

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF EDUCATION
HOMER COMMUNITY SCHOOL
July 10, 2019

A meeting of the Board of Education of Homer Community School was convened in open and public session on Wednesday, July 10, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in the Library at the Homer Community School, Homer, Nebraska. The following board members were present or absent:

Present: Aaron Reis, Byron Hall, Kristina Nelsen, Tyler Kirkholm & Paul Tighe

Absent: Carrie Vanschoiack

Administration present: Superintendent Gregg Cruickshank, Principal Seth Lembke and Board Secretary Trish Rohde

Visitors present: None

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 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 Vanschoiack.

Motion was made by Reis and seconded by Nelsen to excuse Member Vanschoiack from the meeting. On roll call vote, the board voted as follows:

Voting for: Hall, Nelsen, Tighe, Kirkholm, Reis

The motion carried 5-0.

III. Approval of Agenda and Changes to Agenda

Superintendent Cruickshank added Discussion item B to the agenda.

Motion was made by Nelsen and seconded by Reis to approve the agenda as amended.

On roll call vote, the board voted as follows:

Voting for: Nelsen, Tighe, Kirkholm, Reis, Hall

The motion carried 5-0.

Motion was made by Reis seconded by Kirkholm to approve the consent agenda as presented. On roll call vote, the Board voted as follows:

Voting for: Tighe, Kirkholm, Reis, Hall, Nelsen

The motion carried 5-0.

IV. Communications

a. Administrator reports:

Superintendent Cruickshank welcomed Mr. Lemke and his family to Homer. Mr. Cruickshank reported to the board regarding the ACLU record request communication from Justin Knight, gave the board information regarding the NASB regional meetings at Fremont or Norfolk, if anyone would like to attend Mr. Cruickshank will attend also. The Rural School

Association membership was shared with the board and Mr. Horner will address the board regarding school safety at either the August or September board meeting. Mr. Lembke and Mr. Cruickshank will be working on the back to school activities.

b. There was no public comment.

V. Discussion Items

- A. Building and Grounds: The Black Hills Energy would like to place a District Regulator Station on school property. They will pay the school \$2,000 to place the DRS on school property. The board requested for Superintendent Cruickshank to contact Mr. Camp with their proposal for location and cost paid to the school. The gym floors have been resurfaced this week, Mrs. Morgan's room is completed, VAV box will be installed, cabinets will be hung in Ms. Schiltz and Mrs. Caskey's rooms, parking lot maintenance and striping, cages for football equipment will be installed and 2 heat pumps will be installed. The board toured the school to see the repurposed classrooms. The trees by the front entrance need to be removed and pricing for vinyl wrap on the vehicles with school logos will be obtained.
- B. Sports Cooperative: Our Athletic Director, Dan Schmitt, has declared a new activity to the NSAA to participate in cross country. The sports cooperative with SSC did not go through for this year so other options are being addressed. Mr. Cruickshank will see what interest students have in cross country.
- C. Policy: The policy revisions and new policies were distributed and discussed with the board. They will be approved at the August meeting.
- D. Handbooks: There are no policy or procedure changes to the staff handbook for 2019-20.
- E. Substitute teacher pay for Homer and area districts was reviewed. Trish will let the board know how many days a sub is needed.
- F. The 2017-18 annual board self-reflection was shared by email and the blank document to be filled out for 2018-19. The document will need to be returned to Trish by August 1st and will be discussed at the August meeting.

VI. Action Items

- A. Motion was made by Reis and seconded by Nelsen to increase transportation fees for non-resident students by 3% for 2019-20. On roll call vote, the board voted as follows:
Voting for: Nelsen, Tighe, Kirkholm, Reis, Hall
The motion carried 5-0.
The district's contract with Durham Transportation stipulates a 3% increase for 2019-20.
- B. Motion was made by Reis and seconded by Kirkholm to authorize the superintendent to apply for all state and federal funding, including Title 1. On roll call vote, the board voted as follows:
Voting for: Tighe, Kirkholm, Reis, Hall, Nelsen
The motion carried 5-0.

VII. Closed Session

Motion was made by Kirkholm and seconded by Reis to go into closed session at 8:55 p.m. to protect the reputation of an individual. On roll call vote, the board voted as follows:

Voting for: Kirkholm, Reis, Hall, Nelsen, Tighe

The motion carried 5-0.

The board convened to regular session at 9:13 p.m.

Motion was made by Reis and seconded by Nelsen to go into regular session. On roll call vote, the board voted as follows:

Voting for: Reis, Hall, Nelsen, Tighe, Kirkholm

The motion carried 5-0.

VIII. Celebrations

It is great having Seth Lembke has the high school principal.

IX. Time/Date of next meeting

The next regular board meeting is set for August 12, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

X. Motion to Adjourn

Motion was made by Reis and seconded by Nelsen to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 p.m. on July 10, 2019. On roll call vote the board voted as follows:

Voting for: Hall, Nelsen, Tighe, Kirkholm, Reis

The motion carried 5-0.

The meeting was duly adjourned.

Dated this 10th day of July, 2019.

ATTEST:
Kristina Nelsen
Secretary

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