, Sapp and Stille. Voting no: none. No members were absent and not voting. Motion carried.

Policy 5142.1

Supt. Pease presented policy 5142.1 for board review. This policy is being recommended because the federal government is requiring that we have a more comprehensive policy on physical restraint and seclusion. The policy presented for your review was written by our school attorney and complies with the state and federal requirements. Discussion was held. This policy will be brought at the next board meeting for adoption.

Informational Items

Supt. Pease will present the ACT Scores at an upcoming meeting.

Supt. Pease presented to the board the notice on Board of Education election.

Other business presented for future considerations

Mel Cerny reported to the board that he had attended the State School Board Conference and he had really enjoyed the meetings. Cerny said he enjoyed the meetings and gained some new information as well as reinforced some of his knowledge as a board member. He also told board members that it interesting to visit with other board members. Cerny said he plans to attend again and encouraged board members to attend in the future.

Garner inquired about the baseball team and Jacobsen reported that some names for the mascot had been discussed but nothing had been decided.

Adjournment

President Garner adjourned the meeting at 6:55 p.m. The next regular meeting and the Annual meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, January 18, 2010, in the Library of the High School at 1842 Furnas Street, Ashland, Nebraska. All meetings are open to the public. An agenda for the meeting, kept continuously current, is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the Superintendent's Office, 1225 Clay Street, Ashland, Nebraska.

Minutes submitted by:
