



Regular Board of Directors Meeting

Monday, August 21, 2017 at 5:30 PM

Educational Service Unit 7, Oak Room
2657 44th Avenue
Columbus, NE 68601-8537

1. Call the meeting to order

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

Rationale:

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ESU 7 Mission Statement

Notice of this meeting was given in advance according to State Law 84-1411, by giving notice of the meeting to the public on ESU 7 website www.esu7.org and posted at location of meeting. Notice of this meeting was also given in advance to all members of the Board of Directors. Availability of the agenda and purpose of the hearing was communicated in the advance notice of the meeting and in the notice to the members of this hearing. All proceedings of the Board of Directors were taken while the convened hearing was open to the attendance of the public.

1.1. Notification of Open Meetings Law

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

Rationale:

This meeting has been preceded by advance notice and is hereby declared to be in open session. A copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted in the meeting room.

1.2. Roll Call

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

Rationale:

The Secretary to the Board shall call the roll of members.

1.2.1. Board Absences

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

Rationale:

Staff Recommendation: Discuss, consider and take action to approve the Board member absences.

Recommended Motion(s):

Motion to approve absent Board members Passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2.

1.3. Pledge of Allegiance

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

2. Negotiations Committee Update

Speaker(s): Larianne Polk or designee

Rationale:

Confirmation of Board Members on the Negotiations Committee for 2017-2018.

Preview of Negotiations Work for 2017-2018

3. Public Forum

3.1. Welcome Visitors

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

3.2. Public Comment

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

Rationale: The Board has the discretion to limit the amount of time set aside for public participation.

Citizens wishing to address the Board on a certain agenda item must notify the Educational Service Unit Administrator prior to the board meeting. Citizens wishing to present petitions to the Board may do so at this time. However, the Board will only receive the petitions and not

act upon them or their contents.

Public Participation in Board Meetings **Policy 1.02.02**

4. Approval of Agenda

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

Rationale:

The sequence of agenda topics is subject to change at the discretion of the Board.

Order of Business, Regular Meetings **Policy 1.02.01**

Recommendation: Discuss, consider and take any necessary action to approve agenda.

Recommended Motion(s):

Discuss, consider and take any necessary action to approve agenda as presented Passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2.

5. Approval of Consent Agenda

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

Rationale:

Unless removed from the consent agenda, items identified within the consent agenda will be acted upon at one time.

If any Board Member wished to discuss an item, it must be removed from the consent agenda at which time the remaining items will be acted on.

Consent Agenda Includes:

- Minutes from the previous meeting
- Treasurers Report(s) from previous Meetings
- Presentation of the Bills
- Certificated/Classified Hire(s)/Reassignments/Resignation(s)
- Other Routine Agenda Items

Recommendation: Discuss, consider and take any action necessary to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Recommended Motion(s):

Discuss, consider and take any action necessary to approve the consent agenda as presented Passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2.

5.1. June 2017 Approval of Minutes

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

Rationale:

Meeting Minutes from the previous month's Board Meeting are attached for your review.

5.2. July 2017 Treasurer's Report

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

Rationale:

The July 2017 Treasurer's Report is attached for your review.

5.3. August 2017 Treasurer's Report

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

Rationale:

The August 2017 Treasurer's Report is attached for your review.

5.4. July 2017 Bills: Total \$957,150.32 - Bills #65583-65772

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

Rationale:

The summary of bills for the current month total of \$957,150.32 - Bills #65583-65772.

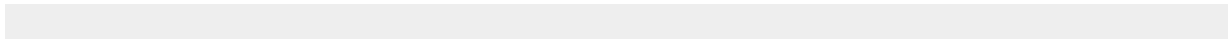
Inservice Bills Total: \$437.50

SPED Arrears: \$0

Tech Arrears: \$12.50 - Columbus Christian, \$62.50 - St. Edward

Check #	Amount	Vendor	Description
65590	\$5,238.21	Amazon	SPED/Tech/Title IIA/Migrant supplies
65602	\$9,475.00	Ashlock Consulting, Inc.	Title IIA
65606	\$100,466.67	BOK Financial	Tech Bond Repayment
65608	\$5,334.93	Boone Central Schools	SPED/Migrant Reimbursement
65626	\$18,549.10	Central City	Title I/IIA Reimbursement
65633	\$10,500.00	Columbus Public Schools	SPED Deaf Ed.
65647	\$6,723.00	Days Inn & Suites	Migrant Binational Teacher Lodging
65650	\$47,128.24	Eakes Office	Copier Maintenance/new copier Sharp 90 PPM
65652	\$28,060.33	East Butler Public School	Title I/IIA Reimbursement
65659	\$11,831.00	ESU 2	Gale Cengage Learning Renewal
65661	\$9,813.48	ESU 6	AV Repair Agreement
65663	\$9,151.50	ESUCC	Learn 360/BlendEd/Magic Bus/B.NYE
65664	\$7,500.00	FileWave	US Certified Filewave Administrator

