

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
HOMER COMMUNITY SCHOOL
May 12, 2014

A meeting of the Board of Education of Homer Community School was convened in open and public session on Monday, May 12, 2014 at 8:00 p.m. in the Library at Homer Community School, Homer, Nebraska. The following board members were present or absent:

Present: Troy Launsby, Darrin Brand, Tim Murphy, Aaron Reis, Paul Tighe and Randy Tremayne

Administration present: Superintendent Cheryll Malcom, Principal Randy Pirner, Principal Lora Crowe and Board Secretary Trish Rohde

Visitors present: Several

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication and/or posting in accordance with the Board approved method for giving notice of meetings. Notice of this meeting was given in to all members of the Board of Education. The Secretary of the Board maintains a list of the news media requesting notification of meetings and advance notification to the listed media of the time and place of the meeting and the subjects to be discussed at this meeting was provided. Availability of the agenda was communicated in the publicized notice and a current copy of the Agenda was maintained as stated in the publicized notice. All proceedings of the Board of Education, except as hereinafter noted, were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

I. Call Meeting to Order and Notification of Open Meeting Law

The meeting was duly called to order and the Vice President announced and informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted in the Library.

II. Roll Call – All members are present.

III. Approval of Agenda and Changes to Agenda

Dr. Malcom asked to move Item # 7b under Item # 6a. Motion was made by Tremayne seconded by Reis to approve the agenda as amended. On roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Voting for: Brand, Launsby, Murphy, Tighe, Tremayne and Reis

The motion carried 6-0.

IV. Consent Agenda

1. Approve the Minutes of the April 14th and April 28th meetings.

2. Approve claims and accounts from General Fund.

3. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve all items presented on the Consent Agenda.

Motion was made by Brand and seconded by Reis to approve all Consent Agenda items.

On roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Voting for: Launsby, Murphy, Tighe, Tremayne, Reis and Brand

The motion carried 6-0.

V. Communications

Extra Mile awards were presented to Grant Lander, Brandan Tighe and Brianna Carda for going above and beyond what is expected. They were commended for being role models, dedicated, respectful, helping classmates, sportsmanship, and friends to all.

HCS is fortunate to have exceptional volunteers that help and they were presented with a plant and gift card. The volunteers are Bonnie and Donald Wilke, Diane Peterson, Nicole and Troy Launsby. They were recognized for all the time they devote to the school and for helping students learn.

Principal Pirner reported the NESAs testing is complete and Graduation went very well.

Principal Crowe reported that NESAs testing is completed and scores improved, a Science Fair will be held on Thursday in the gym for 5th and 6th grades. Pride assembly will be on May 20th.

Dr. Malcom reported 96% attendance, Leadership Team held a retreat and will compile a report for the board, 3 employees attended a Wellness Policy meeting, PRIDE will be focused on next fall, CF Industries will help fund projects, ALICE training will be next fall, and the evacuation drill went well.

There was no public comment.

VI. Discussion Items

A. Facility Analysis – Jon Carlson presented the board with binders for site plans resulting from the facility analysis they conducted. The board will review the plans and discuss further at the June meeting.

7B. Motion was made by Tremayne and seconded by Brand to approve the bid from Durham Bus Service with fuel included for transportation services. On roll call vote, the board voted as follows:

Voting for: Tighe, Tremayne, Reis, Brand, Launsby and Murphy
The motion carried 6-0.

B. Dr. Malcom provided the board with a handout regarding the school finances and reviewed the cost per student vs the cost paid by the state for option enrollment students.

C. There is an issue with the Bleachers that the score table is off center. The walkway could be moved over 3 seats to correct the problem. Dr. Malcom will contact Heartland for the correction.

D. Sheriff Kleinberg was contacted regarding a School Resource Officer and will bring information to the board at the June or July meeting regarding the cost.

E. NRCSA and REL Central Project is designed for small rural schools and Dr. Malcom would like to attend a meeting in Kearney in July.

F. The distribution of Superintendent Evaluations will be sent electronically next week.

G. There was no need for Board of Education Committees to meet.

VII. Action Items

A. The stage light bidders will be contacted and asked to rebid due to a miscommunication regarding the vendor product.

Motion was made by Murphy and seconded by Tremayne to go into closed session at 10:16 p.m. to negotiate the wages for non-certified staff members for 2014/2015 school year for the protection of the public's interest.

Voting for: Tighe, Tremayne, Reis, Brand, Launsby, and Murphy
The motion carried 6-0.

C. Motion was made by Tremayne and seconded by Murphy to approve the non-certified wages for 2014/2015 at a \$.40 increase. On roll call vote, the board voted as follows:

Voting for: Tremayne, Reis, Launsby, Murphy, and Tighe
Abstain: Brand
The motion carried 5-0.

Motion was made by Murphy and seconded by Reis to approve the Head Cook and Head Custodian wages for 2014/2015 at a 2.5% increase. On roll call vote, the board voted as follows:

Voting for: Reis, Brand, Launsby, Murphy, Tighe and Tremayne
The motion carried 6-0.

Motion was made by Reis and seconded by Brand to approve the Business Manager wages for 2014/2015 at \$40,000.00. On roll call vote, the board voted as follows:

Voting for: Reis, Tremayne, Tighe, Murphy, Launsby, and Brand
The motion carried 6-0.

Motion was made by Brand and seconded by Tremayne to approve the Tech-Lan Manager wages for 2014/2015 at a 4% increase. On roll call vote, the board voted as follows:

Voting for: Tremayne, Tighe, Murphy, Launsby, Brand and Reis
The motion carried 6-0.

Motion was made by Murphy and seconded by Reis to approve that non-certified employees be paid \$40 for any unused personal days beginning with the 2014/2015 school year. On roll call vote, the board voted as follows:

Voting for: Tighe, Murphy, Launsby, Brand, Reis and Tremayne
The motion carried 6-0.

D. No need to approve resignations.

E. Motion was made by Reis and seconded by Brand to hire Courtney Addison as Elementary teacher. On roll call vote, the board voted as follows:

Voting for: Murphy, Launsby, Brand, Reis, Tremayne and Tighe
The motion carried 6-0.

VII. Time/Date of next meeting

The next board meeting is set for Monday, June 9, 2014 at 8:00 p.m.

IX. Motion to Adjourn

Motion was made by Reis and seconded by Tremayne to adjourn the meeting at 10:58 p.m. on May 12, 2014.

Voting for: Launsby, Brand, Reis, Tremayne, Tighe, and Murphy
The motion carried 6-0.
The meeting was duly adjourned.

Dated this 12th day of May, 2014.

ATTEST:
Darrin Brand
Secretary

Dakota County School District #31R
a/k/a Homer Community School
BY: Paul Tighe, President