

O'NEILL PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
April 13, 2015

BOARD MEMBERS

Jim Gotschall – President
Ellen Boshart – Vice President
Delight Becker – Vice President-Elect
Amy Rowse – Member
Jim Sibbel – Member
Tom Stepp – Member

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Corey Fisher – High School Principal
Dan Woodle – Elementary Principal
Nick Hostert – Activities Director
Kathy Grossnicklaus – Special Education Director

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The **regular** meeting of the O'Neill Public School Board of Education was called to order by President Jim Gotschall at 7:30 p.m., on Monday, April 13, 2015 in the meeting room at 410 East Benton, O'Neill, Nebraska. This meeting was advertised in the Holt County Independent on April 2, 2015, over KBRX Radio and posted at the school buildings and the O'Neill Post Office.

Board Secretary Kathy Marvin called the roll with Delight Becker, Ellen Boshart, Jim Gotschall, Amy Rowse, Jim Sibbel, and Tom Stepp present.

Administrators Amy Shane, Corey Fisher, Nick Hostert, Dan Woodle, and Kathy Grossnicklaus were present. Steve Brown, Building and Grounds Director, was also present.

Visitors were welcomed and informed that this meeting was in compliance with the Nebraska Open Meetings Act.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Delight Becker **moved, to approve the meeting agenda.** Jim Sibbel **seconded** the motion. Roll call vote **carried** 6-0. Voting Aye: Boshart, Gotschall, Rowse, Sibbel, Stepp, and Becker.

Ellen Boshart **moved, to approve the minutes of the March 9, 2015 regular meeting as amended, to reflect a 2.95% hourly increase for classified staff for the 2015-2016 school year, without reading.** Tom Stepp **seconded** the motion. Roll call vote **carried** 6-0. Voting Aye: Gotschall, Rowse, Sibbel, Stepp, Becker, and Boshart.

Science Department Presentation

Junior-Senior High School Science teachers, Mr. Lowell Brown, Mr. Bryan Corkle, Mr. Cody Havranek, and Mr. Kevin Morrow shared with the board the current happenings in their department. Each teacher described the curricular material covered in their respective classes. Courses currently being offered in the science department include Physical Science, Chemistry, Physics, Advanced Earth and Space, Biology, Topics in Science, and Anatomy/Physiology. Mr. Brown has tentatively scheduled a Star Gazing party for Saturday, May 2, 2015 at the soccer fields beginning at dark. No action taken.

Policy #502.05 – Student Transfer In

Ellen Boshart moved, to adopt Policy #502.05 – Student Transfer In as revised. Amy Rowse seconded the motion. Roll call vote carried 6-0. Voting Aye: Rowse, Sibbel, Stepp, Becker, Boshart, and Gotschall.

Compensation for Substitutes, After School Programs, Interpreters, Accompanist, and Off Contract Certified Staff

Jim Sibbel moved, to approve the Compensation Rates for Substitutes, After School Programs, Interpreters, Accompanist, and Off Contract Certified Staff for the 2015-2016 school year as follows: After School Program student workers \$8.00 per hour, adult workers \$10.00 per hour, Director \$19.00 per hour; summer workers \$8.00 per hour; Certified Staff Off Contract Time \$20.00 per hour; Foreign Language Interpreter \$20.00 per hour; Piano Accompanist \$15.00 per hour; Substitute Rates – van driver \$9.95 per hour, para educator \$8.75 per hour, office secretary \$8.75 per hour, custodian \$8.00 per hour, teacher \$95.00 per day, Long Term Certified Staff Substitute \$125.00 per day, Nurse Substitute \$100.00 per day, and Certified Staff (during planning time) \$10.00 per day. Tom Stepp seconded the motion. Roll call vote carried 6-0. Voting Aye: Becker, Boshart, Gotschall, Rowse, Sibbel, and Stepp.

Policy #502.02 – Nonresident Students/Option Enrollment

Discussion was held regarding Policy #502.02 – Nonresident Students/Option Enrollment and establishing classroom capacity limits. No action taken.

Proposed Changes to the Student Handbooks (Attendance)

Building Principals, Mr. Fisher and Mr. Woodle, shared with the board proposed revisions to their respective student handbooks regarding attendance and tardy issues. These changes will aid in establishing a more detailed procedure for addressing attendance concerns. No action necessary.

Staff Resignations

Ellen Boshart moved, to accept Janice Vosler's resignation effective at the conclusion of the 2014-2015 school year. Delight Becker seconded the motion. Roll call vote carried 6-0. Voting Aye: Stepp, Becker, Boshart, Gotschall, Rowse, and Sibbel.

Delight Becker moved, to accept Dale Jackson's resignation effective at the conclusion of the 2014-2015 school year. Amy Rowse seconded the motion. Roll call vote carried 6-0. Voting Aye: Becker, Boshart, Gotschall, Rowse, Sibbel, and Stepp.

Release of Contracts

Ellen Boshart moved, to grant the request to release Jessica Wood from her 2015-2016 contract. Amy Rowse seconded the motion. Roll call vote carried 6-0. Voting Aye: Boshart, Gotschall, Rowse, Sibbel, Stepp, and Becker.

Delight Becker moved, to grant the request to release Cody Havranek from his 2015-2016 contract. Ellen Boshart seconded the motion. Roll call vote carried 6-0. Voting Aye: Gotschall, Rowse, Sibbel, Stepp, Becker, and Boshart.

Teacher Contracts

Amy Rowse moved, to approve a 1.0 FTE teaching contract with Kendra Vanderbeek for the 2015-2016 school year. Jim Sibbel seconded the motion. Roll call vote carried 6-0. Voting Aye: Rowse, Sibbel, Stepp, Becker, Boshart, and Gotschall.

Jim Sibbel **moved, to approve a .75 FTE teaching contract with Rachel Martin for the 2015-2016 school year.** Amy Rowse **seconded** the motion. Roll call vote **carried** 6-0. Voting Aye: Sibbel, Stepp, Becker, Boshart, Gotschall, and Rowse.

Amy Rowse **moved, to approve a .50 FTE teaching contract with Teresa Mustin for the 2015-2016 school year.** Jim Sibbel **seconded** the motion. Roll call vote **carried** 6-0. Voting Aye: Stepp, Becker, Boshart, Gotschall, Rowse, and Sibbel.

AmeriCorps Grant

Jim Sibbel **moved, to approve submitting an AmeriCorps grant for the 2015-2016 school year.** Tom Stepp **seconded** the motion. Roll call vote **failed** 3-3. Voting Aye: Boshart, Rowse, and Stepp. Voting Nay: Becker, Gotschall, and Sibbel.

Option Enrollment Report

No action necessary.

Administrative reports were presented and are on file at the administrative office.

Bills and Claims and Payroll Report

Ellen Boshart **moved, to approve the bills and claims and accept the payroll report as presented.** Jim Sibbel **seconded** the motion. Roll call vote **carried** 5-0-1. Voting Aye: Boshart, Gotschall, Rowse, Sibbel, and Becker. Abstaining: Stepp.

Ellen Boshart **moved, to adjourn the meeting.** Amy Rowse **seconded** the motion. Roll call vote **carried** 6-0. Voting Aye: Gotschall, Rowse, Sibbel, Stepp, Becker, and Boshart.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.



Kathleen Marvin
School Board Secretary Holt Co. Dist. #7