

Board of Education Regular Meeting

6:00 PM

Middle School/High School Media Center

565 S. Kimmel

Osceola, NE 68651-0198

Jennifer Boruch: Present

John Kropatsch: Present

Adam Peterson: Absent

Jodie Roberts: Present

Tom Schleif: Present

Darin Sterup: Present

1. Osceola Public Schools Board of Education Information

Notice of this meeting was posted at the Jeffrey Elementary School, Osceola Middle School/High School, Pinnacle Bank of Osceola, and the Osceola Post Office. A copy of the agenda items is tentative and may be changed by the Board if necessary.

2. Opening Procedures

2.1. Call the Meeting to Order

Vice-President Boruch called the regular meeting to order at 6:01 PM and informed those in attendance that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted in the meeting room, then directed the public to its location.

2.2. Roll Call

Adam Peterson and Tom Schleif marked as absent at roll call.

2.3. Excuse Board Members Who Are Absent

To excuse board members Adam Peterson and Tom Schleif Passed with a motion by John Kropatsch and a second by Jodie Roberts.

Jennifer Boruch: Yea, John Kropatsch: Yea, Jodie Roberts: Yea, Darin Sterup: Yea

3. Approval of Agenda

Approval of the agenda as written Passed with a motion by John Kropatsch and a second by Darin Sterup.

Jennifer Boruch: Yea, John Kropatsch: Yea, Jodie Roberts: Yea, Darin Sterup: Yea

4. Recognition of Visitors/Communications from the Public

No visitors were present and the board moved on to reports.

5. Reports

5.1. Principals Reports

5.1.1. Elementary Report

Elementary Principal Sarah Johnson gave her written and oral report about: the program "Girls on the Run" will be starting for 3rd through 5th grade girls; the State evaluated the Preschool; RTi consortium representative Mrs. Tabor will be visiting in January. Principal Johnson also informed the Board that this will be her last year as Elementary Principal at Osceola Public Schools as time required of the position takes too much time away from her family. Thank you, Mrs. Johnson, for all of your efforts and dedication. You will be deeply missed.

5.1.2. MS/HS Report

MS/HS Principal Dale Maynard gave his written and oral report about: the basketball and wrestling seasons are underway; semester tests are scheduled for December 19th-22nd; staff teaching math are at NCTM training; digital textbooks are being looked at for social studies; laptop usage by students is going well; and the Bryte Bites survey is being assessed.

5.2. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Rinehart gave his written and oral report about: the refinancing of bonds; the resignation of newly elected board member Nicole Kropatsch; the coming resignations of Mrs. Lisa Stowe and Mr. David Ienn in January; employment of Principal Johnson in an alternative positive within the district; the upgrades to the computer network for e-rate; and the needed repairs to the maintenance pickup.

5.3. Board Reports

There were no board reports.

6. Action Items

6.1. Consent Agenda

Approval of the consent agenda Passed with a motion by Darin Sterup and a second by Jodie Roberts.

Jennifer Boruch: Yea, John Kropatsch: Yea, Jodie Roberts: Yea, Darin Sterup: Yea

6.1.1. Approval of the Previous Meeting's Minutes

6.1.2. Treasurer's Report

6.1.3. Payment of general fund claims in the amount of \$321,619.46

6.1.4. Payment of qualified capital purpose undertaking fund claims of \$101,467.50

6.2. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action calling in for redemption the outstanding Series 2009 Limited Tax Bonds.

A resolution calling for the early redemption of \$355,000 in aggregate principal amount of limited tax obligation building improvement bonds, series 2009, issued by Polk County School District 72-0019 (Osceola Public Schools) in the State of Nebraska Passed with a motion by Darin Sterup and a second by Jennifer Boruch.

Jennifer Boruch: Yea, John Kropatsch: Yea, Jodie Roberts: Yea, Darin Sterup: Yea

6.3. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action authorizing the issuance of Series 2015 Limited Tax Refunding Bonds

A resolution authorizing the issuance by Polk County School District 72-0019 (Osceola Public Schools) in the State of Nebraska of its limited tax obligation refunding school bonds, series 2015, in the aggregate principal amount of \$365,000 for the purposes of refunding certain outstanding bonds of the District; prescribing the form and details of such bonds; imposing a tax to pay the principal of and interest on such bonds; designating the series 2015 bonds tax exempt obligations; adopting certain post-issuance compliance procedures with respect to the bonds; and authorizing certain actions and documents and prescribing other matters relating thereto Passed with a motion by John Kropatsch and a second by Jodie Roberts.

Jennifer Boruch: Yea, John Kropatsch: Yea, Jodie Roberts: Yea, Darin Sterup: Yea

Refinancing will save the district \$15,858.33 in interest payments and still pay the bonds within the time frame.

6.4. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action to accept resignation of newly elected board member Nicole Kropatsch

Acceptance of Nicole Kropatsch's board member resignation Passed with a motion by John Kropatsch and a second by Jodie Roberts.

Jennifer Boruch: Yea, John Kropatsch: Yea, Jodie Roberts: Yea, Darin Sterup: Yea

6.5. Discuss, consider and take all necessary action on offering Superintendent contact.

To offer Superintendent Rinehart a 2-year contract for the 2015-16 and 2016-17 school years as posted Passed with a motion by John Kropatsch and a second by Jodie Roberts.

Jennifer Boruch: Yea, John Kropatsch: Yea, Jodie Roberts: Yea, Darin Sterup: Yea

7. Discussion Items

7.1. Discuss options for appointing board members

With the resignation of Nicole Kropatsch, a board member will need to be appointed by the Board. Candidates need to complete an application that can be found on the schools website under FORMS, or by picking up an application at the Osceola High School. Applications need to be completed and returned by January 1, 2015 to be considered. If you have any questions contact any current board member or Superintendent Steven A. Rinehart at the high school (402-747-3121).

7.2. Executive session to discuss strategies in negotiations with certificated staff for 15-16
Motion to enter into executive session at 6:55 P.M. for strategic planning about negotiations/collective bargaining which is necessary for the protection of the public interest or to prevent needless injury to the reputation of an individual in compliance with the law Passed with a motion by Darin Sterup and a second by Jennifer Boruch.

Jennifer Boruch: Yea, John Kropatsch: Yea, Jodie Roberts: Yea, Darin Sterup: Yea
Motion to exit executive session which was called to discuss strategy with respect to negotiations/collective bargaining at 8:20 P.M. Passed with a motion by Darin Sterup and a second by Jennifer Boruch.

Jennifer Boruch: Yea, John Kropatsch: Yea, Jodie Roberts: Yea, Tom Schleif: Yea, Darin Sterup: Yea

Vice-President Boruch repeated that a motion was made by Darin Sterup and seconded by Jennifer Boruch to enter into executive session at 6:55 PM for the protection of the public interest or to prevent needless injury to the reputation of an individual in compliance with the law until the finish of business for a strategy session with respect to negotiations/collective bargaining.

8. Next Meeting Dates and Times

8.1. Regular meeting, January 12, 2015, 6:00 PM at the Osceola Middle/High School Media Center

9. Adjournment

To adjourn meeting at 8:22 PM Passed with a motion by Jodie Roberts and a second by John Kropatsch.

Jennifer Boruch: Yea, John Kropatsch: Yea, Jodie Roberts: Yea, Tom Schleif: Yea, Darin Sterup: Yea