65671	\$6,486.10	High Plains	Title I/IIA Reimbursement
65685	\$24,005.00	Kagan Professional Dev.	Kagan Coop Learning Day
65696	\$12,656.63	Lakeview	Title I/IIA Reimbursement
65716	\$19,500.00	Marzano Research Lab.	Contracted Service
65723	\$9,995.00	Moss - Financial Office	Vertex Engage Standard
65729	\$9,210.81	NE ESU Coop Purchasing	World Book Online Subscription renewals
65733	\$5,131.84	O'Neill Public School	Title III Reimbursement
65735	\$23,503.80	Palmer Public School	Title I Reimbursement
65762	\$16,359.20	ThinkMap, Inc.	Visual Thesaurus Online Edition



5.5. August 2017 Bills summary for the current month total of \$628,893.59 - Bills #65773-65926.

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

Rationale:

The summary of bills for the current month total of \$628,893.59 - Bills #65773-65926.

Inservice Bills Total: \$0

SPED Arrears: \$0

Tech Arrears: Columbus Christian \$12.50

Check #	Amount	Vendor	Description
65802	\$6,163.20	Capital One Bank	General/Grants Travel
65807	\$8,193.37	Central City Public School	Title I/IIA Reimbursement
65810	\$17,161.17	Clarkson Public School	Title I/IIA Reimbursement
65819	\$8,745.14	Eakes Office	Copier Maintenance
65827	\$12,578.49	ESU 2	NNNC Expenses
65828	\$9,793.48	ESU 6	AV Repair Agreement
65842	\$6,645.90	Howells-Dodge	Title I/IIA Reimbursement
65857	\$8,446.78	Lakeview	Title III Reimbursement
65866	\$5,200.00	Marzano Research Lab	Title IIA Contracted Service
65878	\$5,383.52	O'Neill Public School	Migrant Reimbursement
65880	\$6,283.66	Palmer Public School	Accountability Consultant

65903	\$5,651.81	Streakwave Wireless	Telecom - school technology parts
65907	\$8,455.00	Tek Data Systems	Media Service Agreement (TOMMS/S)
65911	\$5,454.00	Twin River	Accountability Consultant

5.6. Grant Contract for Autism Spectrum Disorders

Speaker(s): Larianne Polk or Designee

Rationale:

17-18 Contract for Sonja Peetz, Autism Spectrum Disorders Grant Coordinator.

6. Action Items

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

6.1. Bond Measure

Speaker(s): Larianne Polk or designee

Rationale:

A public hearing was held and a meeting conducted by the Board (the "**Board**") of Educational Service Unit 7 in the State of Nebraska (the "**District**") at 5:20 p.m. on Monday, August 21, 2017, in the Oak Conference Room, at the District's main office, 2657 44th Avenue, Columbus, Nebraska in a publicly convened session, the same being open to the attendance of the public and having been preceded by advance publicized notice.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT TO continue its participation in an interlocal cooperative WITH one or more Nebraska public school districts and/or educational service UNITS; AUTHORIZING SUCH COOPERATIVE to issue bonds on behalf of the District in a principal amount not to exceed \$100,000 to finance the cost of any item of hardware or software used by the District in providing for the delivery of information, including the purchasing of upgrades or related improvements to information technology for the operation of libraries operated by the UNIT; DELEGATING THE AUTHORITY TO DETERMINE THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNTS, MATURITY DATES, INTEREST RATES, REDEMPTION PROVISIONS AND OTHER TERMS OF SUCH BONDS; IMPOSING A TAX TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON SUCH BONDS; DESIGNATING THE BONDS AS QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS; AUTHORIZING CERTAIN ACTIONS AND DOCUMENTS; PUBLISHING NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE SUCH BONDS; AND PRESCRIBING OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.

