

Elba Public School Board
March 13, 2023
Regular Monthly Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Terry Spilinek. The next board meeting will be April 10, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. President Spilinek stated that the meeting was in compliance with the Nebraska Open Meetings Act as posted in the room and Christensen read the publication of the meeting. Roll call of members present: Terry Spilinek, Robyn Rasmussen, Sara Roy, Jim Thompson, Brittany Christensen, Tracy Usasz. Others present included: Superintendent Allison Pritchard, Principal Michael Collett and members of the public.

Motion by Roy, seconded by Thompson to approve the agenda with the following modifications: add discussion items 10. National Anthem etiquette at Games and 11. Open Meetings Law. Yes – Roy, Christensen, Rasmussen, Spilinek, Usasz, Thompson. No – 0. Motion carried 6 – 0.

The board heard a Celebration of Excellence for the great success of Read Across America. The students exceeded their reading goal and were excited to slime the principals on Friday, February 24. PTO Family Math Night was also a great success with an estimated 40 people in attendance. The Jr. High track team has 16 athletes that will compete and their first meet is April 7th, High School has 17 track members and their first meet is March 21st in Central City. Donna Wratten applied through the ESUCC GEER request process for robotic kits. The kits are 100% funded and will be used to start our robotic and STEM opportunities for HAL students in 6-12 grades. The HAL students have had some great experiences this year, including a cooking class for Thanksgiving lunch and creating t-shirts at the Grand Island Library. Future activities for HAL students include the Mobile Beef Lab, a trip to Omaha and possible a trip to Ashfalls for the elementary.

Public comments were heard.

The AD, Superintendent and Principal reports were given. Board committee reports were also given.

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Christensen to approve items on the consent agenda including Minutes from the regular meeting held February 19, the Monthly Financial report and Payment of the Bills including payroll in the amount of \$233,649.30. Yes – Roy, Spilinek, Usasz, Thompson, Christensen, Rasmussen. No – 0. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Motion by Roy, seconded by Usasz to go into Executive Session to discuss yearbook procedures. Yes – Spilinek, Rasmussen, Thompson, Christensen, Usasz, Roy. No – 0. Motion carried 6 – 0. President Spilinek declared the board in Executive Session at 7:32 p.m. With no action being taken, President Spilinek declared the board out of Executive Session at 7:46 p.m.

The Board received information on the following discussion items: Yearbook procedures, 2023-2024 Coaches, Certification of State Aid & Budget Factors, Hudl, Agriculture Teacher, Resignation, District Calendar, School Property mowing/fertilizing bid, Principal Contract, National Anthem Etiquette at Games, and Open Meetings Law.

Motion by Roy, seconded by Thompson to approve Cheyenne Harms, Agriculture teacher contract for the 2023-2024 school year. Yes – Christensen, Usasz, Thompson, Spilinek, Rasmussen, Roy. No – 0. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Motion by Usasz with regrets, seconded by Rasmussen to approve Elaine Blum's resignation from her 2nd grade position at the end of the 2022-2023 contract year. Yes – Usasz, Roy, Rasmussen, Christensen, Thompson, Spilinek. No – 0. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Usasz to approve the 2023-2024 district calendar as presented. Yes – Thompson, Roy, Usasz, Rasmussen, Christensen, Spilinek. No – 0. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Roy to approve the B-line Mowing bid proposal in the amount of \$350 for the school grounds and \$150 for the football field per mowing. Yes – Usasz, Roy, Rasmussen, Christensen, Thompson, Spilinek. No – 0. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Motion by Rasmussen, seconded by Roy to approve the Buller Designs LLC bid proposal in the amount of \$2,584.62 annually. Yes – Rasmussen, Spilinek, Christensen, Roy, Thompson, Usasz. No – 0. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Motion by Thompson, seconded by Usasz to approve the 7-12 Principal contract for Mr. Michael Collett for the 2023-2024 school year. Yes – Spilinek, Roy, Usasz, Thompson, Christensen, Rasmussen. No – 0. Motion carried 6 – 0.

Motion by Roy, seconded by Rasmussen to go into executive session to discuss access to security cameras. Yes – Spilinek, Rasmussen, Thompson, Christensen, Usasz, Roy. No – 0. Motion carried 6 – 0. President Spilinek declared the Board in executive session at 8:38 p.m. With no action being taken, President Spilinek declared the Board out of executive session at 9:18 p.m.

Motion by Usasz, seconded by Thompson to adjourn. Yes – Rasmussen, Spilinek, Christensen, Roy, Thompson, Usasz. No – 0. Motion carried 6 - 0.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:19 p.m.

Robyn Rasmussen
Board Secretary