

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
HOMER COMMUNITY SCHOOL
August 13, 2018

A meeting of the Board of Education of Homer Community School was convened in open and public session on Monday, August 13, 2017 at 8:00 p.m. in the Library at the Homer Community School, Homer, Nebraska. The following board members were present or absent:

Present: Tim Murphy, Tyler Kirkholm, Paul Tighe, Carrie Vanschoiack, Byron Hall

Absent: Aaron Reis

Administration present: Superintendent Gregg Cruickshank, Principal Lora Crowe & Board Secretary Trish Rohde

Visitors present: One

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 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 Chairperson 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 except Reis.

Motion was made by Murphy and seconded by Kirkholm to excuse member Reis from the board meeting. On roll call, the board voted as follows:

Voting for: Hall, Vanschoiack, Murphy, Tighe, Kirkholm

The motion carried 5-0.

III. Approval of Agenda and Changes to Agenda

Superintendent Cruickshank asked to add item 7B to Action items and removed Committee Assignment review from Discussion items.

Motion was made by Vanschoiack and seconded by Kirkholm to approve the agenda as amended. On roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Voting for: Vanschoiack, Murphy, Tighe, Kirkholm, Hall

The motion carried 5-0.

IV. Consent Agenda

1. Approve the Minutes of the July 9th regular meeting.

2. Approve claims and accounts and payroll expense from General Fund.

Motion was made by Kirkholm and seconded by Vanschoiack to approve all Consent Agenda items. On roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Voting for: Murphy, Tighe, Kirkholm, Hall, Vanschoiack

The motion carried 5-0.

V. Communications

Administration Reports:

Principal Crowe reported that 19 students attended our Jump Start Program with 4/6 classes improved in reading tests and 6/6 classes improved in math testing. We have two migrant students from Thailand this year, one in kindergarten and one is a senior. New teacher/mentor in service was on August 8th and went well. Staff meetings were held on August 13th and DHS presented on reporting neglected children. August 14th staff development day will be devoted to technology training on software and August 15th will be leadership meetings and classroom preparation.

Superintendent Cruickshank provided the board with the August 2018 NASB update on the Area Meeting that will be held in October. The enrollment numbers will be provided next week after school is in session.

Public Comment: None

VI. Discussion

A. Facility and grounds update: The foundation has been poured for the storage facility and construction will begin in two or three weeks. The electricity to the building is being worked on. The track resurfacing will be completed on Monday. The HVAC installation and parking lot maintenance are complete. The practice field sprinklers are installed and working well. The high school business room has been split into two classrooms.

B. The District Goals for 2017-2018 were presented to the board and they discussed the revision of the goals. Superintendent Cruickshank will send the board the revision to review. The adoption of goals for 2018-2019 will be on the September agenda.

C. The transfer of revenue from General Fund to the Depreciation Fund was discussed and compared to last year's numbers.

D. The board discussed when to have the budget work session/special meeting, budget hearing, and tax levy rate hearing. The hearing will be on August 22nd at 8:15 p.m.

VII. Action Items

A. Motion was made by Vanschoiack and seconded by Kirkholm to approve the following board policies: 402.09, 404.06, 503.08, 504.18, 505.03, 603.01, 504.12, 1005.12. On roll call vote, the board voted as follows:

Voting for: Tighe, Kirkholm, Hall, Vanschoiack, Murphy

The motion carried 5-0.

B. Motion was made by Kirkholm and seconded by Murphy to approve the resolution to adopt a 457 Deferred Compensation Plan. On roll call vote, the board voted as follows:

Voting for: Kirkholm, Hall, Vanschoiack, Murphy, Tighe

The motion carried 5-0.

VIII. Celebrations

Kudos to Bill, Ruby & Jake for all their hard work this summer preparing/painting classrooms for the first day of school! It was a very positive first day today.

IX. Time/Date of next meeting

The next meetings will be on Wednesday, August 22nd Budget Work Session at 8:15 p.m. and the Budget Hearing, Tax Levy and regular board meeting will be on Monday, September 10, 2018 beginning at 8:00 p.m.

VIII. Motion to Adjourn

Motion was made by Vanschoiack and seconded by Kirkholm to adjourn the meeting at 9:34 p.m. on August 13, 2018. On roll call vote, the board voted as follows:

Voting for: Hall, Vanschoiack, Murphy, Tighe, Kirkholm

The motion carried 5-0.

The meeting was duly adjourned.

Dated this 13th day of August 2018.

ATTEST:
Carrie Vanschoiack
Secretary

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