

The Board of Education of the Hitchcock County Schools met February 8, 2016 at the Hitchcock County Elementary School in Culbertson. Present were board members Marks, Rippen, Matson, Baker, Kolbet, and Scott. Also present were Superintendent Apple, Principal Kershaw, the Hitchcock County News, one guest, and Peggy Fyn.

President Scott called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM. Notice of the board's adherence to the Nebraska Open Meetings Law posted on the north wall of the meeting room was given.

Moved by Baker; seconded by Matson to approve the February 2016 Regular Meeting Agenda as presented. Aye votes Marks, Scott, Matson, Rippen, Baker, and Kolbet; nay votes none.

President Scott welcomed visitors.

Moved by Matson; seconded by Marks to approve the consent agenda. Aye votes Scott, Matson, Rippen, Baker, Kolbet, and Marks; nay votes none. The consent agenda consisted of the following: (1) Minutes of the January 2016 regular board meeting. (2) The Activity Fund. (3) The bill rosters with general fund bills totaling \$300,769.26 and lunch fund bills totaling \$16,439.25. (4) Other funds.

Moved by Baker; seconded by Rippen to approve Distance Education services with ESU #16 for \$23,000 for the 2016-2017 school year. Aye votes Matson, Rippen, Baker, Kolbet, Marks, and Scott; nay votes none.

Superintendent Apple presented the board with a contract for Katelyn Sughroue for the Vo-Ag position. Moved by Kolbet; seconded by Baker to accept a contract for Katelyn Sughroue for the Vo-Ag position for the 2016-2017 school year. Aye votes Rippen, Baker, Kolbet, Marks, Scott, and Matson; nay votes none.

Board members reviewed a format for a superintendent contract. There was discussion and changes made to the format. Moved by Rippen; seconded by Kolbet to approve the format of the superintendent contract as amended. Aye votes Baker, Kolbet, Marks, Scott, Matson, and Rippen; nay votes none.

Moved by Marks; seconded by Rippen to amend the 2016-2017 Negotiated Agreement Appendix B to include FFA starting at .095 of the base salary for FFA extra duty. Aye votes Kolbet, Marks, Scott, Matson, Rippen, and Baker; nay votes none.

Board member Rippen gave a report on the Legislative Issues Conference he attended January 31<sup>st</sup> & February 1<sup>st</sup>.

Principal/AD Kershaw's report as follows: (1) A report on the January 18<sup>th</sup> PLC in-service that teachers attended. (2) NeSA writing testing for 4<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 11<sup>th</sup> grades has been completed. (3) RPAC Vocal Clinic is February 8<sup>th</sup>. (4) District wrestling is February 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>. (5) Girls basketball sub-districts will start February 16<sup>th</sup>. (6) The spelling bee will be February 17<sup>th</sup> at 1 PM in Palisade. (7) RPAC Speech meet is February 17<sup>th</sup> at Southwest High School. (8) There will be no school February 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>.

Superintendent Apple's report as follow: (1) Legislative Issues Conference report. (2) Parent-teachers conferences will be March 15<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>. (3) There will be an Educators Forum February 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>. (4) A thank you to Tommy Anderson and Kent Grafel for helping with snow removal at the schools. (5) Five snow days have been used. (6) A thank you to Aaron Kolbet for moving gravel around at the elementary playground.

President Scott adjourned the meeting at 1:14 PM. The next board meeting will be held on March 14, 2016 at 7:00 PM, at the Hitchcock County Junior/Senior High School. The agenda kept continuously current is available to the public in the school office during normal hours. The board may modify the agenda within 24 hours of the meeting for items of an emergency nature. The meeting is open to the public.

