

EDUCATIONAL SERVICE UNIT 17
207 N. Main St., Ainsworth, NE 69210
May 9, 2023

Present: Mark Ormesher, Jean Pinney, Gerry Carr, Roxie Lindquist, Bruce Ferguson, Lisa Chohon, Geraldine Erickson, Misty Wroblewski and Jan Foster.

Absent: Jan Knispel and Jody Dexter.

President Roxie Lindquist called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. The posting of the Open Meetings Act was acknowledged. The meeting notice was published on the ESU 17 website and on the front doors of ESU 17, Ainsworth Community Schools, Cody-Kilgore Unified School, Keya Paha County Schools, Rock County Public Schools, Valentine Community Schools and published in the Ainsworth Star Journal, Rock County Leader, Springview Herald and Valentine Midland News.

1. A motion to approve the agenda as printed was made by Mark Ormesher. Lisa Chohon seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Jan Knispel and Jody Dexter.
2. Lisa Chohon made a motion with a second from Gerry Carr to approve the absence of board members Jan Knispel and Jody Dexter. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Jan Knispel and Jody Dexter.
3. A motion to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2023, meeting was made by Lisa Chohon and seconded by Gerry Carr. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Jan Knispel and Jody Dexter.
4. A motion was made by Lisa Chohon to approve the financial statement ending April 30, 2023, with an ending balance of \$1,847,107.45. Jean Pinney seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimously approved. Absent: Jan Knispel and Jody Dexter.
5. The listing of bills and claims was reviewed. A motion to approve payment of bills and claims totaling \$342,117.58 was made by Gerry Carr and seconded by Bruce Ferguson. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Jan Knispel and Jody Dexter.
6. The building committee met at the Training Center prior to the meeting. They discussed a few improvement projects including replacing windows and repairing or replacing the sign above the front door. ALICAP will be contacted to inform them of the recent hail storm.
7. Misty Wroblewski, ESU 17 school psychologist, was present to share information on summer services provided by ESU 17 staff. Summer events planned include a mental health institute, Refine and Refocus workshop, CIP workday with Nebraska Department of Education and a literacy night involving family activities.
8. Geraldine gave a brief update on the Nebraska Legislature.

9. The closing day for ESU 17 staff will be held on Monday, May 15. The district superintendents met in April and will resume their meetings in August. New administrators will be in place in Keya Paha and Cody Kilgore schools next Fall. At the recent career fair held in Ainsworth, Geraldine spoke with students regarding the education field.
10. Jean Pinney made a motion to approve the summer contracts for ESU 17 teachers. Mark Ormesher seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Jan Knispel and Jody Dexter.
11. A motion to approve the occupational therapy contract with Inspire was made by Gerry Carr and seconded by Bruce Ferguson. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Jan Knispel and Jody Dexter.
12. Mark Ormesher made a motion with a second from Jean Pinney to approve the hire of Chelsea Hladky as a school nurse. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Jan Knispel and Jody Dexter.
13. A motion to approve the contract with Hefner Electronics was made by Lisa Chohon. Mark Ormesher seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Jan Knispel and Jody Dexter.
14. Bruce Ferguson made a motion to approve the ESU 17 service plan for 2023-2024. Mark Ormesher seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimously approved. Absent: Jan Knispel and Jody Dexter.
15. A motion to hold the next meeting on June 13, 2023, at 5:00 p.m. was made by Mark Ormesher and seconded by Jean Pinney. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Jan Knispel and Jody Dexter.
16. Motion to adjourn by Jean Pinney at 6:43 p.m.

Secretary