

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

The Dundy County Stratton Board of Education met in special session on December 22, 2015 at the Dundy County Stratton High School at 4:00 P.M. The following members were present: Brad Baney, Jason Frederick, Amy Haines, Kent Lorens, Mike Lutz, Kevin League, and Sandy Noffsinger. Mike Blecha arrived at 4:30 P.M.

President Stamm called the meeting to order at 4:04 P.M.

President Stamm stated that the board follows the Open Meetings Act Guidelines which are located in the meeting room. A. The Board of Education reserves the right to enter into Closed/Executive Session for 1) the protection of the public interest or 2) the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual, and the individual has not requested a public meeting. B. When making a motion to enter into Closed/Executive Session, the member making such a request should be as specific as possible keeping the previously listed stipulation in consideration. If the Board is in agreement, a motion may be to enter into Closed/Executive Session to 1) discuss a personnel matter or 2) for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of the individual, or 3) to discuss litigation and for the protection of the public interest. Action Concerning Matters Discussed in Executive Session will be acted upon in open session.

Motion by Kevin League to approve the agenda as presented. Second by Mike Lutz. Yes: Baney, Frederick, Haines, League, Lorens, Lutz, Noffsinger, and Stamm. Absent: Blecha. Motion carried.

President Stamm discussed the concern he and fellow board members had about the use of electronic devices during board meetings. He voiced his concern that during board meetings there should be no need for texting and asked everyone if they were in agreement that all phones should be pushed to the center of the table and not used during today's meeting. Board members agreed.

As the only item on the agenda was to conduct the superintendent evaluation a motion was made by Mike Lutz to enter into closed session at 4:07 P.M. to conduct the superintendent evaluation because it is in the school district's interest, to prevent needless injury to someone's reputation and the public's best interest to discuss this in closed session. Second by Brad Baney. Yes: Frederick, Haines, League, Lorens, Lutz, Noffsinger, Stamm, and Baney. Absent: Blecha. Motion carried.

President Stamm restated that the board has adopted a motion to enter closed session at 4:07 P.M. to conduct the superintendent evaluation because it is in the school district's best interest, to prevent needless injury to someone's reputation and the public's best interest to discuss this in closed session. President Stamm stated the board will limit its discussion to this issue. President Stamm declared the Board out of executive session at 8:42 P.M.


President Stamm declared closed session over at 5:54 P.M.

Motion by Mike Blecha to come back into open session at 5:55 P.M. Second by Kevin League. Yes: Haines, League, Lorens, Lutz, Noffsinger, Stamm, Baney, Blecha, and Frederick. Motion carried.

Motion by Mike Blecha to accept the evaluation and continued contract for Superintendent Jim Kent as presented. Second by Kevin League. Yes: League, Lorens, Lutz, Noffsinger, Stamm, Baney, and Blecha. No: Frederick and Haines. Motion carried.

Superintendent Kent joined the meeting at 5: 57 P.M. to review the evaluation with the DCH Board of Education.

Motion by Mike Blecha to adjourn at 6:23 P.M. Second by Kevin League. Yes: Lorens, Lutz, Noffsinger, Stamm, Baney, Blecha, Frederick, Haines, and League. Motion carried.


Sandy Noffsinger, Secretary