

## **Sandhills Public Schools**

Minutes of Regular Meeting July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024 High School Lecture Hall  
Dunning, NE 7:00 p.m.

“The mission of Sandhills Public Schools is to provide quality education in a safe, respectful, equitable and inclusive environment to develop productive citizens for an ever-changing global society.”

### **Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting**

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
  - a. Open Meetings Act – Posted in the meeting room
  - b. Per Board Policy 204.08, reasonable advanced notification was made of the meeting
  - c. The Board of Education reserved the right to enter into Executive Session for the protection of the public interest; or the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual, and if the individual has not requested a public meeting.

### 3. Attendance

All board members were present: Tedd Teahon, present; Jeff Martindale, present; Michelle Milleson, present; Rory Zutavern, present; Tyson Cox, present; Reed Larsen, present. Also present were Superintendent Jamie Isom and Principal Patrick Recoy. There were three members of the public in attendance.

### 4. Consent agenda

- a. Approve the minutes of the June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 regular board meeting
- b. Approve the agenda of current meeting
- c. Approve the Financial Report
- d. Approve the payment of bills
- e. Excuse Absent Board Members: No Absences.
- f. Verification of Publication of minutes and meeting notices in the Thomas County Herald including June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Regular Board meeting minutes and notice of the July 8, 2024 Regular Meeting

minutes.

Motion to approve the consent agenda made by Tyson Cox seconded by Michelle Milleson. Voting Aye Larsen, Cox, Martindale, Milleson, Zutavern, and Teahon. Voting Nay – none. Motion passed.

5. Requests to address the board.

The board sets aside time to hear comments or concerns from patrons that have been addressed through the proper procedure, policies, and administrative channels. There were no requests to address the board.

6. Discussion Items/Administrative Report:

a. Sandhills-Thedford Coop Report

Dr. Isom reported that she and Mr. Recoy had met with administration from Thedford and plan to hold regular planning meetings throughout the year. She also updated them on changes in the Activities Position at Thedford and recommendations for assistant volleyball coaching assignments. A meeting of the Coop Committee will be scheduled in the very near future.

b. Door replacement at the high school and Facilities Update –Proposal for replacement of the front door at the high school is included in the action items.

c. Transportation Discussion – Dr. Isom will continue to gather information regarding update of the coach bus. Bus routes for 2024-2025 are included as an action item, with proposed changes including a central pickup location in Brewster.

d. Report on Facilities - Mr. Recoy and Dr. Isom updated the board on progress with plumbing projects in the new building. Mr. Teahon shared information about a product that may be used to help solve the concerns with uneven floor levels.

c. Financial Update and Budget Planning – Signatory cards will be completed in the near future to include new superintendent. Budget planning and preparation for 2024-2025 is underway. Dr. Isom would like to hold a budget work-session at a later time, prior to budget approval.

- d. Policy Update – Policies 502.03 Entrance – Admissions; 504.11 Weapons, 605.07 Part Time Enrollment, 611.07 Graduation Requirements, 905.04 Emergency Response Mapping. These policies were carried over from the prior month for approval based on questions raised at the June Regular Board Meeting. Approval of review and revisions of these policies are included as action items.
- e. Personnel- Accept resignation of Ann Collier effective July 31, 2024. Mrs. Collier has submitted a letter of resignation and acceptance of that resignation is part of the action items.
- f. Resolution for mandatory professional development related to Board Policy 409.01. Approval of the resignation is included in action items of the current agenda.
- g. Consideration of a Facility Use Policy – Dr. Isom asked if the board was interested in the development of facility use guidelines and/or policy.
- h. Resolution for Mandatory Professional Development (related to policy 409.01) – Plan for professional development is outlined in the resolution. The district plans to utilize Vector Solutions/Safe Schools, and online format to provide a considerable amount of the training. Training done in this way is documented and can be assigned throughout the school year.
- h. Consideration of SPARQ Data Systems. SPARQ is an online tool to manage and store board agenda information. Dr. Isom will gather additional information.
- i. Website/Social Media platforms – Dr. Isom shared that she is gathering information relating to updating the website and social media platforms that has potential to streamline the availability of information for both the school and other users.
- i. Activities Director Report – An additional regular report will be available in coming months.
- j. Principals Report – Mr. Recoy will be providing a written report for each board meeting. He shared that he and other staff have attended multiple trainings, and are preparing for the upcoming school year.
- k. Superintendent Plan – Dr. Isom shared that she will be attending trainings in the near future, planning and preparing for the 2024-

2025 budget, and work with others towards finalization of the building project.

## 7. Business/Action Items

- a. Review, consider, and take all necessary action to approve the proposal from Larry's Glass for front door replacement in the amount of \$24,270.00 for the high school.

Motion to approve the proposal from Larry's Glass for replacement of the high school front door made by Jeff Martindale seconded by Reed Larsen.

Voting Aye Larsen, Cox, Martindale, Milleson, Zutavern, and Teahon.

Voting Nay – none. Motion passed.

- b. Review, consider, and take all necessary action to approve bus routes for the 2024-2025 school year.

Motion to approve the bus routes for the 2024-2025 school year including providing one stop in Brewster with pickup at the community center made by Rory Zutavern seconded by Michelle Milleson. Voting Aye Larsen, Cox, Martindale, Milleson, Zutavern, and Teahon. Voting Nay – none. Motion passed.

- c. Approve Dr. Isom as the authorized representative of the Sandhills district state and federal programs.

Motion to approve the Dr. Isom as the authorized representative of the Sandhills district for state and federal programs for the 2024-2025 school year by Tyson Cox seconded by Jeff Martindale. Voting Aye Larsen, Cox, Martindale, Milleson, Zutavern, and Teahon. Voting Nay – none. Motion passed.

- d. Review, consider, and take action to approve the amended policies: 504.11, Weapons, 605.07 Part-time Enrollment

Motion to approve board policies 504.11 Weapons and 605.07 Part-Time Enrollment made by Michelle Milleson seconded by Reed Larsen.

Voting Aye Larsen, Cox, Martindale, Milleson, Zutavern, and Teahon.

Voting Nay – none. Motion passed.

- e. Review, consider, and take all necessary action to approve the second

and final reading of policy 905.04 Emergency Response Mapping. Motion to approve final reading of Board Policy 905.04 Emergency Response Mapping made by Rory Zutavern seconded by Tyson Cox. Voting Aye Larsen, Cox, Martindale, Milleson, Zutavern, and Teahon. Voting Nay – none. Motion passed.

- f. Review, consider and take all action to accept the resignation of Ann Collier

Motion to accept the resignation of Ann Collier effective July 31, 2024 made by Jeff Martindale seconded by Michelle Milleson. Voting Aye Larsen, Cox, Martindale, Milleson, Zutavern, and Teahon. Voting Nay – none. Motion passed.

- g. Approve resolution for Mandatory Professional Development (Policy 409.01)

Motion to approve resolutions for Mandatory Professional Development by Reed Larsen seconded by Tyson Cox. Voting Aye Larsen, Cox, Martindale, Milleson, Zutavern, and Teahon. Voting Nay – none. Motion passed.

8. Meeting Adjourned at 8:45 p.m. by President Teahon.

**Official Meeting Notice:**

The board of education of Sandhills Public Schools will have their next regular meeting Monday, August 12th, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the Lecture Hall at the high school in Dunning, Nebraska. This and all meetings are open to the public.

Agendas are kept continually current and available for public inspection in the Superintendent's Office during regular business hours with reasonable notice.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dr. Jamie Isom, Administrator