

OFFICIAL MINUTES REGULAR UNIFIED SCHOOL BOARD

The Unified Board of Education met in Bruning on Monday, February 9, 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 (7:35), Bruce Houchin, Rod Tegtmeier and Jodi Weber. Local board members present were Jerry Catlett, Garry Grone and Dave Messman. Also present were Superintendent Trudy Clark, Principal Michael Brown, Sue Bittfield, Denise Carlson, Brian Leisher, Pat Remmers, Shirley Kamler and Gwyn Stofer.

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

It was moved by Jodi Weber, seconded by Rod Tegtmeier, to approve the Consent Agenda items. Roll call vote was taken and motion carried 5-0.

Ms. Bittfield took pictures of the school board members for the yearbook.

Principal's Report – Michael Brown reported on the Security recommendations that the Bruning building lock all doors except the front ones and that plan is now being used by visitors and delivery personnel; nothing has been done concerning changing classroom door locks because of liability reasons for companies installing such locks. Attendance was discussed and the need for adding a policy stressing the required days of attendance and penalties for too many days absent. Ms. Clark and Mr. Brown were instructed to look into surrounding school's policies. Teachers evaluations will be completed in the Bruning building by March 2. Mr. Brown recognized the boys basketball team, the speech team and their respective coaches for a very successful season.

Superintendent's Report – Ms. Clark reported on the following: Legislative update concerning mainly LB 64 and the training that would be required for all employees of the school district. The Statewide Parent Involvement Conference will be held in Ralston this year and the school will furnish transportation. (<http://www.ralstonschools.org>) Certified negotiations will begin earlier this year and Ms. Clark will begin working on the array to be presented. New preliminary notice of state aid received remains at zero for the coming year. Reserve funds have fallen below the recommended 30% mark of the budget so attention will need to be paid to this at budget time. District Speech will be held in Davenport on March 10th, so it is requested by administration that the Davenport school have no school that day – that affects grades 2 – 8 only. Two thank you notes were read concerning the Davenport site hosting FCCLA District #10 STAR with particular attention paid to the neatness of the building and the hospitality. Concern from a Bruning patron was expressed about having all football and volleyball in Bruning and all basketball games in Davenport. Vandalism to a Davenport employee's car on Jan. 23rd was reported to the sheriff's department. NRCSA Spring Conference will be March 26-27 in Lincoln. Van training, approved by Nebraska Dept. of Education Pupil Transportation Rule 91, is a new requirement but currently no drivers from Bruning or Davenport are in need of this training. Low numbers interested in wrestling for 2009-2010 was discussed but no decisions were to be made this month. Finally, the addition of a full time teacher to teach World Geography and World Problems was discussed. This person would also be responsible for maintaining and supervising the Student Assistance Team and the Response to Intervention process. Both of these are mandated by the State Department of Education.

Old Business:

- A. Dan Domeier moved to approve Board Policy 504.19, Cyber Bullying, on the second reading. Motion was seconded by Jodi Weber, roll call vote was taken and motion carried 605.

New Business:

- A. Bruce Houchin moved to approve the overnight band trip to Chicago. Jodi Weber seconded the motion. Mr. Leisher was reminded to present information to the administration and school board before planning such a trip in the future. Roll call vote was taken and motion carried 6-0.
- B. Ms. Clark reported on the Shickley community meeting. No action was needed.
- C. Jodi Weber reported the success of fund raising by SPI for playground equipment. The district needs to pay \$24,089.32 in order to get all the breaks available at this time. The grants and donations will cover most of that expense. The motion was made by Tegtmeier, seconded by Houchin, to pay the \$24,089.32 for the playground equipment for both schools. Roll call vote was taken and motion carried 6-0. Yes votes were from Domeier, Holeman, Houchin, Schroeder and Tegtmeier. Jodi Weber abstained.
- D. Domeier moved to allow the SPI organization to accept sealed bids for the old playground equipment at both locations. This will be another way to raise money and cut the district's share of expenses. Motion was seconded by Houchin, followed by a roll call vote that carried. Yes votes were Domeier, Holeman, Houchin, Schroeder and Tegtmeier. Jodi Weber again abstained.
- E. Tegtmeier moved to pay our dues of \$2,541 to NASB for the 2009-1010 school years. Houchin seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken and motion carried.
- F. Houchin moved to approve on first reading, the revisions of Board Policy 611.07 concerning graduation requirements, on first reading. Roll call vote was taken and motion carried 6-0.
- G. Jodi Weber moved to revise Board Policy 703, Management of Capital Reserves, on first reading. Domeier seconded the motion which carried on roll call vote by 6-0.
- H. Domeier moved to approve on first reading, Board Policy 508.11, School Wellness Policy. Weber seconded the motion which carried 6-0 in a roll call vote.
- I. There was a general consensus to hold the Board Retreat on March 23 if all parties and locations work out favorably.
- J. The board is looking into holding a community meeting with Bruning and Davenport patrons to discuss matters of interest.
- K. The board resolved to be a participant in the All-Hazards Mitigation Planning.
- L. Houchin moved to enter executive session at 9:24 pm to discuss personnel, litigation and salaries for administration. The motion was seconded by Tegtmeier and carried 6-0 with a roll call vote.
- M. Domeier moved to end executive session and reenter regular session at 10:28 pm. Motion was seconded by Houchin and carried with a 6-0 roll call vote.
- N. Domeier moved, seconded by Houchin, to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 pm. Roll call vote was taken and motion carried 6-0.