

**ELKHORN PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES  
SPECIAL MEETING  
MARCH 31, 2008**

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

A revised Consent Agenda was presented and recommended. It was moved by T. Dreessen, seconded by J. Marasco, to approve the following Consent Agenda items:

- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of Enrollment Option Opt-in (automatic waiver) requests for C. Watson (5-Manchester), E. Spellerberg (K-Hillrise), K. Chaloupka (11-EHS-sibling), P. Bezousek (6-EMS), M. Cox (4-Hillrise) and M. Cox (3-Hillrise).
- Approval of Admission of Foreign Exchange Student Camile Calicis (Belgium) residing with Gus & Nancy Checketts, 7901 North 216<sup>th</sup> Street.

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

Superintendent R. Breed gave the personnel report and recommendations including resignations, appointments, CADRE teachers and continuing contracts of probationary certificated teachers and administrators.

It was moved by K. Fasse, seconded by T. Dreessen, to accept the resignations, effective May 23, 2008, from Kyle Black (HS SPED/Transition/Coordinator), Cathy Simmelink (HS Math), Rachel Tesmer (.5 HS Speech/Drama), Kelly Lingenfelter (EMS 8<sup>th</sup> Social Science), Don Petersen (Elementary PE), Maureen Bock (HS Math), Melinda Randall (HS Spanish) and Brett Lackey (HS Math) with regret and thanks for their service as recommended by the superintendent.

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

It was moved by J. Marasco, seconded by K. Fasse, to appoint elementary teachers – Cindy Campbell, Lisa Frank, Lori Reese, Rebecca Wieneke, and Jennifer Coltvét; elementary physical education teacher Chris Kuncl and .5 elementary physical education Brian Richter; .5 elementary music teacher Julie Patchen; middle school core teacher Ron Phelps; high school math teachers Briana Ritter, Dade MacDonald, and Lindsay Wood; and high school English teacher Sara Rasmussen for the 2008-09 school year as recommended by the superintendent.

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

It was moved by T. Dreessen, seconded by J. Marasco, to accept MOEC cadre teachers Megan Phelps (EMS – 6<sup>th</sup> Core), Erin Foster (Elem SPED assigned to Hillrise), Ashley Bailey (Elem assigned to Fire Ridge), and Lindsay Jarecki (Elem assigned to Spring Ridge) for the 2008-09 school year as recommended by the superintendent.

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

It was moved by J. Marasco, seconded by K. Fasse, to approve the continuing contracts of the probationary certificated teachers and administrators as presented and recommended by the superintendent.

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

Superintendent R. Breed presented the vacancy status report to the Board and announced the assignment of Don Pechous as Spring Ridge Principal beginning with the 2008-09 school year.

Negotiations Committee Chair J. Marasco gave the committee report and recommendations. Details of the second year of the contract with the Elkhorn Education Association were presented. Support staff wages/benefits and administrator salaries for 2008-09 were also presented and discussed.

It was moved by T. Dreessen, seconded by K. Fasse, to approve the support staff wages and benefits and administrator salaries for 2008-09 as recommended by the Board Negotiations Committee.

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

Superintendent R. Breed reported to the Board on the status of locating a suitable elementary school site near 180<sup>th</sup> and West Dodge. It was moved by J. Marasco, seconded by T. Dreessen, to authorize the school district and administration to commence the process for the acquisition of private real property for an elementary school site from E & G Investments, LLC and all other parties who may have an interest, in the vicinity of HWS Cleveland Blvd and 184<sup>th</sup> Avenue as recommended by the superintendent.

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

The Board received reports about and discussed the following topics:

- Policy issues (snow/cold days, co-op activities)
- Enrollment issues at Fire Ridge and Manchester
- Spring Board Visit Day on April 8
- Board-Administrator Discussion Report Topics for April 28, 2008, Workshop
- Legislation (LB 988, LB 1157, and LB 1154)

The superintendent requested an executive (closed) session to discuss a possible real estate purchase. It was moved by J. Marasco, seconded by T. Dreessen, for the Board to go into executive (closed) session at 8:50 pm for the purpose of discussing possible real estate purchases.

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

Acting President C. Bull called the Board into open session at 9:13 pm and adjourned the meeting at that time. The next regular meeting of the Board will be at 7:30 pm on Monday, April 14, 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 at the Superintendent's Office.