

EDUCATIONAL SERVICE UNIT 17
207 N. Main St. – Ainsworth, NE 69210
May 11, 2021

Present: Roxie Lindquist, Duane Gudgel, Jan Knispel, Sue Weston, Jean Pinney, Lisa Chohon, Renee Adkisson, Jody Dexter, Geraldine Erickson and Jan Foster.

President Lisa Chohon called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. The Open Meetings Act posting was acknowledged. The meeting notice was published on the ESU 17 website and on the front doors of ESU 17, Ainsworth Community Schools, Cody-Kilgore Unified School, Keya Paha County Schools, Rock County Public Schools, Valentine Community Schools and published in the Ainsworth Star Journal, Rock County Leader, Springview Herald and Valentine Midland News.

1. Duane Gudgel made a motion to approve the agenda as printed. Jean Pinney seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous.
2. A motion to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2021 meeting was made by Jody Dexter and seconded by Renee Adkisson. Roll call vote was unanimous.
3. The financial statement ending April 30, 2021 was presented with an ending balance of \$1,845,190.60. Jan Knispel made a motion with a second from Sue Weston to approve the financial statement. Roll call vote was unanimous.
4. The listing of bills and claims totaling \$494,594.38 was reviewed. A motion was made by Jody Dexter and seconded by Roxie Lindquist to approve payment of claims. Roll call vote was unanimous.
5. Geraldine gave an update on current events in the Nebraska Legislature.
6. Information regarding non-certificated salaries was shared. Geraldine was given the authority to establish a comparability system and report to the board prior to preparing the budget.
7. Rehab Visions has agreed to provide OT services while Rachel Schumacher is on maternity leave. Year-round staff will be allowed to follow a summer hour schedule. Brad Dirksen presented minimum standards of Rule 10 and Rule 14 at the May 11th Superintendent meeting. ESU 17 staff will provide summer services to students. George Hefner has provided his contract for 2021-2022 with slight rate increases of \$1.00 per hour and \$10 per trip. Dr. Paul Burger at the University of Nebraska Kearney will complete the redistricting of ESU 17 during the allowed timeframe. Travis Electric provided a quote for lighting replacement at the main street office and the training center. Geraldine shared the prioritized list of services determined by ESU 17 school districts as part of the data dig held in January of 2021. Nebraska Department of Revenue released the real property value percentage changes by county as of 3/30/21.
8. A motion to approve the summer contracts for ESU 17 teachers was made by Jean Pinney and seconded by Jan Knispel. Roll call vote was unanimous.
9. Jody Dexter made a motion to approve the 2021-2022 contract with George Hefner. Renee Adkisson seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous.

10. A motion was made by Sue Weston and seconded by Roxie Lindquist to approve the contract with Rehab Visions for occupational therapy services. Roll call vote was unanimous.
11. Duane Gudgel made a motion to approve the project agreement with Dr. Paul Burger of UNK at a cost of \$2,850.00. Jan Knispel seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous.
12. A motion to approve the replacement of lighting per the agreement with Travis Electric was made by Sue Weston and seconded by Jean Pinney. Roll call vote was unanimous.
13. Renee Adkisson made a motion to approve the ESU 17 SIMPL Service Plan for 2021-22. Jan Knispel seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous.
14. A motion to set the next meeting date for June 8, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. was made by Jan Knispel and seconded by Jody Dexter. Roll call vote was unanimous.
15. Motion to adjourn was made by Roxie Lindquist at 6:07 p.m.

Secretary