

**Ashland-Greenwood Public Schools
Board of Education
Meeting Minutes
October 15, 2007**

Opening

A meeting of the Board of Education of the Ashland-Greenwood Public Schools was convened in open and public session following the public hearing at 9:30 p.m. on 15th day of October 2007 by Vice-President Randy Beranek.

Present

The roll was called and the following Board members were present: Randy Beranek, Melvin Cerny, Kevin Garner, David Lutton and Suzanne Sapp. Member David Nygren was absent.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication in the Ashland Gazette on September 27, 2007. 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, Vice President Beranek announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted on the north wall of the meeting room, behind the board members.

Agenda Change

There was no change to the published agenda.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Sapp with second by Lutton to approve all of the items on the consent agenda. After discussion and on roll call vote, the board voted as follows: Voting yes: Beranek, Cerny, Garner, Lutton and Sapp. Voting no: none. Member Nygren was absent. Motion carried.

Visitors and Communication from the Public

There were no visitors or communication from the public.

Administrative and Practitioners Reports

No administrative reports were presented during the regular meeting due to late start.

Technology Plan

A Technology Plan was distributed prior to a quorum being present or the meeting being called to order due to the meetings late start. No action was considered or discussion taken during the regular meeting.

Clear Creek Elementary Sale

Supt. Pease advised the board that a survey of the Clear Creek Property had been completed by Louis Austin. Mr. Austin was able to locate an old road survey that aided in locating the northwest point of the property.

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Clear Creek Elementary Sale, continued.

Mr. Pease presented the board with an updated list of all surplus inventory with the addition of Bernina sewing machines.

Motion by Lutton with second by Cerny to approve the updated inventory list including sewing machines. After discussion and on roll call vote, the board voted as follows: Voting yes: Beranek, Cerny, Garner, Lutton and Sapp. Voting no: none. Member Nygren was absent. Motion carried.

RFQ Proposals for Performance Contracting

Supt. Pease provided the board with two proposal books from Trane and Siemens on the RFQ proposals for Performance Contracting.

Motion by Cerny with second by Garner to table action to choose performance contractor for energy project. After discussion and on roll call vote, the board voted as follows: Voting yes: Beranek, Cerny, Garner, Lutton and Sapp. Voting no: none. Member Nygren was absent. Motion carried.

Parking Lot

Supt. Pease presented to the board an updated plan for parking lot expansion at the Ashland-Greenwood High School. Board members reviewed the changes to the plan document that included the about 100 new parking stalls, sidewalk to the track and a turn around to allow trucks to back into the dock area. Mr. Pease told board members that the bid documents are ready to be prepared to put a December bidding date in place. Work to take place after May 7 with a completion date of July 10. Discussion was held.

NEW BUSINESS

Personnel

Consideration and action to approve Kathy Bogus as a substitute custodial staff member and Kathleen Schneider as a substitute Teacher. Motion by Sapp with second by Lutton to approve Kathy Bogus as a substitute custodial staff member and Kathleen Schneider as a substitute Teacher. After discussion and on roll call vote, the board voted as follows: Voting yes: Beranek, Cerny, Garner, Lutton and Sapp. Voting no: none. Member Nygren was absent. Motion carried.

LB641 The Learning Community Bill

Supt. Pease presented to the board the state aid formula that will now be in place with the passing of LB641. The new formula creates allowances in the calculation of needs. The method of resources stays the same but allowances are made for poverty students, classroom size, summer school programs, and English Learner. Supt. Pease compared the projected calculation of the new formula with the existing formula. Pease told board members that the needs side of funding will be close to the same as year ago but our adjusted values are up so aid will likely decline. Pease also told board members that plans will need to be submitted to the Nebraska Department of Education for a Limited English Program and a program to serve poverty students.

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ASAP Program

Supt. Pease presented to the board the Academic Support and Achievement Program plan. ASAP is a program for K-12 students that come from lower socio-economic backgrounds. Discussion was held.

Motion by Lutton with second by Sapp to approve the Academic Support and Achievement Program plan. After discussion and on roll call vote, the board voted as follows: Voting yes: Beranek, Cerny, Garner, Lutton and Sapp. Voting no: none. Member Nygren was absent. Motion carried

Limited English Program

Supt. Pease presented the Limited English Proficiency Plan for 2008-09 to the board. This plan will aid students who do not speak English as their primary language. Under the plan a para-professional would be hired to support the regular instructional staff and work with students who do not have English as their primary language.

Motion by Sapp with second by Garner to approve the LEP Plan. After discussion and on roll call vote, the board voted as follows: Voting yes: Beranek, Cerny, Garner, Lutton and Sapp. Voting no: none. Member Nygren was absent. Motion carried

Information Items

The Nebraska School Boards Association State Conference is scheduled for November 15 and 16 in Omaha.

The Nebraska Property Tax Administrators on the Adjusted Valuation Report for the school district for 2007.

Notice of redistricting Educational Service Unit #2 board districts.

Other business presented for future considerations

No other items were presented for future consideration during this session.

Adjournment

Vice President Beranek adjourned the meeting at 10:17 p.m. The next Regular Meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, November 19, 2007 in the Library of the High School at 1842 Furnas Street, Ashland, NE. 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, NE 68003.

Minutes submitted by:

Suzanne Sapp, Secretary