

**Wayne Community Schools
Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes
January 11, 2021**

The regular meeting of the Wayne Board of Education was held at 611 West 7th Street, Wayne, NE, 68787, on Monday, January 11, 2021 at 5:00 PM. Notice of the meeting and place of agenda was posted at Wayne Community Schools, posted in The Wayne Herald, and online: wayneschools.org. A copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was displayed for the public to read.

I. (Legal Counsel will act as Chair) Call the Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Eric Knutson, legal counsel.

I.a. Pledge of Allegiance

I.b. Announce Open Meeting Act Posting and Location - Posted at Wayne Community Schools, Published in the Wayne Herald, and online: www.wayneschools.org

I.c. Member Oath for Elected Board Members

Elected Board Members, Mrs. Jaime Manz, Mr. Lynn Junck, and Dr. Jeryl Nelson, were sworn into office.

I.d. Board Member Code of Conduct

Dr. Lenihan discussed the Board Member Code of Conduct.

I.e. Action on Absence and Roll Call

II. Organizaion of Board for 2021 (Board Policy 8130)

II.a. Elect: President

Nominations for Board President were submitted by written ballot. Dr. Jodi Pulfer and Dr. Jeryl Nelson were nominated. Dr. Jeryl Nelson was elected Board President. Dr. Jodi Pulfer: two votes; Dr. Jeryl Nelson: four votes.

II.b. Elect: Vice-President

Nominations for Board Vice-President were submitted by written ballot. Mrs. Jaime Manz, Dr. Jodi Pulfer, and Mr. Justin Davis were nominated. Mrs. Jaime Manz was elected Board Vice President. Mrs. Jaime Manz: three votes; Dr. Jodi Pulfer: two votes; Mr. Justin Davis: one vote.

II.c. Elect Recording Secretary

Motion to elect Mrs. Deb Daum as Recording Secretary, passed with a motion by Mr. Lynn Junck and a second by Mrs. Jaime Manz.

Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Dr. Jeryl Nelson: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

Mrs. Deb Daum was elected Recording Secretary for the Board.

II.d. Appoint Treasurer

Motion to appoint Mrs. Rochelle Nelson as Treasurer, passed with a motion by Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl and a second by Dr. Jodi Pulfer.

Dr. Jeryl Nelson: Abstain, Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

Mrs. Rochelle Nelson was appointed Treasurer by the Board. Dr. Jeryl Nelson abstained from voting.

III. (President Presides as Chair) - Policy Manual - Discuss, Consider, and Take Action to Affirm Current Policy and Regulation Manual as Governing Rules of the District as Listed on the School Website: www.wayneschools.org

Motion to to approve Current Policy and Regulation Manual as Governing Rules of the District as Listed on the School Website: www.wayneschools.org, passed with a motion by Dr. Jodi Pulfer and a second by Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl.

Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Dr. Jeryl Nelson: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

IV. Board Committees - Discuss, Consider, and Take Action to Appoint the Board of Education Committee Membership

V. Depository, Recording Records, and Legal Counsel - Discuss, Consider, and Take Action to Select State Nebraska Bank and Trust of Wayne as Depository Institution, Wayne Herald as Classified Recording Records, and Eric Knutson as Legal Counsel for Annual Appointment

Motion to Select State Nebraska Bank and Trust of Wayne as Depository Institution, Wayne Herald as Classified Recording Records, and Eric Knutson as Legal Counsel for Annual Appointment passed with a motion by Mrs. Jaime Manz and a second by Mr. Lynn Junck.

Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Dr. Jeryl Nelson: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

VI. Approval of Agenda - The Board may enter Executive Session to discuss any matter for which Executive Session is lawful and appropriate.

Motion to approve agenda, as presented, passed with a motion by Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl and a second by Mrs. Jaime Manz.

Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Dr. Jeryl Nelson: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

VII. Consent Agenda

Motion to approve Consent Agenda approving all claims with the exception of check numbers 21103 and 21109, which deal with retirement, passed with a motion by Mrs. Jaime Manz and a second by Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl.

Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Dr. Jeryl Nelson: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

Motion to approve check numbers 21103 and 21109, passed with a motion by Dr. Jodi Pulfer and a second by Mr. Justin Davis.

Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Abstain, Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Dr. Jeryl Nelson: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes

Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl abstained from voting on approval of checks 21103 and 21109 which deal with retirement.

VII.a. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

VII.b. Approval of Financial Reports and Claims

VIII. Personnel

Dr. Lenihan told the Board that resumes for the math position have begun coming in.

