

**ELKHORN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
January 8, 2018**

The regular meeting of the Elkhorn Public Schools Board of Education was called to order at 6:30 PM. Members present: J. Marasco, C. Burney, A. Clark, A. Parks, R. Vokt, and S. Zingler. President John Marasco noted that the meeting was governed by the Open Meetings Act, a copy of which is posted on the east wall of the Board Room.

For the "Good News Report" J. Marasco reported that on December 5th, the New York Times reported results from a Stanford University study that looked at the amount of learning growth that is achieved by districts across the nation. Elkhorn was scored at the 100th percentile; the top possible rating in the study. The review indicated that Elkhorn students achieved 6.4 years of growth during 5 years of school.

https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2017/12/05/upshot/a-better-way-to-compare-public-schools.html?rref=collection%2Fsectioncollection%2Feducation&action=click&contentCollection=education®ion=stream&module=stream_unit&version=latest&contentPlacement=3&pgtype=sectionfront

It was moved by C. Burney, seconded by S. Zingler to approve the Consent Agenda items including: approval of agenda, approval of minutes for Monday, December 11, 2017 and approval of January bills for payment.

VOTE: J. Marasco – yes; A. Parks - yes; R. Vokt - yes; S. Zingler - yes; C. Burney - yes; A. Clark - yes

The annual public policy hearing was convened at 6:35 PM. Members present: J. Marasco, C. Burney, A. Clark, A. Parks, R. Vokt, and S. Zingler. CFO P. Roth gave a report on the status of the student fees fund. There was no public comment and the hearing adjourned at 6:38 PM.

It was moved by C. Burney, seconded by A. Clark that the Superintendent be appointed temporary chair of the Board of Education for the purpose of electing officers for the 2018 year.

VOTE: J. Marasco - yes; A. Parks - yes; R. Vokt - yes; S. Zingler - yes; C. Burney - yes; A. Clark - yes

It was moved by A. Clark, seconded by A. Parks to organize the officers of the Board of Education for the 2018 as follows:

President	Board Member
Secretary	Board Member
Treasurer	Board Member
Acting Secretary	Superintendent

and that all checks and warrants be signed by the President and Secretary, or Treasurer as a substitute.

VOTE: J. Marasco - yes; A. Parks - yes; R. Vokt - yes; S. Zingler - yes; C. Burney - yes; A. Clark - yes

It was moved by A. Parks, seconded by S. Zingler to elect John Marasco as President, Chuck Burney as Secretary, and Aaron Clark as Treasurer for 2018.

VOTE: J. Marasco - yes; A. Parks - yes; R. Vokt - yes; S. Zingler - yes; C. Burney - yes; A. Clark - yes

It was moved by A. Parks, seconded by R. Vokt to appoint J. Marasco as the chair of the Board of Education.

VOTE: J. Marasco - yes; A. Parks - yes; R. Vokt - yes; S. Zingler - yes; C. Burney - yes; A. Clark - yes

It was moved by S. Zingler, seconded by A. Parks to readopt all board policies, rules, and regulations as required by State law.

VOTE: J. Marasco - yes; A. Parks - yes; R. Vokt - yes; S. Zingler - yes; C. Burney - yes; A. Clark - yes

It was moved by J. Marasco, seconded by S. Zingler to designate Pinnacle Bank and American National Bank as the district's primary depositories for 2018, and First National Bank Fremont as the bond fund depository. The Board President and Secretary shall be the authorized signers for all checks drawn on district accounts. The Treasurer shall be an authorized signer in absence of the President or Secretary. Authorization is also given for the district to use other institutions for investment purposes as needs arise. The Superintendent and Associate Superintendent are authorized as agents of the district to establish accounts as necessary for investment purposes. Within this resolution, the President Marasco and Secretary Burney are authorized to execute all necessary documents with Pinnacle Bank to establish a \$4,000,000 line of credit. Also, CFO P. Roth is approved as the authorized person to request advances under the terms of the line of credit. Authorization is granted for district issued credit cards in the names of the Superintendent, Ex. Director of Business Services, and from time to time on a limited basis other such staff as deemed necessary and appropriate by the Superintendent and in compliance with State statute and board policy.

VOTE: J. Marasco - yes; A. Parks - yes; R. Vokt - yes; S. Zingler - yes; C. Burney - yes; A. Clark - yes

It was moved by A. Clark, seconded by A. Parks to approve the resignation of Chris West effective December 22, 2017 and the resignations of Carlie Bull, Pamela Wright, and Brittani Harrill effective at the end of the 2017-18 school year.

VOTE: A. Parks - yes; R. Vokt - yes; S. Zingler - yes; C. Burney - yes; A. Clark - yes; J. Marasco - yes

It was moved by C. Burney, seconded by R. Vokt to approve the appointment of Lauren Lienemann effective for the second semester of the 2017-18 school year. Additionally, the appointments of CADRE Teachers in collaboration with the University of Nebraska at Omaha: Haley Snyder, Olivia Acri, and Brittani Harrill for 2018-19.

VOTE: R. Vokt - yes; S. Zingler - yes; C. Burney - yes; A. Clark - yes; J. Marasco - yes; A. Parks - yes

It was moved by R. Vokt, seconded by C. Burney to approve the 2018-19 Curriculum Proposals as recommended by the Curriculum Committee and administration at an estimated of \$15,000.

VOTE: S. Zingler - yes; C. Burney - yes; A. Clark - yes; J. Marasco - yes; A. Parks - yes; R. Vokt - yes

It was moved by S. Zingler, seconded by R. Vokt to approve the 2018-19 Enrollment Option Standards Resolution as presented and recommended by the administration.

VOTE: C. Burney - yes; A. Clark - yes; J. Marasco - yes; A. Parks - yes; R. Vokt - yes; S. Zingler - yes

It was moved by C. Burney, seconded by S. Zingler to approve the bond issue resolution in the amount of \$149,615,000 as recommended by the Buildings and Grounds Committee and administration as prepared by D.A. Davidson and legal counsel, Gilmore & Bell, P.C.

VOTE: A. Clark - yes; J. Marasco - yes; A. Parks - yes; R. Vokt - yes; S. Zingler - yes; C. Burney - yes

CFO P. Roth reported on the Tax Exempt Finance Compliance Report.

The Elkhorn Board of Education went into Closed Session at 7:40 PM for the purposes of discussing litigation strategies. No action was taken during this Closed Session and the board reconvened in Open Session prior to adjournment by President J. Marasco at 8:09 PM.

The next regular meeting of the board is scheduled for Monday, February 12, 2018, at 6:30 PM, in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 20650 Glenn Street, Elkhorn, NE 68022.