

Louisville Public School  
Board Meeting  
November 10, 2014

President Rhonda Sparks called the regular Board meeting to order at 7:00 PM. All members present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Notice of the meeting and where the agenda was made available for public inspection was posted, per Board Policy, and had been mailed to all Board members, and posted in EverNote, mid-week to the meeting. The Open Meeting Act information was posted as required.

Correspondence: None

Board member Mason made a motion to approve the following consent agenda: a.) minutes from October 1, 13, 22, and 29th; b.) the treasurer's report; c.) the general, building, lunch, reimbursement and activity fund bills; seconded by Sjogren. Motion carried 6-0.

#### **General Fund November Bills**

ACT-PLAN test	\$205.00
Airgas USA, LLC-IT supplies	\$35.35
Amazon.com-books/popcorn popper	\$1,260.96
Buck, Trent-CDL/bus license	\$70.00
Canon Solutions America-copier maintenance	\$826.46
Carl Jarl-lock work/keys	\$777.75
City of Louisville-water	\$1,229.39
Cole, Jennifer-reimb FACS supplies	\$14.88
Community Memorial Hospital-bus physical	\$195.00
Continuum Retail Energy Services, LLC-building fuel	\$67.83
Copple-bus 8, 7, 2	\$645.48
Culligan-cooler rental/water/Salt	\$397.25
ESU #3-coop	\$17,560.35
Follett-Destiny library manager	\$1,649.00
Hagge, Tim-reimb science materials	\$55.28
Hampton Inn Kearney-XC rooms at state	\$447.00
Harris School Solutions-annual support	\$3,497.51
Hayes Mechanical-auto shop heat pump	\$6,875.00
Heartland AquaTech-test and service	\$162.50
Hillyard-maint supplies	\$309.91
Houfek, Dennis-reimb supplies	\$34.76
Inland Truck Parts & Service-bus 5 repair	\$80.96
John's Appliance-cold pan 2 door cooler	\$299.90
Jeff's Jack and Jill-Preschool/elem office/FACS	\$929.41
Katz Construction Company-roof repairs	\$1,500.00
Kids on the Move-PT/OT	\$3,705.75
Lou's Sporting Goods-MS FB/shoulder pads/pants	\$1,352.00
Matheson Tri-Gas-argon	\$330.22
Meeske Ace Hardware-maint supplies	\$245.63
Meyer Laboratory, Inc-hand cleaner/latex gloves/TP/wastebaskets/PT	\$1,865.77
Mill Creek Auto-maint parts	\$271.92
Moore, Matt-reimb workshop expenses	\$65.16
Nebraska Council of School Admin-Matt Moore Fall Ed Tech Conference	\$125.00
Nebraska Association of School Boards-G. Shepard Conference registration	\$207.00
Nebraska Safety Center-pupil transportation course	\$150.00
OPPD-electricity	\$12,558.59
One Source Background Checks-background check	\$40.00
Paintin Place Ceramics-clay	\$287.50
Pankonin's Inc.- mower oil	\$20.48

Papillion Sanitation-monthly service	\$300.00
Paxton Patterson-welding positioner	\$628.00
Perry, Guthery, Haase & Gessford-legal fees	\$2,228.00
Petty Cash-postage/misc	\$232.58
Plattsmouth Journal-affidavit of printer	\$669.15
PrestoX-service	\$50.18
Quill Corp-coffee/toner/office supplies/chair	\$1,140.77
Sam's Club MC/Syncb-Tech conference/scripts/dvd	\$424.02
Schmitt Music-band expenditures/repairs	\$704.18
Scholastic-Klein/Reeves	\$353.69
School Board Support Services-Array Program	\$1,800.00
SignIT Omaha-visitor signs	\$292.00
Taylor Oil-fuel	\$1,874.22
TurfCare-fall fertilization	\$466.00
UNL Math Day-registration	\$56.00
United Seeds-grass seed	\$277.50
Unite Private Networks, LLC-WAN Lease	\$991.96
Virco-white boards	\$1,500.00
WageWorks-FSA monthly admin fee	\$148.50
<b>Total General Fund Bills</b>	<b>\$74,488.70</b>
<b>Building Fund Bills</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
Midwest Sound & Lighting-big screen and projector	\$12,848.00
<b>Total Building Fund Bills</b>	<b>\$12,848.00</b>
<b>Reimbursement Bills</b>	
<b>Total Reimbursement Bills</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

The activity bills were submitted in writing in the board packets.

President Sparks asked if there is motion for the board to enter closed session to discuss the Open Meeting Act Complaint to the Attorney General, which is in the school district and the public's interest to discuss in closed session.

Member Laughlin: So moved.

Member Derby: Second.

Roll Call Vote at 7:01 PM: Sjogren-yes; Derby-yes; Laughlin-yes; Mason-yes; Minchow-yes; Sparks-yes. Members voting no: None. Motion carried 6-0.

President Sparks: The board has adopted a motion to enter closed session to discuss the Open Meeting Act Complaint to the Attorney General, which is in the school district and the public's interest to discuss in closed session. The board will limit its discussion to this issue.

