

## OFFICIAL MINUTES REGULAR UNIFIED SCHOOL BOARD

The Unified Board of Education met in Bruning on Monday, April 13, 2009. Pursuant to law and notices posted in Bruning and Davenport, all proceedings were taken while convened meeting was open to the public. President Michael Schroeder called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. Unified board members present were Dan Domeier, Ron Holeman, Bruce Houchin, Rod Tegtmeier and Jodi Weber. Local board members present were Sarah Bolte, Garry Grone, and Brad Williams. Also present were Superintendent Trudy Clark, Principal Michael Brown, Cathy Wiedel, Lichelle Schroeder and Gwyn Stofer.

President Schroeder welcomed guests and recognized the Open Meeting Law Section 84-1408.

It was moved by Rod Tegtmeier, seconded by Jodi Weber, to approve the Consent Agenda items. Roll call vote was taken and motion carried 6-0.

Board Report – A thank you note was read from Mary Steeles' family.

Principal's Report – Mr. Brown reported on: recognition for the boys basketball team and coaches, recognize the speech team and coaches on their state runner-up position, middle school health fair. April 17<sup>th</sup>, Gretchen Berquist, Miss Nebraska, will speak to the Davenport students, April 22, elementary students to Deshler for the Dr. Seuss musical, April 27, Arbor Day at Belvidere for elementary students, bids for building security, and a practice tornado drill held on April 8 in both buildings.

Superintendent's Report – Ms. Clark reported on: Lichti Oil's request for a zoning change on the edge of Bruning, Davenport's vandalism and diesel theft from a school bus - Richard Mosier will start putting locking gas caps on the busses and vans. The concession stand and crow's nest also received some vandalism (graffiti), at the football field. The sheriff's office was notified of all the incidents and have taken fingerprints, etc. Ms. Clark also reported on 3 option enrollment out students, signed the "Intent of Contract" with ESU #5 for SpEd services, reported on state legislature plans but not final word on how the stimulus funds will be used in Nebraska schools. A thank you note was received from Mary Steele and family after the passing of her mother; last day of elementary school would be a full day on May 20<sup>th</sup> and the rest of the students would dismiss at noon on Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. May 22<sup>nd</sup> would then be a in-service day for the teachers with a dismissal at approximately 1 or 2:00 pm. Deshler will decide at their April board meeting whether to continue the wrestling program or not. A middle school student is using OdysseyWare math instead of attending the regular math classroom. A personal day will be taken by Ms. Clark on April 15.

### Old Business:

- A. A motion was made by Jodi Weber, seconded by Rod Tegtmeier, to approve Professional Growth Board Policy 611.07 on the 3<sup>rd</sup> reading. Roll call vote was taken and motion carried 6-0.
- B. Ron Holeman moved to approve Board Policy 707.3 on the 3<sup>rd</sup> reading. This policy concerns notice to the board when cash reserves fall to 30% of budget. Roll call vote was taken and motion carried 6-0.
- C. Board Policy 508.11 was approved on the third reading concerning the School Wellness Policy. Roll call vote was taken and the motion carried 6-0.
- D. President Mike Schroeder wanted the board to reconsider the motion passed in March concerning a full time position being created for the purpose of a certified teacher that would be on the Student Assistance Team and Response Intervention Team and teach two Social Studies classes and monitor online classes as necessary. After further discussion with Ms. Clark again stating what the position was for, the change failed for lack of a motion.
- E. The new position would be as stated in March. Someone certificated to teach Modern Problems, World Geography, and have the necessary experience to head the Response to Intervention Team.

### New Business:

- A. Discussion was held concerning the Honors Program for the high school. It was decided to hold the program Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm in the Bruning gym. There would not be a dinner beforehand but perhaps desserts would be served after the program.
- B. Weber moved to recognize the BDEA as the exclusive bargaining agent for negotiations with certified staff with negotiations to start quickly. The motion was seconded by Houchin carried by a 6-0 "Yes" roll call vote.
- C. Dual-credit was discussed; no changes were made to policy regarding credit and the inclusion in a student's GPA and rank or to allow students or parents to determine if that class will be added to transcript.
- D. Dan Domeier moved to rehire the certified employees other than those whom employment and contract maybe recommended for termination or non-renewal. Holeman seconded the motion, followed by a roll call vote that carried 6-0.
- E. Weber moved, seconded by Houchin, to adopt a Resolution to continue with the Alternative Educational Interlocal Agreement. Roll call vote was taken and motion carried 6-0.
- F. Moved by Tegtmeier, seconded by Holeman, to approve the Student Handbook Policy on Student Absences. Roll call vote was taken and motion carried 6-0.
- G. Summer help in each building is as follows: Bruning – Jim Hogeland, Mary Houchin, Wyona Wagner, Michelle Sybrant and Amanda Barney. Davenport – Berdon Pedersen, Georgann Schulte and Elaine Werner. The help will not be traveling back and forth to the school buildings this year except in a case of emergency.
- H. Further discussion was held concerning the meeting between administrators from Shickley and Bruning-Davenport USD. The points stressed were that facilities and logistics should be considered in determining location of games. Bruning-Davenport maintains position that all three sites should be considered equally regarding number of varsity home games.
- I. Domeier moved, Bruce Houchin seconded, to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 pm. Roll call vote was taken and motion carried 6-0.