

The Board of Education of the Hitchcock County Schools met March 13, 2017 at the Hitchcock County Junior/Senior High School in Trenton. Present were board members: Scott, Marks, Kolbet, Baker, Rippen, and O'Byrne. Also present were Superintendent Sattler, Principal Kershaw, two staff members, and Peggy Fyn.

President Scott called the meeting to order at 7:00 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 Rippen; seconded by Baker to approve the March 2017 regular meeting agenda as presented. Aye votes Marks, Scott, O'Byrne, Rippen, Baker, and Kolbet; nay votes none.

President Scott welcomed all visitors.

President Scott asked for check 26116 (Nebraska Association of School Boards) to be removed from the consent agenda and attached to action item 3. Moved by Rippen; seconded by Baker to approve the consent agenda with the exclusion of check 26116. Aye votes Scott, O'Byrne, Rippen, Baker, Kolbet, and Marks; nay votes none. The consent agenda consisted of the following items: (1) Minutes of the February 2017 regular board meeting. (2) The Activity Fund. (3) The bill rosters with general fund bills totaling \$329,924.21 and lunch fund bills totaling \$20,864.93. (4) Other funds.

Moved by Rippen; seconded by O'Byrne to approve a contract with Joy Farr for the 9-12 English teaching position for the 2017-2018 school year. Aye votes O'Byrne, Rippen, Baker, Kolbet, Marks, and Scott; nay votes none. The board asked Superintendent Sattler to invite Mrs. Farr to a board meeting so that they may meet her.

Moved by Baker; seconded by Marks to approve the Nebraska Association of School Boards 2017-2018 membership for \$3,371.00 (check 26116). Aye votes Rippen, Baker, Kolbet, Marks, Scott, and O'Byrne; nay votes none.

Moved by Rippen, seconded by Baker to approve the following reduction in force resolution:

WHEREAS, the board of education is committed to providing the students and patrons of the Hitchcock County Public School District with an educational program that is of high quality and efficient; and

WHEREAS, the board of education believes that the school district may provide some education programs on a reduced basis:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that, beginning with the 2017-2018 school year, the programs listed below be reduced by the full-time equivalent (FTE) percentage set out below; that the staff be reduced by the full-time equivalent percent listed below; that the superintendent of schools make necessary assignments and reassignments; and that the superintendent notify the persons affected by the reductions:

Program to Be Reduced

FTE Reduction

Library/Media/Technology

From 1.0 FTE to .5 FTE

After the above resolution was read, board member Rippen moved for its passage. Member Baker seconded the motion. After discussion and on roll call vote, the following board members voted in favor of the motion: Scott, O'Byrne, Rippen, Baker, Kolbet, Marks. The following board members voted against the motion: none. The following board members did not vote: none.

A majority of a quorum of the board having consented to the resolution, the president declared it adopted. Dated this 13th day of March, 2017. BY Craig Scott, President, Board of Education. ATTEST Michael Baker, Secretary, Board of Education

Moved by Baker; seconded by Marks to move into executive session to discuss the renewal of superintendent Sattler's contract at 7:13 PM. Aye votes Baker, Kolbet, Rippen, Marks, Scott, and O'Byrne; nay votes none.

Moved by Kolbet; seconded by Marks to move out of executive session at 7:37 PM. Aye votes Kolbet, Rippen, Marks, Scott, O'Byrne, and Baker; nay votes none.

Moved by Rippen; seconded by Kolbet to renew Superintendent Sattler’s contract to the 2018-2019 school year and a \$3000 raise for the 2017-2018 school year. Aye votes Baker, Kolbet, Marks, Scott, O’Byrne, and Rippen; nay votes none.

Committee reports as follows: The transportation committee consisting of Scott, Rippen, and Kolbet met with Dave Wimer and Mr. Sattler to discuss transportation needs. Mr. Wimer is seeking proposals on an activity bus. The committee is also looking at replacing an old route bus with a smaller, 28 passenger bus, using the Van Hool as a trade in. Transportation will be on the April agenda.

Principal/AD Kershaw’s report as follows: (1) Recognition of Ms. Unger, Pre-school teacher, for being awarded the High Plains Early Childhood “Above and Beyond” Award. (2) Parent-teacher conferences will be held March 14th & 16th from 4-8 PM. (3) There will be staff development on March 17th from 8 AM to 12 PM. There will be no students that day. (4) Recognition of 4th grader Nathan Kollmorgen’s winning poster in the Nebraska 811 Pirate Adventure Poster contest. (5) The 5th & 6th grade students will participate in a Healthy Food Day program on March 29th. (6) Spring sports practices are underway. There are 37 students out for track and 11 students out for golf. (7) Thank you to the staff of both sites for helping with the RPAC Speech meet and Spelling Bee. (8) RPAC Speech results: Mattie Windholz & Jo McCauley placed 5th in Duet Acting. Mattie Windholz placed 2nd in Serious Prose. (9) District Speech results: Tara Oberg received 3rd place in Persuasive and Mattie Windholz received 2nd in Serious. Both students will be attending the state speech contest on March 24th in Kearney.