Board member Laughlin made a motion to exit executive session at 8:14 PM; seconded by Sjogren. Roll Call Vote: Sjogren-yes; Derby-yes; Laughlin-yes; Mason-yes; Minchow-yes; Sparks-yes. Members voting no: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Public Comments: Josh Dethlefsen, attorney with Mattson Ricketts, representing Jim Group, addressed the board with the following concerns regarding the Superintendent Search process. First concern is the open meetings issue: use of closed session; concerns of no transparency in the search process; anonymity of the applicants after the field was narrowed to four on October 22, 2014. Mr. Dethlefsen requested that the board release the names of the candidates as soon as possible and that the Superintendent search be postponed until the newly elected board, which would be working with the new Superintendent, is seated in January.

Kim Roecker presented the question she asked at the November 9<sup>th</sup> Special Meeting as to whether or not the board would require/perform a credit check, as well as background checks on the candidates for Superintendent. Other questions presented to the board: A. Asked if the board would please provide clarification in regards to the financial impact of the changes based on the October 13 motion and approval of Action Item IV-D to approve corrected side letter vacation days and unused sick days to clarify for 2014-2015: 1) how does this motion impact the legal assistance which resulted in special board meeting discussion of "new" contract language for the administrative contracts in late June, all of which were motioned and approved during July 7 general board meeting Action Items A and B were approved. 2) Based on the fact the administrators have received raises and bonuses, would you explain the purpose of the contract changes along with the side letters? What was the monetary impact of these changes to district funds? B. Does the Board still have plans regarding a work session to discuss data and scores? Board President Sparks responded that a new meeting/work session has not been set.

Sara Muntz stated that at the November 9<sup>th</sup> work session it was stated that the Board had not gotten hold of the four candidates. Had they been able to get hold of them yet? Board President Sparks responded that they had all been contacted and the names would be released in the Board Communication section of the meeting.

No further questions.

Curriculum Coordinator, Shureen Seery, presented her report to the board. Items reported on: Assessment/Reporting/Curriculum Items and Staff Development.

Elementary Principal Holl presented the following items to the board: Parent /Teacher Conference data; tardy information; K-1<sup>st</sup> grade Family Math Night. He attended the Tri-State SpEd Conference in Omaha.

.MS HS Principal Schwartz was excused from the meeting to supervise the ECNC Vocal Music Clinic and Concert that was being held in the school. He presented his report to the board in writing. Topics included: Tardy information/Parent Teacher Conferences; important dates/information; evaluations

Superintendent Shepard presented his report. Items reported on: Congratulations to the One Act Play Troupe for their first place win in Conference competition on Saturday, the 8<sup>th</sup>. Welcome to the new board members Kara Habrock, Amy Kerans, and Cindy Osterloh. All three are attending the Education Conference this month and have signed up for mentors with NASB. Community breakfast and Veteran's Day Program will be held in the high school gym on November 11, Dana Cole Auditors have completed the yearly audit of the school accounts and a copy was provided to each board member; he updated the board on building and grounds items.

**Board member communication:** The Louisville school board would like to Announce the Superintendent candidates who have advanced to the interview process:

**Cory Holl:** Louisville Elementary Principal and Special Ed. Director 2006 to present

**Troy Juracek:** Papillion-LaVista Elementary Principal 2006 to Present

**Andy Farber:** Arlington 7-12 Principal, Special Education Director, Curriculum Director 2009 to Present

**Michael Williams:** Superintendent Maywood Public schools July 2011 to Present

Interviews will be conducted on Monday, November 17th and Tuesday, November 18th at 6:00 p.m. with a possibility of a second interview on Wednesday, November 19th, 6:30 p.m.

Action Item IV-A: Board member Derby made a motion to approve the teaching contract for Jeff Haun for the 2015-16 school year; seconded by Sjogren. Roll Call Vote: Sjogren-yes; Derby-yes; Laughlin-yes; Mason-yes; Minchow-yes; Sparks-yes. Members voting no: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Action Item IV-B: Board member Laughlin made a motion to approve the LEA as the exclusive bargaining agent for the 2016-2017 school year for those certified employees presently included within the negotiated agreement; seconded by Mason. Roll Call Vote: Sjogren-yes; Derby-yes; Laughlin-yes; Mason-yes; Minchow-yes; Sparks-yes. Members voting no: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Action Item IV-C: Board member Sjogren made a motion to approve the purchase of science text books in the amount of \$4,448.91; seconded by Derby. Roll Call Vote: Sjogren-yes; Derby-yes; Laughlin-yes; Mason-yes; Minchow-yes; Sparks-yes. Members voting no: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Action Item IV-D: Board member Sjogren made a motion to adopt the 2014 State of Nebraska Language Arts Standards; seconded by Derby. Roll Call Vote: Sjogren-yes; Derby-yes; Laughlin-yes; Mason-yes; Minchow-yes; Sparks-yes. Members voting no: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Action Item IV-E: Board member Minchow made a motion to accept the bid for 11 bus radios from Shaffer Communication, in the amount of \$4,001.80; seconded by Mason. Roll Call Vote: Sjogren-yes; Derby-yes; Laughlin-yes; Mason-yes; Minchow-yes; Sparks-yes. Members voting no: None. Motion carried 6-0.

Action Item IV-F: cancelled

Action Item IV-G: Vice President Mason informed the Board that the negotiations teams were meeting every Friday morning.

Future Board Calendar - Board of Education Meeting December 8, 2014, 7:00 PM

As there was no other business, Board member Sjogren made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Derby. Roll Call Vote: Sjogren-yes; Derby-yes; Laughlin-yes; Mason-yes; Minchow-yes; Sparks-yes. Members voting no: None. Motion carried 6-0.

President Sparks adjourned the meeting at 8:59 PM.

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President

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Secretary