IX. Communications from the Public (Policy 8346) and Requested Presentations

X. Action Items

X.a. Old Business

X.b. New Business

X.b.I. Negotiations Settlement - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Negotiations Settlement

Motion to approve the Negotiated Agreement with the Wayne Education Association for the 2021-22 school year, pending approval from WEA passed with a motion by Mr. Justin Davis and a second by Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl.

Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Dr. Jeryl Nelson: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

The Board approved the negotiated agreement, pending Wayne Education Association approval, for the 2021-2022 school year. Dr. Lenihan thanked the committee members for the early morning meetings.

X.b.II. Aetna Health Insurance Quote - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Aetna Health Insurance Quote

Motion to approve the quote from Aetna for Health Insurance, effective September 1, 2021 passed with a motion by Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl and a second by Mr. Justin Davis.
Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Dr. Jeryl Nelson: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

The Board approved the Aetna Health Insurance quote. This will take effect September 1, 2021.

X.b.III. Ameritas Dental Insurance Quote - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Ameritas Dental Insurance Quote

Motion to approve the quote from Ameritas for Dental Insurance, effective September 1, 2021 passed with a motion by Dr. Jodi Pulfer and a second by Mr. Justin Davis.
Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Dr. Jeryl Nelson: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

The Board approved the quote from Ameritas Dental Insurance.

X.b.IV. 2021-2022 School Calendar - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on 2021-2022 School Calendar

Motion to table final approval of the 2021-22 calendar until the February 8, 2021 school board meeting passed with a motion by Mrs. Jaime Manz and a second by Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl.
Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Dr. Jeryl Nelson: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

The Board voted to table the 2021-2022 School Calendar until the February Board Meeting.

X.b.V. COVID-19 Update - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Potential School Schedule Changes due to COVID-19

Dr. Lenihan explained that Fridays will be a 2:00 dismissal through Quarter 3. NSAA has increased spectators to 50% capacity. Education staff are in phase 1b for the vaccination, which should take place soon.

XI. Administration and Board Committee Reports:

XI.a. Administration - Written reports were provided by Administration. Copies of their reports are available at the District Office upon request.

XI.a.I. Superintendent

XI.a.I.1. 2021 Reimbursement Rates

Dr. Lenihan presented the reimbursement rates for 2021. The rates come from the State of Nebraska.

XI.a.I.2. WCS Board of Education/Supt. Goals

Dr. Lenihan discussed the Board Goals. He stated that changes were made from suggestions given at the Board Retreat.

XI.a.II. High School Principal

Mr. Hight said he is working with Wayne State College on prom preparations.

XI.a.III. Special Education/Early Learning Center Director

No report.

XI.a.IV. Elementary Principal

Kindergarten Round-Up format is changing to two, possible three, evenings beginning Tuesday, March 2.

XI.a.V. Junior High Principal/Activities Director

Mr. Dave Wragge discussed the new DHM from NSAA. Home games are being streamed. Esports club has started with twenty students signed up. Dr. Todd Young and Nick Sutton of WSC, are volunteer coaches. This will be of no cost to the district.

XI.b. Board Committees

XI.b.I. Foundation and Community Relations - Mark Lenihan, Brandon Foote

The Foundation is preparing for the Alumni Tournament in April. A final decision will be made in March.

XI.b.II. Curriculum and Committee on American Civics - Mark Lenihan, Misty Bear

No report.

XI.b.III. Facility/Safety/Finance - Mark Lenihan, Russ Plager, Jordan Widner, Rochelle Nelson

Pre-bid conference was held Monday, January 4 for the bathroom remodel project. Bids are due Wednesday, January 20.

XI.b.IV. Policy/Title IX - Mark Lenihan, Russ Plager, Tucker Hight

No report.

XI.b.V. Negotiations - Mark Lenihan

No report.

XI.b.VI. Legislative - Mark Lenihan

No report.

XII. Boardsmanship

*Should we consider having the honor coffee assemblies in person starting in February, dependent on DHM?

The Board decided to keep the Honor Coffee as we are doing until the end of the school year.

XII.a. 2021 Virtual Legislative Issues Conference - Register Deadline: January 27

XIII. Future Agenda Items:

*Tour of Elementary

*Principal Appraisals

*ESU Service Contract intentions

*Bus Contract

XIV. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn Meeting passed with a motion by Mr. Lynn Junck and a second by Mrs. Jaime Manz.

Mr. Justin Davis: Yes, Mr. Lynn Junck: Yes, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Dr. Jeryl Nelson: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

The meeting was adjourned at 6:33 p.m. The next regular Board Meeting will be Monday, February 8, 2021, at the Jr/Sr High School, Room 202. The meeting will follow the Elementary School tour.

Deb Daum, Secretary