

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

**August 2015**

The Dundy County Stratton Board of Education met in regular session on August 10, 2015 at the Dundy County Stratton High School. The following members were present: Brad Baney, Jason Frederick, Amy Haines, Kevin League, Kent Lorens, Sandy Noffsinger, and Shad Stamm. Also present were Principal Mike Rotherham, Principal Adam Fette, Superintendent Jim Kent, and recording secretary JoAnn Decker. Board member Mike Lutz was absent. Board member Mike Blecha arrived late.

Vice President Lorens called the meeting to order at 6:02 P.M.

Vice-President Lorens 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. 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. B. If the Board is in agreement, a motion may be made 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. C. Action concerning matters discussed in executive session will be taken in open session.

Shad Stamm arrived at 6:03 P.M. and presided over the meeting.

There were no public items of discussion.

Motion by Frederick seconded by Baney to approve the Consent Agenda items. Consent Agenda items included 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 electronic notice to each member of the Board, the designated method of giving notice; approval of the agenda of the August 10, 2015 regular meeting; approval of minutes of the July 13, 2015 Parent Involvement in Education Policy hearing; approval of the July 13, 2015 Student Fees Policy hearing; approval of the July 13, 2015 In-service meeting; and approval of the July 13, 2015 regular meeting; excusing of board member Mike Lutz from the August 10, 2015 regular meeting; payment of bills; to appoint Superintendent Jim Kent as AHERA compliance officer for hazardous material for the Dundy County Stratton Schools for the 2015-2016 school year. Yes: Baney, Frederick, Haines, League, Lorens, Noffsinger, and Stamm. No: None. Absent: Blecha and Lutz.

Motion by League seconded by Lorens to approve the financial reports as presented. Yes: Frederick, Haines, League, Lorens, Noffsinger, Stamm, and Baney. No: None. Absent: Blecha and Lutz. Motion carried.

Mike Blecha arrived at 6:23 P.M.

Motion by Frederick and seconded by Noffsinger to approve the activity and extra duty assignments as presented. Yes: Frederick, Haines, League, Lorens, Noffsinger, Stamm, Baney, and Blecha. No: None. Absent: Lutz. Motion carried.

Motion by League seconded by Haines to approve the student handbooks for the 2015-2016 school year as presented. Yes: Haines, League, Lorens, Noffsinger, Stamm, Baney, Blecha, and Frederick. No: None. Absent: Lutz. Motion carried.

The board reviewed the 7-12 student class schedules for 2015-2016.

**Motion by Frederick seconded by League to approve the teacher handbooks for the 2015-2016 school year as presented. Yes: League, Lorens, Noffsinger, Stamm, Baney, Blecha, Frederick, and Haines. No: None. Absent: Lutz. Motion carried.**

**The board recessed at 7:02 P.M.**

**The board reconvened at 7:31 P.M.**

**Motion by Haines seconded by League to approve the procedures for the student laptop initiative for grades 9-12 as presented. Yes: Lorens, Noffsinger, Stamm, Baney, Blecha, Frederick, Haines, and League. No: None. Absent: Lutz. Motion carried.**

**Principal Rotherham discussed the Solution Tree's RTI (Response to Intervention) at Work workshop held in McCook that he and several staff members attended.**

**There were no District Technology or Elementary Principal reports.**

**Principal Fette reported on Administrator Days; new staff; and student registration. He also thanked Stacey Waters for all her hard work in explaining the registration process to both him and Lisa Fette.**

**The board discussed summer bus maintenance and the use of white vans for school travel.**

**Superintendent Kent reported on classified staff hiring; NRCSA meeting; TEEOSA meeting; NDE/Administrator Days; teacher in-service days on Friday; ESU 15/16 annual workshop; Benkelman Elementary HVAC project report; track project report; and AQuESST rating system.**

**Under board items of discussion the board discussed the NASB Quicks link; upcoming NASB Area Meeting; State Education Conference; the NASB Labor Relations Conference, and the finance and budget committee meeting. He also congratulated the following board members for their NASB awards: Brad Baney and Jason Frederick Level I, Amy Haines and Mike Lutz Level III, Kent Lorens Level IV, and Sandy Noffsinger Level V.**

**The board discussed the 2015-2016 budget.**

**Motion by Blecha seconded by Lorens to adjourn at 9:58 P.M. Yes: Noffsinger, Stamm, Baney, Blecha, Frederick, Haines, League, and Lorens. No: None. Absent: Lutz. Motion carried.**

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**Sandy Noffsinger, Secretary**