

EDUCATIONAL SERVICE UNIT 17
207 N. Main St., Ainsworth, NE 69210
April 11, 2023

Present in person: Jean Pinney, Roxie Lindquist, Lisa Chohon, Mark Ormesher, Gerry Carr (10:02 a.m.), Bruce Ferguson (10:05 a.m.), Geraldine Erickson and Jan Foster.

Present via zoom: Jody Dexter and Rachel Schumacher.

Absent: Jan Knispel.

President Roxie Lindquist 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. A motion to approve the agenda as printed was made by Lisa Chohon and seconded by Mark Ormesher. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Jan Knispel, Gerry Carr and Bruce Ferguson.
2. Lisa Chohon made a motion with a second from Jean Pinney to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2023 meeting. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Jan Knispel and Bruce Ferguson.
3. Jean Pinney made a motion to approve the absence of board member Jan Knispel. Mark Ormesher seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Jan Knispel.
4. A motion was made by Mark Ormesher to approve the financial statement ending March 31, 2023 with an ending balance of \$1,797,621.04. Gerry Carr seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Jan Knispel.
5. The listing of bills and claims was reviewed. A motion to approve payment of bills and claims totaling \$351,428.55 was made by Lisa Chohon and seconded by Gerry Carr. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Jan Knispel.
6. Geraldine distributed Nebraska Department of Revenue's projections for 2022-2023 property tax valuations. She has no news to report from the Nebraska Legislature. An estimate from Weathercraft Company for \$13,900 was received for roofing repairs. Geraldine would like the building committee to look at the Training Center windows and signage which was damaged by ice. Office Products has provided a quote of \$8,495 for a new copier machine. She received a resignation from Leanne Maxwell effective the end of the school year.
7. Rachel Schumacher, ESU 17 occupational therapist, introduced herself to the board members. She has been serving ESU 17 school districts since the 2019- 2020 school year. She elaborated on the differences between the medical and educational aspects of occupational therapy. She

enjoys the opportunity to provide children and teachers with resources allowing the students to stay in their classrooms.

8. Jody Dexter made a motion with a second from Gerry Carr to raise the restricted fund portion of the 2023-2024 general fund budget by 1% over the restricted fund portion of the 2022-2023 general fund budget of ESU 17 as allowed by state statute 13-519. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Jan Knispel.
9. Gerry Carr made a motion to accept the resignation of Leanne Maxell. The motion was seconded by Lisa Chohon. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Jan Knispel.
10. A motion to hold the May meeting on May 9, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. was made by Mark Ormesher and seconded by Bruce Ferguson. Roll call vote was unanimous. Absent: Jan Knispel.
11. Jean Pinney made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:53 a.m.

Secretary