

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, April 8, 2025 located at the Jr./Sr. High Media Center/Library, 8404 42nd Street, Murray, NE 60409.

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 Statue 84-1407 to 84-1414 requires that the Open Meetings Act be posted in the meeting room. President Page informed the board and the public that the Open Meetings Act is located in the meeting room.

### **Opening Procedures**

Pledge of Allegiance. Roll Call-Ahrens: Present, Kelley: Present, Page: Present, Priefert: Present, Stone: Present, Weisz: Present.

### **Comments from the Audience**

Public comment on thanking the Administrators, Staff, and Board Members.

### **Presentations**

Presentations given on the Foundation, SkillsUSA/Industrial Technology (STS-Skills and Technical Science), and the Nebraska Seal of Biliteracy.

### **Consent Agenda**

Board member Priefert made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Ahrens. Members voting aye: Ahrens: Yea, Kelley: Yea, Page: Yea, Priefert: Yea, Stone: Yea, Weisz: Yea, Yea: 6, Nay: 0 Motion Carried.

### **Discussion Items**

Admin Reports

#### **Mr. Geise-Jr/Sr High Principal**

Sixth grade move-up day moved to May 7th. Math challenge day with Mr. Schliefert at Peru State College and 9 students who represented very well (Lamoureux, Gonderinger, Eagen, Jensen, Keene, Kayhanfar, Bergmeyer, Goecke, and Formanack). Flyer shared for Science Expo. Night on the 30th. Thanks to Mr. Stockwell for securing the donation for the sign for out front. Graduation information and important dates shared, all while making plans for the summer renovations.

#### **Mrs. Bergmeyer-Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment**

Began work with the CTE (career and technical education) teachers for education groups with Mr. Burns. Planning for incoming Ag. Teacher, Mrs. Carpenter, who is able to join Mr. Brothers at a conference for CTE. Looking at interactive boards with our Tech. department and ESU to see how user friendly they are. Testing through the State has begun and thankful for the staff for always being flexible.

**Mrs. Stieren-Assistant Principal/Activities Director**

Hannah B. qualified for State Speech through poetry and Jayden L. for State Journalism through newspaper column writing. FFA also had a great performance at State and some results were shared. It has been a great experience working with soccer and our Coaches, while the teams are off to a strong start. Shout out to Mr. Burns for assisting with technology during our track meet and comments on how smooth it went. Upcoming dates also shared, to include hosting large Track events these next two months.

**Mr. Krause-Director of Student Services** Absent, report submitted.

**Mr. Dennis-Elementary Principal** Absent, report submitted.

**Superintendent Report-Mr. Apple**

Update on LB 135 and how it could impact small districts if it advances. Superintendent meetings occurring to build relationships with State Senators in efforts to reach out regarding Legislation and K-12 education. Bonds to be sold this week and ground breaking for renovation will begin on May 9th at 8 a.m.

**Action Items**

Discuss, consider, and take all necessary action to approve the resignation of our 4th grade teacher, Emily C. Carpenter. Board member Kelley made a motion to approve the resignation of our 4th grade teacher, Emily C. Carpenter, seconded by Priefert. Members voting aye: Ahrens: Yea, Kelley: Yea, Page: Yea, Priefert: Yea, Stone: Yea, Weisz: Yea, Yea: 6, Nay: 0 Motion Carried.

Discuss, consider, and take all necessary action to approve the amended 2025-2026 calendar. Board member Ahrens made a motion to approve the amended 2025-2026 calendar, seconded by Kelley. Members voting aye: Ahrens: Yea, Kelley: Yea, Page: Yea, Priefert: Yea, Stone: Yea, Weisz: Yea, Yea: 6, Nay: 0 Motion Carried.

**Upcoming Meetings**

- **5/13/25 BOE meeting & 5/9/25 ground breaking**

**Adjourn**

Board member Priefert made a motion adjourn at 5:56 p.m., seconded by Stone. Members voting aye: Ahrens: Yea, Kelley: Yea, Page: Yea, Priefert: Yea, Stone: Yea, Weisz: Yea, Yea: 6, Nay: 0 Motion Carried.