Recommendation: Discuss and consider a resolution authorizing ESU 7 to continue its participation in an Interlocal Cooperative and authorize such Interlocal Cooperative to issue bonds on behalf of ESU 7 in a principal amount not to exceed \$100,000 to finance the joint project of the Cooperative and to impose a tax to pay the principal and interest on such Bonds.

Recommended Motion(s):

A resolution authorizing ESU 7 to continue its participation in an Interlocal Cooperative and authorize such Interlocal Cooperative to issue bonds on behalf of ESU 7 in a principal amount not to exceed \$100,000 to finance the joint project of the Cooperative and to impose a tax to pay the principal and interest on such Bonds Passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2.

6.2. Reading of Policy 1.04 Approval of Bills and Policy 1.09 Authorizes Depositories, Bonds, Disbursements of Funds

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

Rationale:

Recommendation: Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to approve Policy 1.04 Approval of Bills and Policy 1.09 Authorizes Depositories, Bonds, Disbursements of Funds as presented.

Recommended Motion(s):

Policy 1.04 Approval of Bills and Policy 1.09 Authorizes Depositories, Bonds, Disbursements of Funds as presented Passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2.

6.3. Authorized Depositories

Speaker(s): Larianne Polk

Rationale:

Board Policy 1.09, Authorized Depositories, Bonds, Disbursement of Funds requires the ESU 7 Board to annually authorize depositories for ESU 7 Funds, The checking accounts are currently at First National Bank and Trust, Columbus. In August, 1988, the Board authorized the Administrator and Board Treasurer to contact banks in the ESU area to invest money at the best rate. Current investments are listed in the Treasurer's Report.

Recommendation: Discuss, consider and take any necessary action to approve the procedures for selecting the depositories for ESU 7 funds during the 2017-2018 Fiscal Year.

Recommended Motion(s):

Procedures for selecting the depositories for ESU 7 funds during the 2017-2018 Fiscal Year Passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2.

6.4. 2018, 2019, 2020 Audit Bid

Speaker(s): Larianne Polk or Designee

Rationale:

Audit bids have been solicited and received for the next three year cycle.

Recommendation: Discuss, consider and take any action necessary to accept the bid for conducting the ESU 7 audit for Fiscal Year End 2018, 2019, 2020.

Recommended Motion(s):

Motion to accept the bid for conducting the ESU 7 audit for Fiscal Year End 2018, 2019, 2020 Passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2.

6.5. Contract Amendment - Migrant Data Analyst

Speaker(s): Larianne Polk or Designee

Rationale:

The contract of Danielle Waite, Migrant Education Program Data Analyst, has been amended by the Nebraska Department of Education.

Recommendation: Discuss, consider and take any action necessary to approve the amendment to the Migrant Education Program Data Analyst Contract.

Recommended Motion(s):

Discuss, consider and take any action necessary to approve the amendment to the Migrant Education Program Data Analyst Contract Passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2.

6.6. Nebraska Rural Community Schools Association (NRCSA)

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

Rationale:

The Nebraska Rural Community Schools Association is a non-profit organization dedicated to serving the needs of rural schools and communities. Since 1981, NRCSA has been committed to protecting the well-being of public education and implementing its mission of providing quality education for all children.

NRCSA is an Association consisting of 195 school districts and ESU's in Nebraska working together to support and promote quality educational programs for students in rural Nebraska. Through its members NRCSA serves the interests of over 75,000 children in 88 counties and 24 legislative districts.

Recommendation: Discuss, consider and take any action necessary to approve the 17-18 NRCSA Dues in the amount of \$850.

Recommended Motion(s):

Approval of 2017-2018 NRCSA Dues in the amount of \$850 Passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2.

6.7. 2017-2018 Mileage Allowance

Speaker(s): Larianne Polk

Rationale:

As per Policy 3.14 Mileage Allowance, the Board shall approve the mileage rate in the August meeting.

The ESU Master Negotiated Agreement stipulates all employees covered by the agreement shall receive mileage compensation at the IRS approved reimbursable rate. Currently, all of our employees are compensated at the same rate, \$.535.

Recommendation: Discuss, consider, and take any action necessary to approve the mileage rate per Policy 3.14.

Recommended Motion(s):

Approval of the Mileage rate per Policy 3.14 Passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2.

