

**Wayne Community Schools
Board of Education Regular Meeting Minutes
July 10, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Wayne Board of Education was held at 611 West 7th Street, Wayne, NE, 68787, on Monday, July 10, 2023 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.

Mr. Justin Davis: Present

Mr. Lynn Junck: Absent

Mrs. Jaime Manz: Present

Dr. Jeryl Nelson: Present

Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Present

Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Present

I. Call the Meeting to Order

The July Board Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. in the Jr/Sr High School Library.

I.a. Pledge of Allegiance

I.b. Announce Open Meetings Act Posting and Location - Posted at Wayne Community Schools, Published in the Wayne Herald (7/6/2023), and online: www.wayneschools.org

I.c. Action on Absence and Roll Call

Motion to excuse absent board member, Mr. Lynn Junck, passed with a motion by Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl and a second by Mr. Justin Davis.

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

I.d. Approval of Agenda - The Board may enter Closed Session to discuss any matter for which Closed 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, Mrs. Jaime Manz: Yes, Dr. Jeryl Nelson: Yes, Dr. Jodi Pulfer: Yes, Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl: Yes

I.e. Consent Agenda - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Minutes of Previous Meetings and Financial Claims

Motion to approve consent agenda, as presented, passed with a motion by Mrs. Jaime Manz and a second by Dr. Jeryl Nelson.

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

I.e.I. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

I.e.II. Approval of Financial Reports and Claims

I.f. Personnel

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

Raegan Maas, Jason Trautman, and Levi Pofahl spoke to the Board on the potential wrestling co-op with Laurel/Concord/Coleridge school.

II.a. Annual Hearing and Review of Policies

*These will be reviewed individually

Policies 5415, 5416, 5418, and 6400 were reviewed as required by the Nebraska Department of Education. All policies can be found on the school's website.

II.a.I. Policy 5415: Bullying

II.a.II. Policy 5416: Student Fees

II.a.III. Policy 5418: Homeless Student

II.a.IV. Policy 6400: Parent Involvement

III. Action Items

III.a. Old Business

III.a.I. Second Reading of Policies 1101, 5004, 5006, 5101, 5102, 5205, 6215, 6284, 6600, 6700, 6921, 6930, and 8130 Updates - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Second Reading of Policies 1101, 5004, 5006, 5101, 5102, 5205, 6215, 6284, 6600, 6700, 6921, 6930, and 8130 Updates

Motion to approve Second Reading of Policies 1101, 5004, 5006, 5101, 5102, 5205, 6215, 6284, 6600, 6700, 6921, 6930, and 8130 Updates with corrections to Policy 8130 passed with a motion by Dr. Jeryl Nelson and a second by Mrs. Jaime Manz.

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

The Board approved the Second Reading of the policy updates.

III.a.II. Second Reading of Policy 1011-Sex Offenders - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Second Reading of Policy 1011-Sex Offenders

Motion to approve the Second Reading of Policy 1011-Sex Offenders passed with a motion by Mrs. Jaime Manz and a second by Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl.

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

The Board approved the Second Reading of Policy 1011-Sex Offenders. All policies can be found on the school's website.

III.a.III. Second Reading of 2023-24 K-6 Student Handbook - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Second Reading of 2023-24 Student Handbook

Motion to approve the Second Reading of 2023-24 K-6 Student Handbook passed with a motion by Dr. Jeryl Nelson and a second by Mrs. Jaime Manz.

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

The Board approved the Second Reading of the 2023-24 K-6 Student Handbook.

III.a.IV. Second Reading of 2023-24 Non-Certificated Staff Handbook - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Second Reading of 2023-24 Non-Certificated Staff Handbook

Motion to approve Second Reading of 2023-24 Non-Certificated Staff Handbook passed with a motion by Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl and a second by Mrs. Jaime Manz.

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

The Board approved the Second Reading of the 2023-24 Non-Certificated Staff Handbook.

III.a.V. Second Reading of 2023-24 Teacher Handbook - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Second Reading of 2023-24 Teacher Handbook

Motion to approve the Second Reading of 2023-24 Teacher Handbook passed with a motion by Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl and a second by Mrs. Jaime Manz.

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

The Board approved the Second Reading of the 2023-24 Teacher Handbook.

III.b. New Business

III.b.I. Policy 2101: Acknowledgment of Superintendent as CEO of District - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Policy 2101: Acknowledgment of Superintendent as CEO of District

Motion to affirm Policy 2101: Acknowledgment of Superintendent as CEO of District passed with a motion by Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl and a second by Dr. Jeryl Nelson.

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

Policy 2101 is reviewed annually and states that the Superintendent is the CEO of the District. All policies can be found on the school's website.

III.b.II. Safe to Return to School COVID-19 Review - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Safe to Return to School COVID-19 Review

This is posted under Quick Links on the school website

The Board reviewed the Safe to Return to School COVID-19 plan. This is a semi-annual review for ESSER fund requirements. The plan can be found on the school's website.

III.b.III. First Reading Memorandum of Understanding with City of Wayne/Wayne Police Department School Resource Officer - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on the First Reading of the Memorandum of Understanding with City of Wayne/Wayne Police Department School Resource Officer

Motion to approve the First Reading Memorandum of Understanding with City of Wayne/Wayne Police Department School Resource Officer passed with a motion by Dr. Jeryl Nelson and a second by Mrs. Jaime Manz.

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

The Board approved the First Reading of Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Wayne and the Wayne Police Department for a School Resource Officer.

III.b.IV. First Reading of Policy 4110-Contract - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on First Reading of Policy 4110-Contract

Motion to approve the First Reading of Policy 4110-Contract passed with a motion by Dr. Jeryl Nelson and a second by Mrs. Jaime Manz.

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

The Board approved the First Reading of Policy 4110-Contract.

