

EDUCATIONAL SERVICE UNIT 17
207 N. Main St., Ainsworth, NE 69210
February 14, 2023

Present in person: Jean Pinney, Gerry Carr, Jody Dexter, Lisa Chohon, Kelli Gibson, Geraldine Erickson and Jan Foster.

Present via zoom: Mark Ormesher and Jan Knispel.

Absent: Roxie Lindquist and Bruce Ferguson.

Vice President Jean Pinney called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.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. Lisa Chohon made a motion with a second from Gerry Carr to approve the agenda as printed. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Roxie Lindquist and Bruce Ferguson.
2. A motion was made by Jody Dexter to approve the absence of board members Roxie Lindquist and Bruce Ferguson. Lisa Chohon seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Roxie Lindquist and Bruce Ferguson.
3. Lisa Chohon made a motion and was seconded by Gerry Carr to approve the minutes of the January 11, 2023 meeting. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Roxie Lindquist and Bruce Ferguson.
4. Kelli Gibson, ESU 17 curriculum and instruction specialist, introduced herself to the board. Kelli shared she has been in education for 34 years. Her transition from being the MTSS Coordinator at Ainsworth Community Schools to her ESU 17 position has been interesting. She structured the 2022-23 professional learning academies for member school districts and is working with an Instruction Partners team to help build math capacity in the classrooms. Kelli is doing an on-line training to receive certification with Universal Design for Learning.
5. A motion to approve the financial statement ending January 31, 2023 with an ending balance of \$1,712,797.79 was made by Jody Dexter. Gerry Carr seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Roxie Lindquist and Bruce Ferguson.
6. The listing of bills and claims was reviewed. Lisa Chohon made a motion with a second from Gerry Carr to approve payment of bills and claims totaling \$375,963.26. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Roxie Lindquist and Bruce Ferguson.
7. Geraldine stated the administrator contract was posted on the website per the Superintendent Pay Transparency Act regulations.

8. In Geraldine's administrative report she informed board members of issues with leaks in the roof and steps that have been taken to remedy the situation. She will further research options for long-term solutions.
9. Governor Pillen has proposed legislation that could affect the TEEOSA formula. Geraldine discussed several bills that are being introduced including a bill that would increase reimbursement of special education allowable excess costs to school districts.
10. Jody Dexter and Gerry Carr signed the Code of Ethics.
11. Lisa Chohon made a motion to approve the administrative contract beginning July 1, 2023 for Geraldine Erickson. Jody Dexter seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Roxie Lindquist and Bruce Ferguson.
12. A motion to approve bills to be paid in March in the absence or delay of a meeting was made by Gerry Carr and seconded by Lisa Chohon. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Roxie Lindquist and Bruce Ferguson.
13. Jody Dexter made a motion with a second by Jan Knispel to approve the resignation of ESUCC employee Trevor Paschall. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Roxie Lindquist and Bruce Ferguson.
14. A motion to approve membership in NASB was made by Gerry Carr. Mark Ormesher seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Roxie Lindquist and Bruce Ferguson.
15. The next meeting will be held on March 14, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. at the Ainsworth administrative office and via zoom.
16. Jean Pinney made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:52 a.m.

Secretary