

**ELKHORN PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
FEBRUARY 11, 2008**

The regular meeting of the Elkhorn Public Schools Board of Education was called to order at 7:30 pm. Members present: K. Fasse, J. Marasco, C. Bull, A. Long, P. Wortman and T. Dreessen (entered at 7:50 pm.) President A. Long noted that the meeting was governed by the Open Meeting Act, a copy of which is posted on the north wall of the Board Room.

President A. Long read a "Good News Report" recognizing the ten wrestlers from Elkhorn High School who qualified for the state tournament. They are: Jake Stangl (103), Cameron Gleason (112), Any Martin (119), Kyle Jukes (125), Alex Simpson (135), Matt Lentz (140), Craig Butler (171), Taylor Keen (189), Austin Sells (215), and Thomas Hamik (285).

The Board received a report from new EHS Student Council Co-Presidents Taylor Marasco and Matt Moylan. The Board also recognized and received comments from Legislative District 39 candidates Bob Tingelhoff and Rex Moats.

Linda Middleton, 2405 South 217<sup>th</sup> Street, reported to the Board on the preliminary plans for this summer's Elkhorn Days.

It was moved by P. Wortman, seconded by K. Fasse, to approve the following Consent Agenda items:

- Approval of Agenda.
- Approval of Minutes of the Monday, January 14, 7:30 pm Regular Meeting, and the Monday, January 28, 7:30 pm Special Meeting.
- Approval of enrollment option in (automatic waiver) requests for S. Jennings (7 - EMS), A. Zach (3 - Skyline), W. Zach (4 - Skyline), O. Zach (5 - Skyline), and E. Barber (10 - EHS).
- Approval of February bills for payment.

Vote: K. Fasse – yes, C. Bull – yes, J. Marasco – yes, A. Long – yes, T. Dreessen – yes, P. Wortman – yes. Motion carried.

Fiscal Agent D. Smith presented a resolution to recall and reissue bonds for a savings of over \$831,000 to the school district. It was moved by C. Bull, seconded by J. Marasco, to approve the resolution(s) to recall/refund the specified bonds and reissue same as recommended by fiscal agent D. Smith of D. A. Davidson and the administration.

Vote: C. Bull – yes, J. Marasco – yes, A. Long – yes, T. Dreessen – yes, P. Wortman – yes, K. Fasse – yes. Motion carried.

Associate Superintendent S. Baker explained the Hillrise and Skyline roofing projects and bid process. It was moved by P. Wortman, seconded by T. Dreessen, to award the roofing contract for Hillrise Elementary School to APR/Boone Brothers for \$345,200 as recommended by the administration.

Vote: J. Marasco – yes, A. Long – yes, T. Dreessen – yes, P. Wortman – yes, K. Fasse – yes, C. Bull – yes. Motion carried.

It was moved by K. Fasse, seconded by C. Bull, to award the roofing contract for Skyline Elementary School to APR/Boone Brothers for \$394,999 as recommended by the administration.

Vote: A. Long – yes, T. Dreessen – yes, P. Wortman – yes, K. Fasse – yes, C. Bull – yes, J. Marasco – yes. Motion carried.

Superintendent R. Breed gave the Personnel Report including vacancies and transfer requests.

Assistant Superintendent C. Gray reported to the Board on the annual textbook purchase request for private school students. It was moved by T. Dreessen, seconded by P. Wortman, to approve the application to NDE for distribution of funds to purchase textbooks for district private school students in the amount of \$31,294.21 as recommended by the administration.

Vote: C. Bull - yes, J. Marasco – yes, A. Long – yes, T. Dreessen – yes, P. Wortman – yes, K. Fasse – yes. Motion carried.

The Board received a report from T. Nowka, lobbyist, regarding the status of legislation; and discussed possible new laws.

Upon recommendation of the superintendent, it was moved by C. Bull, seconded by P. Wortman, to set the regular March Board meeting for Monday, March 3, at 7:30 pm, a special March meeting for Monday, March 31, and the Spring Board-Administrator Workshop for Monday, April 28, at 4:00 pm.

Vote: J. Marasco – yes, A. Long – yes, T. Dreessen – yes, P. Wortman – yes, K. Fasse – yes, C. Bull – yes. Motion carried.

The Board received a report from Superintendent R. Breed regarding the status of the proposal Focus School. The Board discussed pros, cons, costs and work yet to be done.

The Board requested detailed reports on the Focus School concerning personnel, selection of students and curriculum at the March Board meeting. It was moved by

C. Bull, seconded by J. Marasco, to support the Focus School as presented and to direct the superintendent to determine the fair share involvement of the Elkhorn School district.

Vote: J. Marasco – yes, A. Long – yes, T. Dreessen – yes, P. Wortman – yes, K. Fasse – yes, C. Bull – yes. Motion carried.

Superintendent R. Breed requested an executive (closed) session to discuss possible real estate purchases. It was moved by P. Wortman, seconded by T. Dreessen, for the Board to go into executive (closed) session at 9:35 pm for the purpose of discussing possible real estate purchases.

Vote: K. Fasse – yes, C. Bull – yes, J. Marasco – yes, A. Long – yes, T. Dreessen – yes, P. Wortman – yes. Motion carried.

President A. Long called the Board into open session at 10:01 pm. The Board discussed and set the Spring Board Visit Day for Tuesday, April 8. The Board also discussed holding a candidate's forum in conjunction with the April 28 Board-Administrator Workshop.

President A. Long adjourned the meeting at 10:22 pm. The next regular meeting of the Board will be at 7:30 pm on Monday, March 3, 2008, in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 20650 Glenn Street, Elkhorn NE.

Such meeting shall be open to the public and an agenda will be available prior to the meeting of the Superintendent's Office.