

Hartington-Newcastle Public Schools Board Meeting
January 15, 2024

Motion by Lange, seconded by Heikes, for the Board of Education to legally convene for the regular January 15, 2024 board meeting at 5:30 p.m. Members present: Candice Climer, Jason Heikes, Ian Lange, Jason Dendinger. Others present: Supt. A.J. Johnson, High School Principal Corey Uldrich, Business Manager Tina Opfer. Members voting aye: Lange, Heikes, Climer, Dendinger. Members voting nay: none. Absent: Fuelberth, Rosener. Carried: 4-0-2 Absent.

Notice of meeting was given by publication in the Cedar County News on January 10, 2024, and the Board of Education acknowledged by receipt and agenda. Publication and notice indicated the meeting place, date and time.

President Dendinger called the regular January 15, 2024 Board Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

President Dendinger informed all present of the Open Meetings Law and pointed out the copy of the Open Meetings Law Chapter 84 Article 14 poster on the Board Room wall.

Motion by Lange, seconded by Heikes, to approve the consent agenda that includes items #2 December 11, 2023 regular board meeting minutes, #3 Report on School Finances, #4 Approval of Bills (including those covered by the provisions of LB 734), and #5 Recognition of Visitors. Members voting aye: Lange, Heikes, Climer, Dendinger. Members voting nay: none. Absent: Fuelberth, Rosener. Carried: 4-0-2 Absent.

See Bills Insert

Aaron Fuelberth arrived.

Motion by Heikes to nominate Jason Dendinger for Board President. There were no other nominations so Jason Dendinger was declared President. Members voting aye: Fuelberth, Climer, Heikes, Lange, Dendinger. Members voting nay: none. Absent: Rosener. Carried: 5-0-1 Absent.

Motion by Fuelberth to nominate Dana Rosener for Vice President. There were no other nominations so Dana Rosener was declared Vice President. Members voting aye: Heikes, Lange, Fuelberth, Climer, Dendinger. Members voting nay: none. Absent: Rosener. Carried: 5-0-1 Absent.

Motion by Lange to nominate Candice Climer for secretary. There were no other nominations so Candice Climer was declared Secretary. Members voting aye: Lange, Heikes, Climer, Fuelberth, Dendinger. Members voting nay: none. Absent: Rosener. Carried: 5-0-1 Absent.

Motion by Lange, seconded by Climer, to approve the following appointments, elections, and designations:

Approve Mr. Johnson as official attendance officer for District #8, Hartington, Nebraska

Approve Tina Opfer as Business Manager - Treasurer

Approve District Counsel – to be left to the discretion of Superintendent with approval of Board, (Attorneys approved: Perry, Guthery, Haase, and Gessford, KSB Law Firm)

Approve Official School Depository – Bank of Hartington, Cedar Security Bank of Fordyce, Farmers and Merchants Bank of Hartington, and Security Bank of Hartington

Approve Official Newspaper – Cedar County News and Omaha World Herald

Approve Mr. Johnson as Federal Programs Director

Members voting aye: Fuelberth, Heikes, Lange, Climer, Dendinger. Members voting nay: none. Absent: Rosener. Carried: 5-0-1 Absent.

Motion by Fuelberth, seconded by Lange, to approve faculty absentee consideration report and waive absences without losing credit. Members voting aye: Heikes, Lange, Climer, Fuelberth, Dendinger. Members voting nay: none. Absent: Rosener. Carried: 5-0-1 Absent.

Motion by Heikes, seconded by Lange, to approve Elijah Strom for the Industrial Tech position and contract. Members voting aye: Fuelberth, Lange, Heikes, Climer, Dendinger. Members voting nay: none. Absent: Rosener. Carried: 5-0-1 Absent.

Motion by Lange, seconded by Heikes, to approve the new conference and leave Lewis and Clark Conference. Members voting aye: Climer, Heikes, Fuelberth, Lange, Dendinger. Members voting nay: none. Absent: Rosener. Carried: 5-0-1 Absent.

Motion by Heikes, seconded by Fuelberth, to approve shot clocks for estimated \$15,020.66 for both gyms. Members voting aye: Heikes, Fuelberth, Climer, Lange, Dendinger. Members voting nay: none. Absent: Rosener. Carried: 5-0-1 Absent.

Motion by Lange, seconded by Fuelberth, to move into closed session at 5:50 p.m. Members voting aye: Heikes, Lange, Fuelberth, Climer, Dendinger. Members voting nay: none. Absent: Rosener. Carried: 5-0-1 Absent.

Motion by Fuelberth, seconded by Lange, to approve motion to come out of closed session at 6:16 p.m. Members voting aye: Heikes, Climer, Lange, Fuelberth, Dendinger. Members voting nay: none. Absent: Rosener. Carried: 5-0-1 Absent.

Next board meeting will be February 12, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

Motion by Lange, seconded by Fuelberth, to adjourn at 6:19 p.m. Members voting aye: Fuelberth, Heikes, Lange, Climer, Dendinger. Members voting nay: none. Absent: Rosener. Carried: 5-0-1 Absent.

Candice Climer, Secretary