

**Minutes of Regular Meeting
Board of Education School District 21-0025
Custer County Nebraska
January 18, 2010**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was opened at 2:05 PM by President Kevin Cooksley. Present were Kevin Cooksley, Don Davis, John Evans, Ken Myers, Tracy Popp, and Michelle Zlomke. Also present were Ken Kujath, Kim Jonas, Ryan Hogue and Dr. Timothy B. Shafer.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present.

Mr. Cooksley announced the posting and location of the Open Meetings Act.

VERIFICATION OF PUBLICATION AND NOTIFICATION

Motion by Davis, second by Popp to verify that notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Custer County Chief, a legal newspaper for Custer County, and by written notice to each member of the board, the designated method of giving notice. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Cooksley, Davis, Evans, Myers, Popp, Zlomke. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

ELECTION OF BOARD PRESIDENT

Michelle Zlomke nominated Kevin Cooksley for Board President. Motion by Davis, second by Myers for nominations to cease and for an unanimous ballot for Mr. Cooksley for President. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Davis, Evans, Myers, Popp, Zlomke. Voting Nay: None. Abstain: Cooksley. Motion carried. Kevin Cooksley is elected Board President for 2010.

ELECTION OF BOARD VICE-PRESIDENT

Tracy Popp nominated Michelle Zlomke for Board Vice-President. Motion by Davis, second by Cooksley for nominations to cease and for an unanimous ballot for Mrs. Zlomke for Vice-President. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Evans, Myers, Popp, Cooksley, Davis. Voting Nay: None. Abstain: Zlomke. Motion carried. Michelle Zlomke is elected Board Vice-President for 2010.

ELECTION OF BOARD TREASURER

Kevin Cooksley nominated Tracy Popp for Treasurer. Motion by Davis, second by Myers for nominations to cease and for an unanimous ballot for Mrs. Popp for Treasurer. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Myers, Zlomke, Cooksley, Davis, Evans. Voting Nay: None. Abstain: Popp. Motion carried. Tracy Popp is elected Board Treasurer for 2010.

APPOINT BOARD SECRETARY

Motion by Zlomke, second by Popp to appoint Alberta Crawley as Board Secretary for 2010. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Popp, Zlomke, Cooksley, Davis, Evans, Myers. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

CONSOLIDATED MOTION

Motion by Popp, second by Evans to approve the minutes of the December 14th regular meeting, approve the treasurer's report and approve payment of January claims. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Zlomke, Cooksley, Davis, Evans, Myers, Popp. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None at this time.

BOARD PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

None at this time.

TEAM REPORTS

Facilities – Met on January 14th. Buses were discussed and are on the agenda. Needed classroom space at North Park was discussed as the two portables in Lincoln have been sold. Joe reported on a portable he looked at in Cozad. Property near North Park has been toured as a possible solution with concerns on the basement and the distance from North Park. Joe will call Lincoln Schools again as they have portables but are still assessing their needs for next year.

Finance – We are 33% through the budget year and are where we should be.

Interagency – Legislative Issues Conference is coming up as is a GNSA meeting and the Leadership Videoconference. Legislature is currently in session.

People – Met on January 12th to discuss principal contracts which are on the agenda.

Policy – Several policies are on the agenda.

PACT – None at this time.

Stakeholders – None at this time.

Conference Reports – None at this time.

PTA – Heidi VanLaningham reported that the Snowball Blast Contest for Box Tops for Education is underway. PTA is co-sponsoring a Whine and Roses Workshop.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Mr. Kujath – Reported on APL teacher training, upcoming 9-12 grade class meetings, a possible on-line Psychology class, Senior Exit Survey observations, eLearn, upcoming guest speaker Aaron Davis for grades 5-12, and a technology grant has been awarded and will be used to purchase notebook computers for Mr. Miller's Science classes.

Mrs. Jonas – North Park students used the emergency site of the Presbyterian Church to start their day due to a house fire near the school. This went very well and all were back at North Park by 9:30 AM. Technology has been upgraded at the elementary with installation of LCD projectors and mimios. Mrs. Jonas and 2 teachers will attend a conference on the gifted program. Enrichment classes begin for 3-5 grades in February.

Mr. Hogue – A handout was provided highlighting current activities.

Dr. Shafer – Presented his 10th Annual State of the District Address and the 11th Annual District Report Card. Dr. Shafer acknowledged each school board member as part of the Nebraska School Board Recognition Week.

The board took a brief recess.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEMS

POLICY 302.06

Motion by Cooksley, second by Evans to approve the 2nd reading to updated Policy 302.06 Superintendent Professional Development. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Cooksley, Evans, Myers, Popp, Zlomke. Voting Nay: Davis. Motion carried.

POLICY 505.07

Motion by Cooksley, second by Zlomke to approve the 2nd reading to new Policy 505.07 Restraint and Seclusion. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Davis, Evans, Myers, Popp, Zlomke, Cooksley. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

TEACHER RESIGNATION

Motion by Davis, second by Popp to approve the resignation from Janice White. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Evans, Myers, Popp, Zlomke, Cooksley, Davis. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

NOMINATE GRN REP

Motion by Myers, second by Zlomke to nominate Kevin Cooksley as the GRN Representative for 2010. Voting Aye: Myers, Popp, Zlomke, Davis, Evans. Voting Nay: None. Abstain: Cooksley. Motion carried.

BUS PROPOSAL

Joe Shea presented a proposal for 3 buses. The first bus would be purchased this year with IDEA Stimulus Funds and will replace a 15 passenger van for the Westerville bus route. This would be a 24 passenger, 1 wheelchair bus for \$54,832.00. The other two buses will be purchased next year using the same funding.

Motion by Davis, second by Myers to approve the purchase of a new 24 passenger Chevy bus. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Popp, Zlomke, Cooksley, Davis, Evans, Myers. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

WORK TEAM ASSIGNMENTS

Mr. Cooksley asked each member to write down the committees they would like to serve on.

FEBRUARY MEETING

The next regular board meeting will be held on February 15th at 7:00 PM. A work session will be scheduled to review the goals from the Board Retreat.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Popp, second by Davis to adjourn to Closed Session at 5:00 PM to discuss contract and salary packages for the Principals. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Zlomke, Cooksley, Davis, Evans, Myers, Popp. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried. Mr. Cooksley stated that the Principal's contracts and salary would be the only discussion item.

The board reconvened at 5:35 PM. Mr. Cooksley restated the only item of discussion was contracts and salary for the Principals.

PRINCIPAL CONTRACTS

Motion by Cooksley, second by Davis to offer a one year contract extension for 2010-11 to Kim Jonas of \$76,000 plus benefits. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Cooksley, Davis, Evans, Myers, Popp, Zlomke. Motion carried.

Motion by Cooksley, second by Davis to offer a one year contract extension for 2010-11 to Ryan Hogue of \$70,000 plus benefits. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Davis, Evans, Myers, Popp, Zlomke, Cooksley. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Cooksley, second by Davis to offer a one year contract extension for 2010-11 to Ken Kujath of \$92,000 plus benefits. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Evans, Myers, Popp, Zlomke, Cooksley, Davis. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

Motion by Popp, second by Zlomke to adjourn at 5:40 PM. Roll call vote: Voting Aye: Myers, Popp, Zlomke, Cooksley, Davis, Evans. Voting Nay: None. Motion carried.

President

Secretary