

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
DUNDY COUNTY STRATTON PUBLIC SCHOOL
BENKELMAN NE 69021**

The Dundy County Stratton Board of Education met in regular session on June 10, 2013 at the Stratton Elementary School. The following members were present: Amy Haines, Craig Kerchal, Mike Lutz, John Metzger, Sandy Noffsinger, and Shad Stamm. Also present were Superintendent Jim Kent and recording secretary JoAnn Decker. Visitor was Lisa Fox. Board Members Mike Blecha, Steve Krug and Kent Lorens arrived late.

President Stamm called the meeting to order at 7:02 P.M. C.T.

President Stamm stated that the board follows the Open Meetings Act Guidelines which are located in the meeting room. The Board of Education may enter closed session during the meeting when it determines that doing so is appropriate and is to protect the public interest and is authorized by the provisions of the Open Meeting Act.

Board member Lorens arrived at 7:04 P.M. C.T.

Motion by Noffsinger seconded by Kerchal to verify that notice of the meeting was given by publication in the Benkelman Post, a legal newspaper for Dundy County Stratton Schools, and by written notice to each member of the Board, the designated method of giving notice. Yes: Haines, Kerchal, Lorens Lutz, Metzger, Noffsinger, and Stamm. No: None. Absent: Blecha and Krug. Motion carried.

Motion by Lutz seconded by Lorens to approve the agenda of the June 10, 2013 regular meeting. Yes: Haines, Kerchal, Lorens, Lutz, Metzger, Noffsinger, and Stamm. No: None. Absent: Krug and Blecha. Motion carried.

Motion by Lorens seconded by Haines to approve the minutes of the May 13, 2013 regular meeting. Yes: Kerchal, Lorens, Lutz, Metzger, Noffsinger, Stamm, and Haines. No: None. Absent: Krug and Blecha. Motion carried.

Board member Blecha arrived at 7:08 P.M. C.T.

Motion to by Lutz seconded by Metzger to excuse Craig Kerchal from the May 13, 2013 regular meeting. Yes: Lorens, Lutz, Metzger, Noffsinger, Stamm, Blecha, Haines, and Kerchal. No: None. Absent: Krug. Motion carried.

There were no public items of discussion.

Motion by Metzger seconded by Haines to approve the administrative and financial reports and payment of bills. Yes: Lorens, Lutz, Metzger, Noffsinger, Stamm, Blecha, Haines, and Kerchal. No: None. Absent: Krug. Motion carried.

Lisa Fox presented the District Technology Report. She reported on wireless network upgrades; file server changes; air fiber radios; fiber cable to the Stratton Elementary building; technology monthly hours; and computer and technology equipment cleaning. Superintendent Kent presented the high school principal report. He congratulated State Track coaches and participants for qualifying and their fine performances while there. He reported on practice start dates; additional activity assignments; DCS honors convocation and talent show; summer weight program; and Marzano training. Superintendent Kent reported on transportation and bus routes; Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund Bond; school finance bill; budget planning for 2013-2014; policy review; policy hearing

requirements; annual report to patrons regarding academic performance; and IEP determination.

During Board items of discussion Superintendent Kent discussed the School Law Update he attended. The Board also discussed the upcoming workshops for Open Meetings Law, School Finance Webinar; budget workshop, and NRCSA/GNSA/NASBO school finance study committee review group.

Motion by Kerchal seconded by Metzger to contact a surveyor in order to divide the Haigler property into a 7 lot formula as discussed. Yes: Lutz, Metzger, Noffsinger, Stamm, Blecha, Haines, Kerchal, and Lutz. No: None. Absent: Krug. Motion carried.

Motion by Metzger seconded by Noffsinger to enter into a contract with Don Kracke as Real Estate Agent for the sale of the building and property in Haigler. Yes: Metzger, Noffsinger, Stamm, Blecha, Kerchal, Lorens, and Lutz. No: None. Absent: Haines and Krug. Motion carried.

Board member Krug arrived at 7:20 P.M. C.T.

Motion by Blecha seconded by Lutz to postpone the surplus equipment auction until a later date. Yes: Noffsinger, Stamm, Blecha, Haines, Krug, Lorens, Lutz, and Metzger. No: Kerchal. Motion carried.

The board recessed at 8:30 P.M. C.T.

Board member Blecha left at 8:40 P.M. C.T.

The board reconvened at 8:41 P.M. C.T.

Motion by Metzger seconded by Lutz to approve the proposal from W Design for long term planning for our facilities. Yes: Stamm, Haines, Krug, Lorens, Lutz, Metzger, and Noffsinger. No: None. Absent: Blecha and Kerchal. Motion carried.

Motion by Krug seconded by Noffsinger to appoint Jim Kent, Superintendent, as representative agent for the administration of federal programs for Dundy County Stratton Public Schools for the 2013-2014 school year. Yes: Haines, Krug, Lorens, Lutz, Metzger, Noffsinger, and Stamm. No: None. Absent: Blecha and Kerchal. Motion carried.

Motion by Noffsinger seconded by Haines to accept the low bid from GovConnection for the purchase of 25 desktops for the High School computer lab and for 32 laptops for the Junior High as presented. Yes: Haines, Kerchal, Krug, Lorens, Lutz, Metzger, Noffsinger, and Stamm. No: None. Absent: Blecha. Motion carried.

The Board discussed the purchase of a route replacement vehicle. Superintendent Kent reported no developments on the bus accident lawsuit.

Motion by Metzger seconded by Noffsinger to approve the teaching contract for Allie Kenning for the 2013-2014 school year. Yes: Kerchal, Krug, Lorens, Lutz, Metzger, Noffsinger, Stamm, and Haines. No: None. Absent: Blecha. Motion carried.

Motion by Metzger seconded by Noffsinger to approve the teaching contract for Arthur Ben Killingsworth for the 2013-2014 school year and accept all applicable years of service and graduate hours. Yes: Krug, Lorens, Lutz, Metzger, Noffsinger, Stamm, Haines, and Kerchal. No: None. Absent: Blecha. Motion carried.

The Board discussed classified staff openings for 2013-2014. The Board also discussed the compass learning program.

Motion by Noffsinger seconded by Haines to purchase scoreboards for Benkelman Elementary from Varsity Scoreboards as presented. Yes: Lorens, Metzger, Noffsinger, Stamm, Haines, Kerchal, and Krug. No: Lutz. Absent: Blecha. Motion carried.

The Board discussed Policy Review/Update 5000 Series.

Motion by Metzger seconded by Kerchal to accept the proposal from Eugene V. Ulmer/Alvin P Alms & Company to conduct the Dundy County Stratton District #117 audit and to prepare the Annual Financial Report for the years ended 2013, 2014, and 2015. Yes: Lutz, Metzger, Noffsinger, Stamm, Haines, Kerchal, Krug, and Lorens. No: None. Absent: Blecha. Motion carried.

The board conducted the required second evaluation of the Superintendent.

Motion by Noffsinger seconded by Haines to approve the Superintendent evaluation. Yes: Metzger, Noffsinger, Stamm, Haines, Kerchal, Krug, Lorens, and Lutz. No: None. Absent: Blecha. Motion carried.

Motion by Krug seconded by Metzger to adjourn at 10:42 P.M. C.T. Yes: Noffsinger, Stamm, Haines, Kerchal, Krug, Lorens, Lutz, and Metzger. No: None. Absent: Blecha. Motion carried.

Sandy Noffsinger, Secretary