

EDUCATIONAL SERVICE UNIT 17
207 N. Main St., Ainsworth, NE 69210
June 13, 2023

Present: Jean Pinney, Jody Dexter, Jan Knispel, Roxie Lindquist, Gerry Carr, Geraldine Erickson and Jan Foster.

Absent: Lisa Chohon, Bruce Ferguson and Mark Ormesher.

President Roxie Lindquist called the meeting to order at 5:05 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. Jean Pinney made a motion to approve the agenda as printed. Jan Knispel seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Lisa Chohon, Bruce Ferguson and Mark Ormesher.
2. A motion to approve the absence of board members Lisa Chohon, Bruce Ferguson and Mark Ormesher was made by Jan Knispel and seconded by Gerry Carr. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Lisa Chohon, Bruce Ferguson and Mark Ormesher.
3. Jody Dexter made a motion with a second from Gerry Carr to approve the minutes of the May 9, 2023 board meeting. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Lisa Chohon, Bruce Ferguson and Mark Ormesher.
4. A motion to approve the financial statement ending May 31, 2023 with an ending balance of \$1,967,778.58 was made by Jan Knispel. Jean Pinney seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Lisa Chohon, Bruce Ferguson and Mark Ormesher.
5. The listing of bills and claims was reviewed. Gerry Carr made a motion with a second from Jody Dexter to approve payment of claims totaling \$375,791.09. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Lisa Chohon, Bruce Ferguson and Mark Ormesher.
6. Geraldine reported ESU 17 hosted a mental health institute on June 12 and MTSS Refine and Refocus on June 13. Geraldine will host a business manager training for our member schools on June 19. A NCSA 2023 Session, Legal Implications handout was shared. Jared Porter submitted a quote of \$4,060.00 to replace the 4 windows at the training center.

7. Nebraska Department of Education sent notification of approval of accreditation for ESU 17 effective July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024.
8. Jody Dexter made a motion to approve Union Bank and Trust, NFIT, NLAF, Pathway Bank, Frontier Bank, Western NE Bank, Cornerstone Bank, Tri-County Bank, Homestead Bank and the addition of any institution where an approved CD may be purchased as the 2023-2024 official depositories. Gerry Carr seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Lisa Chohon, Bruce Ferguson and Mark Ormesher.
9. Jean Pinney made a motion with a second from Jan Knispel to approve Ainsworth Star Journal, Rock County Leader, Springview Herald and Valentine Midland News as the 2023-2024 official newspapers. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Lisa Chohon, Bruce Ferguson and Mark Ormesher.
10. A motion to designate Romans, Weimer and Associates as the auditing firm for 2023-2024 was made by Jan Knispel and seconded by Jean Pinney. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Lisa Chohon, Bruce Ferguson and Mark Ormesher.
11. Jody Dexter made a motion with a second from Jan Knispel to approve payment of bills through the last day of June. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Lisa Chohon, Bruce Ferguson and Mark Ormesher.
12. A motion to approve payment of bills in the absence of a July board meeting was made by Jody Dexter and seconded by Gerry Carr. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Lisa Chohon, Bruce Ferguson and Mark Ormesher.
13. No action taken on X.F.
14. Jean Pinney made a motion to approve the hire of Todd Hatcher. Jan Knispel seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Lisa Chohon, Bruce Ferguson and Mark Ormesher.
15. A motion to hold the next meeting on August 8, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. was made by Jan Knispel and seconded by Jean Pinney. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Lisa Chohon, Bruce Ferguson and Mark Ormesher.
16. Jean Pinney made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:52 p.m.

Secretary