

EDUCATIONAL SERVICE UNIT 17  
207 N. Main St. – Ainsworth, NE 69210  
October 11, 2024

Present: Jan Knispel, Mark Ormesher, Gerry Carr, Jean Pinney, Roxie Lindquist, Lisa Chohon, Connie Lentz, Geraldine Erickson, and Marit Kaiser

Absent: Bruce Ferguson and Jody Dexter

President Mark Ormesher 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 Schools, 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: Bruce Ferguson and Jody Dexter.
2. Roxie Lindquist made a motion with a second from Jean Pinney to approve the minutes of the September 10, 2024, meeting. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Bruce Ferguson and Jody Dexter.
3. A motion was made by Lisa Chohon to approve the hiring of Mindy Reed, ESUCC Administrative Assistant. Gerry Carr seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Bruce Ferguson and Jody Dexter.
4. Jan Knispel made a motion with a second from Roxie Lindquist to approve the September 30, 2024, financial report with an ending balance of \$1,863,968.08. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Bruce Ferguson and Jody Dexter.
5. The listing of bills and claims was reviewed. Gerry Carr made a motion with a second from Jan Knispel to approve payment of claims totaling \$501,968.79. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Bruce Ferguson and Jody Dexter.
6. A discussion was led by Geraldine regarding the Administrator Report. The Regional Symposium, SPED financials, parking spot rental, and the use of Inspire OT services were talked about. Also discussed was Lisa's resignation from the board in November.

7. Insurance information should be available by the end of October for the negotiations committee.
8. A motion was made by Gerry Carr to accept the administrator's evaluation results. Roxie Lindquist seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Bruce Ferguson and Jody Dexter.
9. Lisa Chohon made a motion with a second from Jan Knispel to approve the OT agreement with Inspire Rehabilitation. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Bruce Ferguson and Jody Dexter.
10. Roxie Lindquist made a motion to accept the resignation of Lisa Chohon from the board effective November 11<sup>th</sup>. Jan Knispel seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Lisa Chohon abstained. Absent: Bruce Ferguson and Jody Dexter.
11. Jean Pinney made a motion to pay bills and claims in the absence of a November meeting. Gerry Carr seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Bruce Ferguson and Jody Dexter.
12. Jan Knispel made a motion with second from Lisa Chohon to approve the absence of Bruce Ferguson and Jody Dexter. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Bruce Ferguson and Jody Dexter.
13. The next Board Meeting will be held November 12<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.
14. Jean Pinney made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:57 a.m.

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Secretary