

## WESTSIDE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS ~ DISTRICT 66

### Board of Education Meeting Minutes ~ June 29, 2021

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The Board of Education of School District 66 was convened in an open and public session on June 29, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. at the District Administration Office - ABC Building - 909 S. 76th Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

**Board members present:** Doug Krenzer, President  
Meagan Van Gelder, Vice President  
Adam Yale, Secretary  
Dana Blakely, Treasurer-Elect  
Kris Karnes, Director

**Board member absent (excused):** Beth Morrissette, Treasurer

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 June 15, 2021, and appeared continuously up through the start of this board meeting. Notice of the meeting was also published in the Daily Record on June 28, 2021, 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, Enid Schonewise, Mark Weichel, Brian Gabriel, Molly Hurley, Kim De La Cruz, Paul Lindgren, Robert Aranda, Brandi Paul, Maggie Person, Melanie Connolly.

**Others in Attendance\*:** \*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.

Mr. Krenzer called the Board of Education Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. He 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. He acknowledged that the meeting had been publicly announced and the agenda was available to any interested parties. Board member attendance is noted above. Mr. Krenzer confirmed that Ms. Morrissette's absence was excused and requested a motion for approval. Ms. Blakely moved for approval; Ms. Karnes seconded. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Krenzer requested separate motions for approval of minutes from the Board of Education Workshop and Board of Education Meeting, both held on June 14, 2021. Mr. Yale moved for approval of the BOE Workshop minutes; Ms. Karnes seconded. Motion carried by roll call vote. Dr. Van Gelder moved for approval of the BOE Meeting minutes; Mr. Yale seconded. Motion carried by roll call vote.

#### **Building Service Employees Negotiated Agreement**

Dr. Enid Schonewise, Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, presented the Building Service Employee Negotiated Agreement and requested approval from the Board. She advised the Board that this 2-year agreement (for the 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 contract years) was reached under an

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incredibly collaborative process and completed after just three meetings between the District and the Building Services Union. Mr. Steve Rys, Assistant Chief Steward, concurred and expressed his appreciation to Dr. Schonewise and her committee. Dr. Schonewise shared that, because negotiations occur every two years, representatives from the Building Services Union and district employee groups agreed to form a joint committee that will hold quarterly meetings with district leadership to help maintain their positive and helpful dialogue. Dr. Van Gelder moved for approval; Ms. Blakely seconded. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. Copies of the Executive Summary and negotiated agreement are included in the board documents folder.

**Nutrition Service Employees Negotiated Agreement**

Dr. Schonewise presented the Nutrition Service Employee Negotiated Agreement for Board approval. Both Dr. Schonewise and Mr. Rys echoed their earlier comments regarding the collaborative and positive process, also completed after just three meetings. Dr. Lucas and board members expressed their appreciation to Dr. Schonewise and those involved in negotiations for both employee groups; an outstanding process and outstanding work by everyone. Ms. Karnes moved for approval; Mr. Yale seconded. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. Copies of the Executive Summary and negotiated agreement are included in the board documents folder.

**Personnel Report**

Dr. Schonewise presented the personnel report (one certified staff probationary contract) for board approval. Mr. Yale moved for approval; Ms. Blakely seconded. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote. A copy of the Personnel Report is included in the board documents folder.

**Board Member Representation / Legislative Updates**


Dr. Lucas and some members of the board participated in the Westside Foundation's golf tournament yesterday. Dr. Lucas and the board expressed their great appreciation and admiration to Dr. Schonewise for her service to Westside Community Schools and shared their most sincere wishes and congratulations on her retirement! THANK YOU DR. SCHONEWISE!!

**Announcements**

Mr. Krenzer reviewed the following upcoming events:

July 5-6, 2021	District Offices Closed
July 19, 2021	Board of Education Workshop - 2:00-5:00 pm - ABC Building
	Board of Education Meeting - 5:00 pm - ABC Building

There being no further business, Mr. Krenzer adjourned the meeting at 9:31 a.m.

  
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Adam Yale, Board of Education Secretary