

**ELKHORN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
MINUTES OF BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING
December 9, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Elkhorn Public Schools Board of Education was called to order at 6:30 PM. Members present: J. Marasco, A. Parks, A. Clark, C. Burney, R. Vokt, and N. Rogic-Greufe. 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 congratulated all students who participated in the District-wide spelling bee! Students earning top honors include: 1st Place: Ananya Prassanna, West Bay Elementary; 2nd Place: Jay Athipatla, Fire Ridge Elementary; 3rd Place: Will Kolander, Hillrise Elementary and Ajay Pasupuleti, Manchester Elementary. Additionally, EPS was recently named one of two Nebraska districts on the College Board AP Honor Roll! This honor, which the District has received for 8 consecutive years, is reflective of the culture our staff has created to continually raise the academic bar for all students, and we extend our congratulations to all involved in this endeavor. Also, EPS elementary schools recently participated in the Marris Math Competition and teams representing Skyline, Manchester, and Sagewood earned 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places, respectively. Congratulations to all participants and thank you for representing EPS!

It was moved by C. Burney, seconded by A. Clark to approve the Consent Agenda items including: approval of agenda, approval of minutes for Monday, November 11, 2019 6:30 PM and the Board/Administrator Workshop, Monday, November 25, 2019 2:00 PM, approval of December bills for payment, and Exchange Student Gonzalo Sanz in 2020-21.

VOTE: A. Clark – yes; J. Marasco - yes; A. Parks - yes; R. Vokt - yes; N. Rogic-Greufe - yes; C. Burney – yes

It was moved by R. Vokt, seconded by A. Parks to approve the new personnel for the 2020-21 school year in response to student enrollment growth and new schools as presented and recommended by the administration and the Board American Civics and Curriculum Committee at an estimated cost of \$5,335,190. Notably, one of these positions will be hired beginning second semester 2019-20 to meet elementary special education needs.

VOTE: C. Burney – yes, A. Clark – yes; J. Marasco - yes; A. Parks - yes; R. Vokt - yes; N. Rogic-Greufe - yes

It was moved by N. Rogic-Greufe, seconded by A. Clark to approve removal of English 12, replacement of Advanced Earth Science with Advanced Physical Science II, and replacement of Consumer Home Maintenance with an additional location for Small Engines at Elkhorn South High School as recommended by the administration and Board American and Civics Curriculum Committee.

VOTE: N. Rogic-Greufe - yes; C. Burney – yes, A. Clark – yes; J. Marasco - yes; A. Parks - yes; R. Vokt - yes

It was moved by A. Parks, seconded by N. Rogic-Greufe to approve the request for a release of contract by Jackie Halsey effective after the end of the first semester of the 2019-20 school year.

VOTE: R. Vokt - yes; N. Rogic-Greufe - yes; C. Burney – yes, A. Clark – yes; J. Marasco - yes; A. Parks - yes

It was moved by C. Burney, seconded by A. Parks to approve the resignations of Dr. Kendra Schneider and Janet Koenig effective at the end of the 2019-20 contract year.

VOTE: A. Parks - yes; R. Vokt - yes; N. Rogic-Greufe - yes; C. Burney – yes, A. Clark – yes; J. Marasco - yes

It was moved by N. Rogic-Greufe, seconded by A. Clark to approve the appointments of Rachel Porter and McKenna Sorensen beginning January 3, 2019.

VOTE: J. Marasco - yes; A. Parks - yes; R. Vokt - yes; N. Rogic-Greufe - yes; C. Burney – yes, A. Clark – yes

It was moved by A. Clark, seconded by R. Vokt to approve the playground surfacing proposal submitted by Creative Sites for \$170,478 at Woodbrook Elementary School and the Blue Sage Preschool addition.

VOTE: A. Parks - yes; R. Vokt - yes; N. Rogic-Greufe - yes; C. Burney – yes, A. Clark – yes; J. Marasco - yes

It was moved by A. Parks, seconded by C. Burney to approve the weight room equipment from the proposal submitted by Push, Pedal, Pull for \$210,178.59 to be installed at Elkhorn North High School.

VOTE: R. Vokt - yes; N. Rogic-Greufe - yes; C. Burney – yes, A. Clark – yes; J. Marasco - yes; A. Parks - yes

It was moved by A. Clark, seconded by N. Rogic-Greufe to approve the Negotiated Agreement as recommended by the Negotiations Committee that includes a 4.0% package increase in 2020-21 and a 3.75% increase in 2021-22. The agreement also increases the extra duty schedule by one-half percent in 2020-21.

VOTE: N. Rogic-Greufe - yes; C. Burney – yes, A. Clark – yes; J. Marasco - yes; A. Parks - yes; R. Vokt – yes

The Board received a report regarding the 2020-2021 intra-district staff transfers to Woodbrook Elementary and Elkhorn North High School.

The Elkhorn Board of Education was adjourned by President J. Marasco at 7:02 PM. The next regular meeting of the Board is scheduled for Monday, January 13, 2020 at 6:30 PM, in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 20650 Glenn Street, Elkhorn, NE 68022.