III.b.V. First Reading of Policy 4171-Resignation of Certified Employees - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on First Reading of Policy 4171-Resignation of Certified Employees

Motion to approve the First Reading of Policy 4171-Resignation of Certified Employees passed with a motion by Dr. Jeryl Nelson and a second by Mr. Justin Davis.

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

The Board approved the First Reading of Policy 4171-Resignation of Certificated Employees.

III.b.VI. First Reading of Policy 5602-Naloxone - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on First Reading of Policy 5602-Naloxone

Motion to approve the First Reading of Policy 5602-Naloxone passed with a motion by Mrs. Jaime Manz and a second by Mr. Justin Davis.

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

The Board approved the First Reading of Policy 5602-Naloxone.

III.b.VII. First Reading of Policy 6288-Artificial Intelligence - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on First Reading of Policy 6288-Artificial Intelligence

Motion to approve the First Reading of Policy 6288-Artificial Intelligence passed with a motion by Dr. Jeryl Nelson and a second by Mr. Justin Davis.

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

The Board approved the First Reading of Policy 6288-Artificial Intelligence.

III.b.VIII. Wrestling Coop between Wayne and Laurel/Concord/Coleridge - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Wrestling Coop between Wayne and Laurel/Concord/Coleridge

Motion to approve the Resolution for Cooperative Sponsorship of Wrestling between Wayne High School and Laurel-Concord-Coleridge High School. passed with a motion by Dr. Jeryl Nelson and a second by Dr. Jodi Pulfer.

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

After discussion, the Board approved the Wrestling co-op between Wayne and Laurel/Concord/Coleridge.

III.b.IX. Relocation of Tech Mod - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on Relocation of Tech Mod

Motion to approve Relocation of Tech Mod passed with a motion by Mr. Justin Davis and a second by Dr. Jeryl Nelson.

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

The Board approved moving the Tech Mod to be used as storage and offices for technology and maintenance. Building Fund will be used to cover the costs.

III.b.X. 2023-2024 NRCSA (Nebraska Rural Community School Association) Membership - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on NRCSA Membership

Motion to approve the 2023-24 NRCSA (Nebraska Rural Community School Association) Membership passed with a motion by Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl and a second by Mrs. Jaime Manz.

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

The Board approved the annual membership dues for the Nebraska Rural Community Schools Association.

III.b.XI. Engagement Letter Peetz Koerwitz & Lafleur, PC LLO - Discuss, Consider, and Take Necessary Action on an Engagement Letter with Peetz Koerwitz & Lafleur, PC LLO

Motion to approve the Engagement Letter Peetz Koerwitz & Lafleur, PC LLO passed with a motion by Mrs. Sylvia Ruhl and a second by Dr. Jeryl Nelson.

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

The Board approved the engagement letter from Mr. Eric Knutson, Peetz Koerwitz & Lafler, PC LLO. This is necessary for Mr. Knutson to serve as legal council.

IV. Administration and Board Committee Reports:

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

IV.a.I. Superintendent

IV.a.I.1. Accreditation

Dr. Lenihan presented the Letter of Accreditation from the Nebraska Department of Education.

IV.a.I.2. Building Project Update

Dr. Lenihan stated the design phase is finishing up.

IV.a.I.3. Reorganization of Business Office

Dr. Lenihan discussed the possibility of hiring an additional person in the Business Office. This would serve as a transition training period for the staff as retirement of current staff occurs.

IV.a.I.4. Update on Line Item Budget

Dr. Lenihan discussed preliminary numbers on the 2023-2024 budget.

IV.b. Board Committees

IV.b.I. Foundation and Community Relations - Justin Davis, Jaime Manz, Sylvia Ruhl, Dave Wragge, Mark Lenihan, Rusty Parker

Mr. Rusty Parker stated the All-Class Reunion during Chicken Days went well. He thanked all who were involved with it.

IV.b.II. Curriculum and Committee on American Civics - Jaime Manz, Jeryl Nelson, Sylvia Ruhl, Mark Lenihan, Misty Bear

No report.

IV.b.III. Facility/Safety/Finance - Justin Davis, Lynn Junck, Jeryl Nelson, Mark Lenihan, Russ Plager, Jordan Widner, Mary Jean Roberson

Mr. Jordan Widner stated the HVAC and fire alarms will be completed soon at the Elementary.

IV.b.IV. Policy/Title IX - Jaime Manz, Jeryl Nelson, Jodi Pulfer, Mark Lenihan, Tucker Hight, Russ Plager

No report.

IV.b.V. Negotiations - Justin Davis, Lynn Junck, Jodi Pulfer, Mark Lenihan

No report.

IV.b.VI. Legislative - Lynn Junck, Jodi Pulfer, Sylvia Ruhl, Mark Lenihan

No report.

V. Boardsmanship

VI. Future Agenda Items:

*Second Reading of Policy 4110-Contract

*Second Reading of Policy 4171-Resignation of Certificated Employees

- *Second Reading of Policy 5602-Naloxone
- *Second Reading of Policy 6288-Artificial Intelligence
- *Second Reading of MOU with City of Wayne/Wayne Police Department School Resource Officer
- *Board/Staff Breakfast - August 10, 2023 8:30 a.m.
- *K-12 Open House - Monday, August 14, 2023, 5:00-7:00 p.m.
- *Americanism Hearing

Additional Future Agenda Items include: July Board Retreat, July 31, 2023

VII. Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn Meeting passed with a motion by Mrs. Jaime Manz and a second by Dr. Jeryl Nelson.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m. The next regular Board Meeting will be Monday, August 14, 2023, beginning at 7:00 p.m. Please note time change due to the K-12 Open House. The meeting will be held in the Jr/Sr High School Library.

Deb Daum, Secretary