Superintendent Sattler’s report as follows: (1) Parent-teacher conferences will be held March 14th & 16th from 4-8 PM. (2) There will be an in-service at the high school on March 17th in the AM. (3) Thank you to the shop students, Dave Wimer, and Tom Lewis for all their help in removing the bleachers from the high school gym. The tiles have been removed and will be replaced. The walls have been painted. There will be a minor repair done to a section of the floor and wiring will be done. Mrs. Thiessen and some of her art students are painting a new falcon on the east wall. (4) Will be getting an estimate on replacing the gym lights at the high school. (5) Will be getting an estimate on an underground sprinkler system for the football field. (6) The tech committee will meet March 31st. Proposals for Chromebooks and the computer labs have been asked for. (7) The school district will be switching from Sycamore to Infinite Campus by the next school year. (8) Mr. Kershaw, Ms. McCarter, Mr. Rahrs, and Ms. Upton will be attending an AQuESTT conference in Kearney, April 9th & 10th.

President Scott adjourned the meeting at 8:01 PM. The next board meeting will be held on April 10, 2017 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	260.38
American Family Insurance Co – payroll deduction	1,706.84
Apple, Inc – laptop	1,049.00
Arctic Glacier USA – ice	40.00
Awards Unlimited – sports medals	981.62
Bentley & Kisker – audit	5,929.00
Blue Cross Blue Shield – health insurance	41,644.20
Bosselman Energy – bus/building fuel	3,163.72
Colonial Life – payroll deduction	192.17
Comfort Inn – state wrestling lodging	1,199.00

Community First Bank – FICA, taxes	43,021.01
Computer Informations Concepts – Infinite Campus	12,947.00
D&L Pes Control – pest control	107.00
Dans R Us – trash	154.50
Eakes Office Solutions – copier	432.68
Electrical Engineering & Equipment – building supply	501.20
ESU #15 – contracted services	15,633.13
ESU #16 – contracted services	180.60
Farmers Coop – building/bus fuel	5,947.05
Follett School Solutions – library books	479.37
Great Plains Communications – phone bill/internet	1,199.29
Harco Athletic Reconditioning – helmet reconditioning	2,036.90
HCHS Petty Cash – reimbursements	368.34
HCS – payroll deduction	445.00
HCS Flex Plan – contributions	1,651.68
Hot Lunch Fund – lunch payments	1,700.80
Ideal Laundry – custodial supply	111.04
JMGR Financial – payroll deduction	15.93
Kildare Lumber – classroom equipment	252.12
KSB School Law – legal services	224.00
Lakeside Sand & Gravel – athletic supply	369.12
Legal Shield – payroll deduction	133.53
Lou’s Sporting Goods – track equipment	647.31
Maris General Construction – bus barn door repairs	1,689.24
MCI – long distance	68.98
MG Trust Company – annuities	4,668.47
NASB – membership dues	3,371.00
NCSA – AQuESTT Data Conference Registration	375.00
HCS Retirement Acct – retirement	33,284.98
NE Safety Center – Level I course	150.00
NE Department of Revenue – state taxes	5,473.04
CHI Health St Elizabeth – JR High concussion tests	130.00
NRCSA – Spring Conference Registration	380.00
New York Life Ins Co – payroll deduction	47.00
Optum Health – FSA fees	150.00
Orscheln Farm & Home – custodial equipment	57.45
Principal Life Ins Co – disability	793.96
Quill Corporation – guidance/office supply	413.49
R&W Repair – fuel/parts/labor	813.48
Scoop Media – ads/printing	115.16
Shoutpoint – all-call services	1,190.00
Southwest Public Power District – electric	2,460.40
The Thompson Co – custodial supply	440.90
Trails West – bus fuel	1,906.02
UniFirst Corporation - custodial supply	142.04
U.S. Bank – credit card	1,492.30
Village of Culbertson – water/sewage	96.41
Village of Trenton – water/sewage/electric/trash	2,333.35
Vision Service Plan – payroll deduction	274.44
Payroll – net (gross - \$184,212.99)	119,718.57

Lunch Fund bills

Aflac – payroll deduction	2.36
Cash-Wa Distributing – food/supply	3,646.10
Colonial Life – payroll deduction	68.28
Community First Bank – FICA, taxes	1,316.84
Computer Informations Concepts – Infinite Campus	644.00
Culligan Water Conditioning – salt	115.80
Dean Holding Co – milk	1,840.61
Food Distribution Program – commodities	863.20
HCHS Petty Cash – reimbursement	29.92
Hot Lunch Fund – lunch bills	4.10
Ideal Laundry – kitchen supply	127.44
JMGR Financial – payroll deduction	171.12
MG Trust Company – annuity	100.00
HCS Retirement Acct – retirement	1,338.58
NE Department of Revenue – state taxes	106.67
Northwestern Fire Extinguisher – hood system service	174.50
myONcore.com – software subscription renewal	999.00
Schmicks Market – food	111.97
The Thompson Co – food/supply	4,252.37
Vision Service Plan – payroll deduction	.81
Payroll – net (gross - \$6,867.50)	4,951.26