

Regular Meeting Minutes

School District #39

July 18, 2011

The Wahoo Board of Education met in regular session on Monday evening, July 18, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Media Center located at 2201 N. Locust, Wahoo, Nebraska. Publicized notice was given by publication in the Wahoo Newspaper on July 13, 2011.

The meeting was called to order by President Rob Brigham with the following board members answering roll call: Rob Brigham, John Sutton, Eric Gottschalk, Brett Eddie, Steve Vrana and Mary Ann Tingelhoff. Also present were Superintendent, Galen Boldt; Middle School Principal Chris Arent; High School Principal Jason Libal; and the Newspaper Reporter.

It was moved by Tingelhoff, seconded by Vrana to approve the agenda. On roll call vote all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Vrana seconded by Gottschalk to approve the June meeting minutes and July claims as presented excluding the bill for Eddie Lawn Service. On roll call vote all members present voted yes. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Tingelhoff seconded by Sutton to approve the Eddie Lawn Service bill. On roll call vote Tingelhoff, yes; Brigham, yes; Sutton, yes; Gottschalk, yes; Eddie, abstain and Vrana yes. Motion carried.

The board reviewed the account funds and balances related to the routine business of the school district pertaining to the accounts the district controls.

The Board went over the communications items in the packet.

Regarding Action Item A, Facilities Projects/Report, Superintendent Boldt presented change orders as recommended by architects for the project. A motion was made by Tingelhoff seconded by Sutton to approve the change orders as presented. On roll call vote all members present voted yes. Motion carried. Superintendent Boldt will remain in contact with architects and contractors regarding owner vs. architect responsibility for costs associated with the change orders. It was moved by Sutton, seconded by Eddie to approve the application for payment as presented from MCL for \$177,844.75. On Roll Call vote all members present voted yes.

A bill from DLR was presented for \$6,789.93 for services provided in the billing period June 01 to June 30. Superintendent Boldt indicated that he had not received payment for agreed upon architect responsibility for costs associated with past change orders and recommended that the bill be tabled until the August meeting. He will be in contact with DLR to discuss finalization of bills for services as well as reimbursement for agreed upon change order costs assigned to architect responsibility.

Superintendent Boldt reported that hail had damaged the newly installed awning on the Learning Center Project as well as some A/C Condensers on the roof of the high school building. He will stay in contact with the insurance adjusters to recover cost associated with the damage. The steel panels on the Learning Center Project will be replaced.

Discussion was held regarding replacing the grass seeding outlined in the Learning Center Project with sod. Superintendent Boldt will provide more information regarding the associated increase in costs and place the item on the August agenda for recommendation.

The Facilities Usage Policy was presented on second reading with additional language that outlined the fee structure for use as per day, clarifying the difference of per event. Additional Language was included in the policy and regulation specifying that no school facilities would be used for funerals, yet allowing for "Celebration of Life" events planned in conjunction with the school's Crisis Team in the event that anticipated attendance could not be held in local churches. A motion was made by Gottschalk seconded by Sutton to approve the Policy and Regulation on second Reading. After considerable discussion, on Roll Call vote: Gottschalk, yes; Eddie, no; Vrana, yes; Tingelhoff, yes; Brigham, yes; Sutton, yes. Motion carried.

Superintendent Boldt presented the recommendation of the Board Negotiations Committee to ratify an agreement reached with the WEA Negotiations team that included an increase in Base Salary from \$29,500 to \$32,200 while freezing all teachers on their current salary schedule step. Teachers that will complete graduate school credit will be given horizontal movement on the schedule. It was also recommended to add positions to the extra duty assignments to include Skills USA Advisor, Head Baseball coach, Asst. Baseball coach, and Middle School Science Club Advisor. In addition the \$600 stipend at the bottom of the salary schedule will be eliminated, and Superintendent Boldt will set up a committee of teachers and principals to plan for spending the savings realized from the insurance premium holiday for student/staff benefits. The total package increase for the 2011-12 school year will be 2.76%. A motion was made by Gottschalk seconded by Vrana to approve the recommendation as presented. On roll call all members present voted yes.

At 8:05 pm a motion was made by Sutton seconded by Tingelhoff to go into executive session to discuss administrative salaries. On roll call all members present voted yes.

At 8:25 pm a motion was made by Sutton seconded by Gottschalk to come out of executive session. On roll call all members present voted yes. A motion was made by Vrana seconded by Sutton to approve administrative salaries as recommended resulting in an increase of 0.9% in spending from the past year. On roll call vote: Vrana, yes; Tingelhoff, yes; Brigham, yes; Sutton, yes; Gottschalk, yes; Eddie, no. Motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding the possibility of recording the School Board Meetings digitally and then placing the recorded proceedings on the school website. Superintendent Boldt will look into the required actions necessary to accommodate such a plan.

The following requests were made for the August meeting:

- A. Facilities Project Status Report
- B. Personnel – Resignations/hiring

A motion was made by Sutton, seconded by Vrana to adjourn. All members present voted yes. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

The next regular board meeting will be held on Monday, August 15, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Media Center located at 2201 N. Locust, Wahoo, Nebraska.