

Communications: The Board received a complimentary letter from one of the members of QAR Visitation Team.

Patron comments: Susan Schauer addressed the Board in reference to having Foreign Exchange Students participate in the Ord High School graduation ceremony and stated that she supports such participation. Secondary Principal Hagge explained the requirements for participation and led discussion on this issue.

Standing Committees: Building and Grounds Chairman Marty Petska reported that the committee had met and discussed the need to continue to address the Fire and ADA code compliance issues. The committee took no action.

Negotiations Chairman Bill Ziegler reported that the committee had attended the NASB Labor Relations Conference in Kearney.

Superintendent Kroger, and board members Kim Radil and Lonny Clausen attended the Legislative Issues Conference held in Lincoln.

Principals, Counselors, District Committees: Technology Coordinator Mike Bechtold presented a proposal to enter into a PC Computer Lease Program for the district. Bechtold handed out a proposal summary and discussed the pros & cons of PC's vs MAC's. The lease program would allow the district to acquire 80 new computers for the District.

Mr. Bechtold, Head Boys Basketball Coach, also addressed the Board concerning Varsity Basketball Gym time. He handed out a comparison listing of LouPlatte Schools gym practice times. He then led discussion on the problems incurred concerning the amount of time that each team is allowed to practice in the gym vs other conference schools.

Elementary Principal Steve Dennis updated the Board on the New Beginnings Preschool program. He also reported that 6th Grade Teacher Rich Cecetka and 5th Grade Teacher Tonna Drudik participated in an NASA Learning Program. The Elementary Standards Committee is working to realign the elementary curriculum to better reflect with the newly revised state standards.

Secondary Principal Mark Hagge reported that the Ord High Speech Invite held last Saturday, January 31, 2009 was attended by 23 schools; Issues with ADA accessibility have been encountered by students/patrons in the high school building; Ord High School will be the site for District Speech on March 3, 2009 and the jr-sr high school students will be dismissed at 1:00 p.m.; NDE will be broadcasting a webinar concerning new statewide testing and assessment procedures.

President Ziegler presented the standing committees for 2009 as follows: Activities Committee: Kruml-Chairman, Ziegler, Clausen; Curriculum/Americanism: Radil-Chairman, Clausen, Blaha; Building & Grounds: Petska-Chairman, Kruml, Ziegler; Finance: Blaha-Chairman, Petska, Radil; Negotiations: Ziegler-Chairman, Kruml, Blaha; Transportation: Clausen-Chairman, Radil, Petska.

Moved by Kruml, seconded by Petska to approve the ESU #10 Special Education Contracts for 2009-2010 as presented. Voting yes: Ziegler, Clausen, Kruml, Blaha, Petska, and Radil. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Petska, seconded by Kruml to accept the resignation of 3rd grade teacher Mary Molle effective at the end of the 2008-09 school year. Voting yes: Ziegler, Clausen, Kruml, Blaha, Petska, and Radil. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Superintendent Kroger reported as follows:

- a. Legislative Report – Updated the Board on the main bills being considered in the legislature that affect education.
- b. NRCSA Convention – This convention will be held in Kearney on March 26-27, 2009.
- c. NRCSA Legislative Forum – This forum will be held in Lincoln on March 2, 2009.
- d. State Aid Pre-Certification Factors for 2009-2010 – LB61 has delayed State Aid certification until April 1st, due to the legislature looking for ways to cut approximately \$120,000,000 out of the total state aid package.
- e. School Facility Update – Led discussion concerning design changes. We have not received any cost estimates from the architects. We are continuing to work on the State Fire Marshall compliance issues.

Moved by Clausen, seconded by Petska to go into executive session at 8:45 p.m. for the purpose of discussing personnel issues. Voting yes: Ziegler, Clausen, Kruml, Blaha, Petska, and Radil. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Petska, seconded by Blaha to come out of executive session and reconvene the public meeting at 9:35 p.m. Voting yes: Ziegler, Clausen, Kruml, Blaha, Petska, and Radil. Voting no: None. Motion carried.

Moved by Kruml, seconded by Clausen to adjourn the meeting at 9:36 p.m. Voting yes: Ziegler, Clausen, Kruml, Markowski, Blaha, and Petska. Voting no: None. Motion Carried.

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the proceedings had and done by the Ord School District; that all of the subjects included in the foregoing proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the Office of the School District Superintendent; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to said meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public, that the said minutes were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting.



Tom Kruml, Secretary
Ord Board of Education