

## **Board of Education Regular Meeting**

6:00 PM

Middle School/High School Media Center  
565 S. Kimmel  
Osceola, NE 68651-0198

Jennifer Boruch:	Present
Jena Mentink:	Present
Anthony Mestl:	Present
Michael Neujahr:	Present
Douglas Rathjen:	Absent
Chelsey Tonniges:	Present

### 1. Osceola Public Schools Board of Education Information

Notice of this meeting was posted at the Jeffrey Elementary School, Osceola Middle School/High School, Pinnacle Bank of Osceola, and the Osceola Post Office. A copy of the agenda items is tentative and may be changed by the Board if necessary.

### 2. Opening Procedures

#### 2.1. Call the Meeting to Order

President Bruch called the regular meeting to order at 6:08 PM and informed those in attendance that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted in the meeting room, then directed the public to its location.

#### 2.2. Roll Call

Also present were Superintendent Rinehart, Principal Maynard, Principal Webster and Debra Berry. Attending the meeting to discuss the family property for sale were Mr. Gavin Coffin and Mr. Gordon Coffin.

#### 2.3. Excuse Board Members Who Are Absent

To excuse Doug Rathjen Passed with a motion by Jena Mentink and a second by Chelsey Tonniges.

Jennifer Boruch: Yea, Jena Mentink: Yea, Anthony Mestl: Yea, Michael Neujahr: Yea, Chelsey Tonniges: Yea

### 3. Approval of Agenda

To approve the agenda as written Passed with a motion by Anthony Mestl and a second by Jena Mentink.

Jennifer Boruch: Yea, Jena Mentink: Yea, Anthony Mestl: Yea, Michael Neujahr: Yea, Chelsey Tonniges: Yea

### 4. Recognition of Visitors/Communications from the Public

Mr. Gavin Coffin and Mr. Gordon Coffin were present to discuss their family's property that is for sale. The school made an offer that is acceptable to the Coffin family.

### 5. Reports

#### 5.1. Principals Reports

##### 5.1.1. Elementary Report

Elementary Principal Brett Webster gave his written and oral report about: MAPS Testing is done; Parent Teacher Conferences were well attended; the Book Fair sold \$1916.45 worth of books which allowed each Elementary classroom to receive \$85.24 in free books; Fire Prevention Week starts October 21st; and Red Ribbon Week will be the week of October 21st through the 25th.

##### 5.1.2. MS/HS Report

Principal Dale Maynard gave his oral and written report about: the NHS Blood Drive met their goal in units of blood collected; 45 students will be attending the FFA Alumni trip this year; MAPS testing has begun in the Middle/High School; at least 50% of students are enrolled in an online and/or college course; CRC Volleyball will be played at York, October 19th; and 130 meals were served during "Feed the Farmer" by the FFA.

Thank you to all of the volunteers and to those who donated to "Feed the Farmer".

#### 5.2. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent Steven Rinehart gave his oral and written report about: the NASB State Convention is scheduled for November 20th to the 22nd; the first meeting for teacher negotiations will be scheduled toward the end of October; the ESU Board has invited the Osceola Board to tour ESU's facilities on November 12th; the search for a new Ag Teacher has begun due to Mr. Schmit's retirement; and the Nebraska Education Profile was reviewed.

#### 5.3. Board Reports

There were no board reports.

## 6. Action Items

### 6.1. Consent Agenda

To approve the consent agenda Passed with a motion by Michael Neujahr and a second by Anthony Mestl.

Jennifer Boruch: Yea, Jena Mentink: Yea, Anthony Mestl: Yea, Michael Neujahr: Yea, Chelsey Tonniges: Yea

#### 6.1.1. Approval of the Previous Meeting's Minutes

#### 6.1.2. Treasurer's Report

#### 6.1.3. Payment of general fund claims in the amount of \$394,142.24

#### 6.1.4. Payment of special building fund claims of \$106,836.92

6.2. Consider, discuss and take any necessary action on recognizing the Osceola Education Association (OEA) as the bargaining agent for certified teaching staff for the 20-21 school year. To recognize the Osceola Education Association (OEA) as the bargaining agent for the certified teaching staff for the 2020-2021 school year Passed with a motion by Michael Neujahr and a second by Chelsey Tonniges.

Jennifer Boruch: Yea, Jena Mentink: Yea, Anthony Mestl: Yea, Michael Neujahr: Yea, Chelsey Tonniges: Yea

6.3. Consider, discuss and take all necessary action to start process adopt KSB Law Firm Policy Service.

To approve the resolution to adopt KSB Law's schools' policies service for \$9,500.00 with delayed implementation. Passed with a motion by Jena Mentink and a second by Chelsey Tonniges.

Jennifer Boruch: Yea, Jena Mentink: Yea, Anthony Mestl: Yea, Michael Neujahr: Yea, Chelsey Tonniges: Yea

## 7. Discussion Items

### 7.1. Discuss progress on building project..

Superintendent Rinehart discussed the roofing project as it nears completion. The security system is also near completion. A new server is being installed to integrate the camera system with the door security system. A schedule for when the public can use the indoor track during the school day so classes are not disrupted was discussed. A timeline for the daycare center was reviewed for input. Principal Webster is gathering information about how different schools operate their daycare centers.

Bids for the building project are due October 31, 2019.

### 7.2. Discuss possible options to purchase Coffin property for future Agriculture program.

The Coffin family property that is for sale was discussed. The FFA Alumni is willing to donate money toward the purchase of the property but it is to remain as an area for the school's agricultural program. Osceola Public Schools wishes to thank the members of the FFA Alumni for their generosity.

### 7.3. Discuss option of cooping Middle School Football with Shelby.

Superintendent Rinehart talked with Shelby-Rising City's Superintendent Chip Kay about cooping the Middle School football program. Both schools are positive about the possible coop. Action will be taken at a future board meeting. A letter will be sent to the parents of the middle school football players.

### 7.4. Go through the District goals to evaluate progress and re-prioritize items

The District's short and long term goals were reviewed and updated.

### 7.5. Discussion about Drug Testing, Vaping and Drug policies..

Drug testing, vaping and drug policies were discussed. Last week, the board committee tasked with the drug testing, vaping and drug policies talked with the administration about implementing a policy that randomly selects students that participate in extra-curricular activities for drug testing. The drug testing would be done by a third party company. During the board meeting discussion, more education on drug usage and the consequences that follow was suggested. The Board will vote on whether to randomly drug test at the November 10, 2019, meeting.

## 8. Executive Session

### 8.1. Executive session for Superintendent's evaluation and plan for teacher negotiations

To enter into executive session at 9:13 PM for the purpose of evaluating the Superintendent's job performance and to plan for negotiations with certified staff Passed with a motion by Anthony Mestl and a second by Chelsey Tonniges.

Jennifer Boruch: Yea, Jena Mentink: Yea, Anthony Mestl: Yea, Michael Neujahr: Yea, Chelsey Tonniges: Yea

## 9. Next Meeting Dates and Times

9.1. Regular meeting November 10, 2019, 6:00 PM at the Osceola Middle/High School Media Center.

## 10. Adjournment

Moved to adjourn meeting at 9:36 p.m. Passed with a motion by Anthony Mestl and a second by Chelsey Tonniges.

Jennifer Boruch: Yea, Jena Mentink: Yea, Anthony Mestl: Yea, Michael Neujahr: Yea, Chelsey Tonniges: Yea