

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
HOMER COMMUNITY SCHOOL  
October 8, 2018

A meeting of the Board of Education of Homer Community School was convened in open and public session on Monday, October 8, 2018 at 8:00 p.m. in the Library at the Homer Community School, Homer, Nebraska. The following board members were present or absent:

Present: Byron Hall, Paul Tighe, Tim Murphy, Aaron Reis and Tyler Kirkholm

Absent: Carrie Vanschoiack

Administration present: Superintendent Gregg Cruickshank, Principal Lora Crowe & 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 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 Murphy and seconded by Reis to excuse Member Vanschoiack from the meeting. On roll call vote, the board voted as follows:

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

The motion carried 5-0.

III. Approval of Agenda and Changes to Agenda

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

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

The motion carried 5-0.

IV. Consent Agenda

1. Approve the Minutes of the September 10th special meetings and regular meeting.

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

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

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

The motion carried 5-0.

V. Audiences

Senior Class Officers were present to visit with the board regarding the Senior Trip. They would like to use 2 school vans for the trip and stay an extra night. The only cost to the school would be the usage of the vans and they would not miss any extra school days. They plan to do White Water Rafting and a Zip line and all money needed for this will be fundraised. The board was ok with the trip.

KPG Architects representative were present to discuss space repurposing for the school building. They toured the school and will present options to the board on repurposing our current space. There is no charge to the school unless an option is selected. They will look at our shop area and the front entrance to the school for safety.

VI. Communications

Public comment: None

Principal Crowe reported that 2 more students have qualified for EL services which makes a total of 3 students receiving services. A new program, MTSS, will be implemented to assist with student achievement. The goal is to have 80% of students in each class, in reading and math, be at the 50% tile to be proficient. The P-T Conferences had a 95% turn out rate and 25 Knight's Way awards were given at the Pride Assembly.

Superintendent/Principal Cruickshank gave the board a printout of NASB meeting dates and times. The High School had 60% attendance for P-T Conference, so they may look at scheduling appointments for Jr. High Students. APL training on the 20<sup>th</sup> was a good refresher for teachers. The current enrollment is at 387. The 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher is now up to 27 students, but she said things are going good. The negotiation team will meet on November 9<sup>th</sup>.

Celebrations: Homecoming was fabulous with lots of opportunities for elementary students to be involved in the festivities. Thanks to everyone involved, Homecoming was a huge success.

VII. Discussion

District/Board Goals and Priorities were reviewed and revised and will be discussed again at next month's meeting. The board discussed doing a cook out during P-T Conferences with board members serving the food.

Building and Grounds: The jump runways are completed, and grass has been seeded. The storage facility is done, and bids will be taken on the electrical work, Mr. Chase will have students work on the interior walls and the Fire Marshal needs to inspect the building.

The current Administration Configuration is going well as lots of people are stepping up and doing things. This will be on the agenda for more discussion next month.

VIII. Action Items

A. District Goals has been moved to next month.

IX. Time/Date of next meeting

The next board meeting is set for Monday, November 12, 2018 at 8:00 p.m.

X. Motion to Adjourn

Motion was made by Murphy and seconded by Reis to adjourn the meeting at 9:37 p.m. on October 8, 2018. On roll call vote, the board voted as follows:

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

The motion carried 5-0.

The meeting was duly adjourned.

Dated this 8th day of October 2018.

ATTEST:  
Trish Rohde  
Secretary

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