

**PAPILLION LA VISTA COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT #27**  
**Board of Education Proceedings**  
**February 10, 2025**

The Board of Education of the School District of Papillion La Vista, in the County of Sarpy, in the State of Nebraska, met in open and public session at 6:07 p.m., Monday, February 10, 2025. The meeting was held at the Papillion La Vista Community Schools Administration Office, 420 South Washington Street, Papillion, Nebraska.

Notice of the meeting was provided in advance by publication in the *Sarpy Times*, February 5, 2025. Notice of the meeting was simultaneously given to all members of the Board of Education. Their acknowledgment of receipt of the agenda is maintained at the Papillion La Vista Community Schools Administration Office. The proceedings, hereafter shown, were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

Call to Order

Board President SuAnn Witt called the meeting to order and publicly stated a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Law is posted at the entrance to the Board Room. Ms. Witt led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken. All board members were present: Ms. Elizabeth Butler, Mr. Marcus Madler, Ms. SuAnn Witt, Mr. Brian Lodes, Ms. Lisa Wood, and Mr. Skip Bailey. There were no comments from the Board or audience.

Communication

There were no public testifiers.

Recognition

Dr. Rikli recognized Charlee Solomon as the 2024-25 Nebraska Gatorade Volleyball Player of the Year. Ms. Solomon was not able to attend the meeting.

Student Council

Ms. Abigail Bender, representative from Papillion La Vista South High School, reported for the Student Council. Ms. Bender reported that the boys' basketball team is rated #2 in Class A. Senior Night will be celebrated for both boys' and girls' basketball February 11. Ms. Aubrey Lehr and Emilie Burki have qualified for girls State Wrestling. Mr. Caleb Yusem has qualified for State Bowling. The Fine Arts has several performances coming up. One Act Play Festival will be March 27-29. The Spring play of *Alice by Heart* will be held May 1-3. Staff from PLSHS participated in the annual Polar Plunge. All proceeds from the plunge go to the Special Olympics. Student Council hosted a Wish Week and collected over \$3,800.00. The proceeds go to the Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Rikli provided a report of highlights and activities he has attended this past month. Dr. Rikli thanked the community for attending the meeting and the community members that are watching the meeting on YouTube. Dr. Rikli recognized Missy Stolley as the new Student Service Director for the district. Missy will start in the district the first of July.

Testimony was given on February 10 in Lincoln on LB303. The Legislative is on day 23 of the 90-day session. Dr. Rikli provided the plan during the legislative session on how the Board will receive information on bills that the district is following.

On January 28 the Papillion La Vista Community Schools Foundation hosted the new PLV Media Studio ribbon cutting at PLHS.

The district admin has hired a new principal at Carriage Hill, Ms. Traci McShane. Ms. McShane is currently the Assistant Principal at G. Stanley Hall.

Dr. Rikli gave a shout out to the Communications department and Dr. Christopher Villarreal for the Pick Me Ups that are being distributed throughout the district. In previous years we have shared coffee and donuts to staff, and this year sweatshirts are being distributed.

Several of the district's schools participated in the annual Polar Plunge this past weekend. There was over \$16,000 raised to help the Special Olympics.

### Board Comments

Mr. Lodes attended two Liaison Lunches, one at Bell and one at Walnut Creek elementary schools.

Mr. Madler attended a meeting in Lincoln with NASB (Nebraska Association of School Boards) to discuss 15 bills that are set for hearings.

Ms. Butler attended a Liaison Lunch at YATP (Young Adult Transition Program).

Ms. Witt thanked all the students and staff who gave thank yous during the Board Appreciation week.

### Committee Reports:

- Building & Grounds & Finance: Mr. Madler reported the committee had not met.
- HR & Student Services Committee: Mr. Lodes reported the committee had met. Discussion items included the 2025/26 staffing number, in district transfer requests, and Policy 2000's.
- Curriculum and Instruction Committee: Mr. Bailey reported the committee had not met.

### Action Items – Monthly Business

A motion was made by Mr. Madler and seconded by Mr. Lodes to approve the Action by Consent Items: The meeting agenda, bills, out of state travel and personnel, and board meeting minutes of January 27, 2025, as presented. There were no comments from the Board or audience. Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Madler, Witt, Lodes, Wood, Bailey, and Butler. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Bailey and seconded by Mr. Madler to accept Policy 1000 – Public Relations and Communications changes to policies #1001, 1003, 1101, 1102, 1401, and 1405 as presented. There were no comments from the Board or audience. Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Witt, Lodes, Wood, Bailey, Butler, and Madler. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Madler and seconded by Mr. Lodes to approve the ADJUSTMENT OF SCHOOL DISTRICT BOUNDARIES INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT between Springfield Platteview Community Schools and Papillion La Vista Community Schools of an estimated 51.238 acres in the Belterra subdivision as presented and on file with official district records and the processing of school Reorganization Plan(s) to Transfer and Attach Property by a Change of Boundaries in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Agreement under and pursuant to the Learning Community Reorganization Act (Sections 79-4,117 to 79-4,129) and other Nebraska laws and that the Board President, Vice President or Superintendent be authorized to execute and deliver the Agreement and implement and administer the transactions thereunder for and on behalf of this school district. There were no comments from the Board or audience. Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Lodes, Wood, Bailey, Butler, Madler, and Witt. Nays: None. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Madler and seconded by Mr. Lodes to (1) approve the lump sum bid and authorize and approve the construction contract with D.R. Anderson Constructors for the low bid amount of \$4,350,358 for the Portal Elementary project and (2) delegates authority to and authorizes, approves and directs the President of the Board of Education, Superintendent of Schools, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services or a designee for the school district to sign, execute and deliver such construction contract, sign and approve any change orders, retain necessary professionals for assistance, pay the contract price, approve change order increases, and expenses related to the construction project and site preparation work and take all other action necessary to complete any requirements or obligations under the construction project and contract. There were no comments from the Board or audience. Roll call vote was taken. Ayes: Bailey, Butler, Madler, Witt, Lodes, and Wood. Nays: None. The motion carried.

#### Discussion/Information Items

Let the minutes reflect that the Mass Communications Vendor discussion item was removed from the agenda and will be discussed at a future board meeting.

Ms. Seery provided an update to the Board on the CIP (Continuous Improvement Program) visit. The visit was held January 20-23, 2025, with 19 leaders who serve in different education capacities throughout Nebraska. The visit happens every five years, as required by Rule 10. The team reviews the district's mission statement, and the team looks for evidence of the mission at every school during the visit. Dr. Rikli and Ms. Seery asked the team to visit every school which was very valuable. The next steps will be to start the Strategic Plan process.

Dr. Kati Settles, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, provided a report on the proposed staffing needs for the 2025-2026 school year. The recommendation from the Administration included increases to the certified staff full time equivalencies (FTEs). School Psychologist – 1.4 FTE. Potential Growth FTEs if needed = 2.0 Special Education and 3.0 General Education. Because the district was awarded the Learning Community Grant it comes with funding to hire additional staff. A Early Childhood Facilitator, Attendance Intervention Social Worker, and a Literacy Intervention Support Assistant.

The Series 2000 – Administration Board policies are up for annual review. Please forward any changes you would like to make to Dr. Settles. Recommended changes will be discussed at the February 24 board meeting, with possible action at the March 10 meeting. If there are no changes recommended, the Board will acknowledge review of the Series 2000 policies at the February 24 meeting.

Board President Witt reviewed the future board calendar.  
Board President Witt adjourned the meeting at 7:22p.m.

Lisa Wood, Secretary  
Papillion La Vista Community School District  
Board of Education