

WESTSIDE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS ~ DISTRICT 66

Board of Education Meeting Minutes ~ January 18, 2022

The Board of Education of School District 66 was convened in an open and public session on January 18, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at the District Administration Office - ABC Building - 909 S. 76th Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

Board members present: Meagan Van Gelder, Vice President
Beth Morrissette, Treasurer
Adam Yale, Secretary
Kris Karnes, Director

Board member absent (excused): Doug Krenzer, President
Dana Blakely, Treasurer-Elect

Notice of the meeting was given by placing advance notice on the front page of the District's website no less than 48 hours in advance of the scheduled commencement of the meeting as authorized by Board Policy 1220. Notice for this meeting appeared beginning on December 14, 2021, and appeared continuously up through the start of this board meeting. Notice of the meeting was also published in the Daily Record on January 14, 17 and 18, 2022, and on their website. Copies of proof of publication are attached to the official minutes. Notice of this meeting and the availability of the agenda was simultaneously given to all members of the Board of Education and available to anyone at the Board of Education office. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

District Staff in Attendance: Mike Lucas, Mark Weichel, Andrea Haynes, Brian Gabriel, Molly Hurley, Kim De La Cruz, Nick Lesiak, Kelcy Tapp, Robert Aranda, Becky Lowther, Mikayla Bruner, Maggie Person, Jeannene Egan.

Others in Attendance*: Christopher Keele, Peter Gadzinski, Rebecca Cartwright. *Members of the public are not required to identify themselves to attend. Attendee names appearing in these minutes are those who signed a voluntary sign-in sheet.

Dr. Van Gelder called the Board of Education Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. She welcomed those in attendance and confirmed with Ms. Hurley that public notice had been given of the meeting under the Nebraska Open Meetings Act and that a copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was posted at the meeting and on the district website, as required by law. She acknowledged that the meeting had been publicly announced and the agenda was available to any interested parties. Dr. Van Gelder advised that Mr. Krenzer and Ms. Blakely's absences from tonight's meeting were excused and requested a motion to approve their absence. Ms. Karnes moved for approval; Mr. Yale seconded. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Minutes

Dr. Van Gelder requested a motion for approval of the minutes from the Board of Education Meeting held on December 13, 2021. Mr. Yale moved for approval; Ms. Morrissette seconded. Motion carried by roll call vote.

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Treasurer's Report

Ms. Morrisette presented the treasurer's report for December 2021 and requested approval for expenditures in the amount of \$12,189,104; Ms. Karnes seconded. Approval of expenditures was passed by unanimous roll call vote. Copies of the December 2021 financial reports (financial statements, general fund disbursement summary and general fund check register) are included in the board documents folder.

Communications

Dr. Lucas advised (in Ms. Brandi Paul's absence) that the District's Annual Report is nearing completion and will be mailed to every household in the Westside district in early February.

Recognition of Distinguished Service

The Board of Education presented Ms. Laura Iliff, Executive Director of the Westside Foundation, with a resolution for her service to the Foundation and the students and staff of Westside Community Schools. Ms. Iliff is retiring at the end of February. During her tenure as Executive Director, Ms. Iliff has overseen numerous capital improvement projects and fundraising campaigns that have benefited students, staff and the entire Westside community. Dr. Van Gelder read the resolution, which was seconded by Ms. Morrisette and unanimously approved by the Board. A copy of the resolution is included in the board documents folder.

Personnel Report

Dr. Andrea Haynes, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources & District Operations, presented the personnel report (one retirement; one resignation) for board approval. Ms. Karnes moved for approval; Ms. Morrisette seconded. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. A copy of the Personnel Report is included in the board documents folder.

Board Policy for Approval - #2110: Employment of Superintendent

Mr. Nick Lesiak, District In-House Legal Counsel, presented revisions to existing policy #2110 - Employment of Superintendent - for board approval. These proposed revisions were previously presented to the Board for consideration and discussion on December 13, 2021. Revisions include the addition of language from the Superintendent evaluation document, recommended evaluation dates, and the purpose of and procedures for the evaluation. Mr. Yale moved for approval; Ms. Karnes seconded. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. The Executive Summary and a redline copy of policy #2210 are included in the board documents folder.

Papio-Missouri River NRD Hazard Mitigation Plan

Dr. Lucas presented the Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District (NRD) Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Resolution for Board approval. He advised that the Papio-Missouri River NRD was the regional sponsor for the update of the Hazard Mitigation Plan (updated every five years), which has been approved at both the state (NEMA) and federal level (FEMA). Our jurisdictional governing body - the Board of Education of Westside Community Schools, District 66 - must adopt the plan in order to be listed as a full participant and to be eligible for Hazard Mitigation Assistance and

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disaster response grants through FEMA. JEO Consulting Group, Inc. of Lincoln, NE, assisted the Papio-Missouri River NRD in preparing the Hazard Mitigation Plan and will file the district's approved and signed resolution with the State. Mr. Yale read the resolution in its entirety; Ms. Morrisette seconded. Resolution was adopted by unanimous roll call vote. A copy of the Executive Summary and the resolution are included in the board documents folder.

Public Comment

There was one request for public comment: Peter Gadzinski - Loveland School streets.

Board Member Representation / Legislative Updates

Board members have participated in a number of district activities this semester including elementary family nights, sporting events, and building walk-throughs, as well as committee meetings (NASB Legislative Committee - Ms. Morrisette; Metropolitan Area Boards of Education - Mr. Krenzer). Dr. Lucas advised that the district is keeping an eye on a number of school funding issues in the legislature and will remain neutral until there is further clarity in how they could impact public education and Westside Community Schools.

Announcements

Dr. Van Gelder reviewed the following upcoming events:

January 31, 2022	NASB Legislative Issues Conference - Cornhusker Marriott, Lincoln
February 1, 2022	WCS Caucus @ Westside High School - 8701 Pacific Street
	- Daytime Voting: 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
	- Caucus Voter Check-in: 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.
	- Caucus Starts: 7:00 p.m.
February 7, 2022	Board of Education Student Advisory Committee - 5:00 p.m. @ ABC
February 7, 2022	Board of Education Meeting - 6:00 p.m. @ ABC
February 8, 2022	WCS Caucus (Inclement Weather Back-Up Date, if necessary)

There being no further business, Dr. Van Gelder adjourned the meeting at 6:33 p.m.



Adam Yale, Board of Education Secretary

**WESTSIDE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS
NOTICE OF MEETING**

Notice is hereby given of a Board of Education Meeting for the Westside Community School District 66, Douglas County, in the State of Nebraska, to be held **Tuesday, January 18, 2022, 6:00 p.m.** The meeting will be held at the District Office, 909 S. 76th St., Omaha, NE. The agenda, continually kept current, is available at the District Office. The meeting is open to the public.

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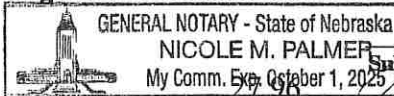
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WESTSIDE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS PROOF OF PUBLICATION

The undersigned hereby certifies that a Notice of Board Meeting, a copy of which is attached hereto, was placed on the home page of the website of Westside Community Schools (www.westside66.org) beginning on December 14, 2021, and that it appeared there continuously up through the time of the scheduled board meeting.

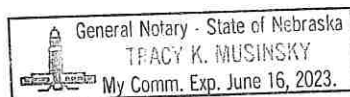
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