

A meeting of the Board of Education of Conestoga Public School in the County of Cass, in the State of Nebraska, was convened in open and public session at, 5:00 PM Tuesday, July 9, 2024 located at the Elementary Library, 104 E. High St., Murray, NE 68409.

Notice of the meeting, agenda and the subjects to be discussed at this meeting were given in advance to all members of the Board of Education and thereof by posting at the Elementary and High School offices and Statute 84-1407 to 84-1414 requires that the Open Meetings Act be posted in the meeting room. President Welch informed the board and the public that the Open Meetings Act is located in the meeting room.

Opening Procedures

Pledge of Allegiance

Statement of Open Meetings Law

Roll Call. Ahrens: Present, Kelley: Present, Page: Absent, Priefert: Present, Stone: Present, Welch: Present.

Comments from the Audience

Presentations - School Visitations Report

Report provided regarding school visitations. The design team took written feedback about likes and dislikes to review.

Consent Agenda

The Consent Agenda consists of approval of the agenda for this meeting, approval of the minutes from the June 2023 regular board meeting, approval of claims for the General Fund in the amount of \$378,870.98, Payroll in the amount of \$548,839.49 (including all NPERS & taxes), Depreciation Fund in the amount of \$30,261.37, Lunch Fund in the amount of \$1,212.78, Special Building Fund in the amount of \$21,290.96. Board member Priefert made a motion Consent Agenda, seconded by Kelley. Members voting aye:

Ahrens: Yea, Kelley: Yea, Priefert: Yea, Stone: Yea, Welch: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0 Motion Carried

Minutes/Claims

Discussion Items

Admin Reports

Jr/Sr High Principal, Rob Geise

Provided an overview of summer meetings with different groups and upcoming dates for students and parents. Another thank you to Mr. Wills and Ms. Stieren.

Activities Director, Molly Stieren

Absent, report submitted.

Elementary Principal, Eric Dennis

Several meetings were attended and held with different teams for updates. Major

revisions were done to the handbooks to align as a district and with current policy.

Director of Student Services, Nick Krause

Absent, report submitted.

Director of Curriculum, Assessment and Instruction, Lisa Bergmeyer

Absent, report submitted.

Superintendent Report

Superintendent, Michael Apple

Progress update provided regarding the Jr/Sr High school. Grids are being installed, while electrical and HVAC continues. Discussions are being had to maintain our scheduled start date and they will continue. The Elementary has some trim work to do and a couple of shades to put in to complete the windows project. New teachers are coming on August 5th and though it will be a rush, we are staying optimistic.

Action Items

Discuss, consider, and take all necessary action to approve Policy 2006 Complaint Procedure.

Mr. Apple stated, "this policy has to do with Title IX additions and changes are required to match and follow Federal Law." Board member Ahrens made a motion to approve required changes to policy 2006 Complaint Procedure., seconded by Stone.

Members voting aye:

Ahrens: Yea, Kelley: Yea, Priefert: Yea, Stone: Yea, Welch: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0 Motion Carried

Discuss, consider, and take all necessary action to approve Policy 4011 Employee Leave Under the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA).

Mr. Apple stated, "the main change is the notice to employees and is required to follow Federal Law." Board member Ahrens made a motion to approve required changes to policy 4011 Employee Leave Under the Family and Medical Leave Act (FMLA)., seconded by Priefert.

Members voting aye:

Ahrens: Yea, Kelley: Yea, Priefert: Yea, Stone: Yea, Welch: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0 Motion Carried

Discuss, consider, and take all necessary action to approve Policy 3032 Fees for District Records.

Mr. Apple stated, "this applies to costs from vendors from out of state." Board member Kelley made a motion to approve required changes to policy 3032 Fees for District Records., seconded by Ahrens.

Members voting aye:

Ahrens: Yea, Kelley: Yea, Priefert: Yea, Stone: Yea, Welch: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0 Motion Carried

Discuss, consider, and take all necessary action to approve amended Policy 5004 Option Enrollment.

Mr. Apple stated, "this policy was amended to show option numbers." Request to revisit this policy prior to October. Board member Kelley made a motion to approve required changes to policy 5004 Option Enrollment., seconded by Ahrens.

Members voting aye:

Ahrens: Yea, Kelley: Yea, Priefert: Yea, Stone: Yea, Welch: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0 Motion Carried

Discuss, consider, and take all necessary action to approve Policy 5008 Pregnant or Parenting Students.

Mr. Apple stated, "this policy also has to do with Title IX additions and changes are required to match and follow Federal Law." Board member Kelley made a motion to approve required changes to policy 5008 Pregnant or Parenting Students., seconded by Priefert.

Members voting aye:

Ahrens: Yea, Kelley: Yea, Priefert: Yea, Stone: Yea, Welch: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0 Motion Carried

Discuss, consider, and take all necessary action to approve Policy 5001 Compulsory Attendance and Excessive Absenteeism.

Mr. Apple stated, "this policy needs to match what we are doing and includes changes to follow State Law." Board member Ahrens made a motion to approve required changes to policy 5001 Compulsory Attendance and Excessive Absenteeism., seconded by Stone.

Members voting aye:

Ahrens: Yea, Kelley: Yea, Priefert: Yea, Stone: Yea, Welch: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0 Motion Carried

Discuss, consider, and take all necessary action to approve Policy 6036 Reading Instruction and Intervention Services.

Mr. Apple stated, "this policy had an addition to match and follow Federal Law." Board member Priefert made a motion to approve required changes to policy 6036 Reading Instruction and Intervention Services., seconded by Kelley.

Members voting aye:

Ahrens: Yea, Kelley: Yea, Priefert: Yea, Stone: Yea, Welch: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0 Motion Carried

Discuss, consider, and take all necessary action to approve Policy 4040 Practices and Procedures Regarding Classified Staff.

Mr. Apple stated, "this will allow an additional benefit to offer our Classified Staff." Board member Kelley made a motion to approve required changes to policy 4040 Practices

and Procedures Regarding Classified Staff., seconded by Stone.

Members voting aye:

Ahrens: Yea, Kelley: Yea, Priefert: Yea, Stone: Yea, Welch: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0 Motion Carried

Discuss, consider, and take all necessary action to approve the 2024–2025 Activities, Elementary and Jr/Sr High Staff and Student-Parent Handbooks.

An additional document with only the changes/updates will be shared as appropriate. Board member Kelley made a motion to approve required changes to the 2024-2025 Handbooks., seconded by Priefert.

Members voting aye:

Ahrens: Yea, Kelley: Yea, Priefert: Yea, Stone: Yea, Welch: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0 Motion Carried

Upcoming Meetings

August 13, 2024 next Board of Education Meeting

Adjourn

Board member Priefert made a motion approved to adjourn at 5:47 p.m., seconded by Ahrens.

Members voting aye:

Ahrens: Yea, Kelley: Yea, Priefert: Yea, Stone: Yea, Welch: Yea Yea: 5, Nay: 0 Motion Carried