Craig Scott, President

Michael Baker, Secretary

## General Fund bills

20/20 Technologies – contracted services	3,164.00
Aflac – payroll deduction	233.45
American Family Ins Co – payroll deduction	1,301.05
Ameritas Life Ins Corp – payroll deduction	339.31
Awards Unlimited – track medals/plaque	635.50
Blue Cross Blue Shield – health insurance	38,402.96
Brooklyn Publishers – classroom supply	16.25
C-Clear Ice – ice	35.00
Colonial Life – payroll deduction	521.80
Community First Bank – FICA, taxes	38,192.61
Conference Technologies – smartboard parts	418.62
Culbertson Auto Body – windshield	316.95
D&L Pest Control – pest control	97.00
Daktronics – scoreboard antenna	65.00
Dans R Us – trash	154.50
Diamond Vogel – paint	246.50
Eakes Office Solutions – office/board supply	83.96
ECTS – E-rate services	875.87
Electric Specialties – battery	68.99
ESU #15 – contracted services/workshop	13,996.50
ESU #16 – contracted services	182.50
Farmers Coop – bus/building fuel	7,296.07
Follett School Solutions – library books	1,229.25
Graham Tire Kearney – bus tires	733.92
Great Plains Communications – phone bill	189.74
HCHS Petty Cash – reimbursements	1,166.85
HCS – payroll deduction	220.00
HCS Flex Plan – contributions	1,488.35
Credit Management Services – payroll deduction	46.18
Hot Lunch Fund – lunch bills/reimbursement	1,723.49
Ideal Laundry – custodial supply	66.70
JMGR Financial – payroll deduction	45.51
KSB School Law – contract format	500.00
Lakeside Sand & Gravel – parking lot gravel	588.69
Legal Shield – payroll deduction	159.43
Lewis Motor Sports – building supply	650.00
Lou’s Sporting Goods – athletic supply	228.05
Danielle McCauley – cheerleading sponsorship	655.00
MCI – long distance	75.80
MG Trust Co – annuities	3,164.54
NASB – board conference fees	365.00
Nebraska Air Filters – filters	746.38
HCS Retirement Acct – retirement	31,704.07
NE Department of Revenue – state taxes	4,844.08
NRCSA – contracted service	2,500.00
New York Life Ins Co – payroll deduction	47.00
O/Brien Electric – electric work	344.00
Optum Health – FSA fees	150.00
Pitsco – shop supply	75.00
Prairie States Communications – bus radios	413.70

Principal Life Ins Co – disability insurance	712.90
Public Risk Management – bond	100.00
Quill Corp – office supply/equipment/board supply	392.82
R&W Repair – bus fuel/parts/labor	1,178.36
Rasmussen Mechanical Service – heat exchanger	4,903.00
Schmicks Market – RPAC wrestling	63.85
Scoop Media – ads/printing	174.15
Southwest Fertilizer – bus/building fuel	4,731.38
Southwest Public Power District – electric	2,486.41
Splash Designz – letterhead	308.86
Stamp Fulfillment Center – stamped envelopes	1,187.40
NE State Education Association – dues	1,304.05
The Cornhusker – conference lodging	105.00
The Thompson Co – custodial supply	402.07
Titan Machinery – bus repairs	8,974.39
Top Office – copiers	609.74
Trails West – bus fuel	1,628.29
UniFirst Corp – custodial supply	123.52
U.S. Bank – credit card charges	301.02
Village of Culbertson – water/sewage	97.15
Village of Trenton – water/sewage/electric/trash	2,178.30
Weathercraft Companies – garage door repairs	440.50
Payroll – net (gross - \$166,177.73)	107,601.57

#### Lunch fund bills

Cash-Wa Distributing – food/supply	3,449.48
Colonial Life – payroll deduction	64.81
Community First Bank – FICA, taxes	1,134.35
Culligan Water Conditioning – salt	59.82
Dean Holding Co – milk	1,404.46
Food Distribution Program – commodities	561.38
Credit Management Services – payroll deduction	3.82
Hot Lunch Fund – lunch bills	4.76
Ideal Laundry – kitchen supply	78.17
JMGR Financial – payroll deduction	140.92
MG Trust Company – annuities	85.00
HCS Retirement Acct – retirement	1,115.90
NE Department of Revenue – state taxes	84.34
Schmicks Market – food	145.02
School Nutrition Association – membership/certificate	57.50
The Thompson Co – food/supply	3,565.85
Payroll – net (gross - \$6,085.80)	4,443.67