6.8. Recognition of the ESU 7 Education Association

Speaker(s): Larianne Polk or Designee

Rationale:

Recognition of the ESU 7 Education Association (ESU7EA) was requested by ESU7EA Chair, Brandy Rose. The ESU7EA requests to be recognized as the exclusive bargaining agent to non-supervisory certificated staff for the 2017-2018 contract year.

Recommended Motion(s):

Recognition of the ESU7EA as the exclusive bargaining agent for non-supervisory certificated staff for 2017-2018 Passed with a motion by Board Member #1 and a second by Board Member #2.

7. Discussion Items

Rationale:

Items to be discussed by the Board, not requiring action, are found following this item.

7.1. Behavior Presentation

Speaker(s): Darus Mettler or Designee

Rationale:

ESU 7 member School Districts, through a priority planning process, have identified behavior supports as a potential program for the ESU to provide. Each month, the Special Education Department will provide data and information relevant to these needs.

7.2. 2016-2017 Technology Bond Summary Publication

Speaker(s): Larianne Polk

Rationale:

The Summary Publication, provided by the Bonding Agency, D.A. Davidson, for the 2016-2017 Technology Bond Cooperative is available from the Secretary to the Board, Katy McNeil.

7.3. Board Visit Updates - Twin River and Osceola

Speaker(s): Larianne Polk

Rationale:

Board members will give an overview of Board Visits held to date including Twin River and Osceola.

7.4. Budget Committee Update

Speaker(s): Terry Fusco or Designee

Rationale:

Chairman Fusco will give an overview of Budget Committee Discussions to date.

7.5. AdvancED Update

Speaker(s): Larianne Polk or Designee

Rationale:

Administrator Polk will give an overview of AdvancED External Visit preparations to date.

7.6. Finalization of Board Retreat Date/Time

Speaker(s): Larianne Polk

Rationale:

The Board has selected a Board Retreat Date of September 28, 2017 at Dusters. The room has been held at Dusters from 11:30am-3:30pm.

7.7. ALICAP Premium Update

Speaker(s): Larianne Polk or Designee

Rationale:

The ALICAP premium billing for 2017-2018 has been received. This insurance program is a part of our membership with NASB.

7.8. Budget Hearing and Budget Summary are Scheduled for September 14, 2017 in the Oak Room at 5:15pm

Speaker(s): Larianne Polk

Rationale:

Budget Hearing and Budget Summary are Scheduled for September 14, 2017 in the Oak Room at 5:15pm

7.9. The Final Tax Asking Hearing has been set for September 14, 2017 at 5:25pm in the Oak Room.

Speaker(s): Larianne Polk

Rationale:

The Final Tax Asking Hearing has been set for September 14, 2017 at 5:25pm in the Oak Room.

7.10. Negotiations Team

Speaker(s): Larianne Polk or Designee

Rationale:

Members of the Negotiations Team from the ESU 7 Board for 16-17 included: Doug Kluth (Chair), Jennifer Miller, Richard Luebbe and Richard Stephens.

In this item, the 17-18 Negotiations Team will be identified.

7.11. Administrator's Report

Speaker(s): Larianne Polk

Rationale:

Facilities Update

Statewide Update

- Facilitation of ESU 5 Grant - Attached for your Review

Administrator's Goals - Attached for your Review

AESA Sign Up - Turn your information sheet into Katy ASAP. It is attached if you need an additional copy.

State Education Conference Sign Up

NASB's Annual Area Membership Meetings will begin at the end of August giving NASB the opportunity to recognize school board and ESU board members for achieving new levels of success during the recent Awards year. Board members are awarded for their participation in NASB Programs and Services as well as attendance at NASB workshops and events.

Awards to be received:

Point Award - Level I	Marni	Danhauer	ESU 7	50	50
Point Award - Level I	Gary	Wieseler	ESU 7	50	65
Point Award - Level II	Joyce	Baumert	ESU 7	150	225
Point Award - Level II	Jennifer	Miller	ESU 7	150	160
Point Award - Level II	Jack	Young	ESU 7	150	200
Point Award - Level III	Terry	Fusco	ESU 7	250	300
Point Award - Level III	Doug	Kluth	ESU 7	250	255
Point Award - Level III	Doug	Pauley	ESU 7	250	250
Point Award - Level VI	Don	Ellison	ESU 7	750	842

8. Adjournment

Speaker(s): Don Ellison or Designee

Created by: Katy McNeil, Secretary to the ESU 7 Board of Directors