MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF DOUGLAS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 28-0015, a/k/a, DOUGLAS COUNTY WEST COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT December 15, 2014

The regular meeting of the Board of Education, District #15, in the County of Douglas, in the State of Nebraska, was convened in open and public session on December 15, 2014, at the Douglas County West Community School Central Office Board Room, 401 South Pine St., Valley, Nebraska.

Following public notification procedures approved by the Board of Education, February 14, 2011, in adherence to 84-1411, notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting such Notice on the exterior front door of the high school, elementary school, middle school, Valley City Hall, First Nebraska Bank, Waterloo Post Office, and Foundation First Bank. Notice of the meeting was simultaneously given to all members of the Board of Education. Availability of the agenda was communicated in advance notice and in the notice to the Board of Education of the meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

I. Call to Order

President Pat McCarville called the regular meeting to order at 7:45 p.m. Dr. McCarville noted that the Open Meetings Act was posted on the back wall of the Board Room for public review.

Present Board Members:

Jeff Clauson
Kelly Hinrichs
Luke Janke
Pat McCarville
Sue McKie
John Walvoord

Others Present:

Melissa Poloncic, Jim Knott, Troy Glock, Jeremy Travis, Duane Krusemark, Kate Carlson, Dennis Roy, Members of a local Boys Scout troop and their parents, Sabina Wiekhorst

II. Public Communications and Correspondence

Superintendent Poloncic welcomed and introduced Boy Scout members Troy Ogden, David Merryweather and Chris Exstrom who were at the Board of Education meeting to earn their Citizenship badge.

III. Approval of Agenda

Motion Passed: Motion to approve agenda as presented passed with a motion by Sue McKie and a second by Jeff Clauson.

Jeff Clauson Yes
Kelly Hinrichs Yes
Luke Janke Yes
Pat McCarville Yes
Sue McKie Yes
John Walvoord Yes

IV. Administrative Reports

IV.A. Superintendent's Report

IV.B. Financial Report

V. Consent Agenda

Motion Passed: Motion to approve Consent Agenda passed with a motion by Sue McKie and a second by Jeff Clauson.

Jeff	Clauson	Yes
Kelly	y Hinrichs	Yes
Luke	Janke	Yes
Pat	McCarville	Yes
Sue	McKie	Yes
John	Walvoord	Yes

V.A. Approve Minutes

V.B. Approve Claims for Payment

V.C. Approve Financial Report

V.D. Approve Classified Staff

Marilyn Andersen was recently hired as a part-time food service employee.

VI. Old Business

VI.A. Building and Grounds Update

The maintenance staff will work on several projects during winter break. Some of those projects include repairs to high school restrooms and high school locker rooms, replace ceiling tiles in the high school, replace a water heater in the elementary and replace some carpeting in two middle school classrooms.

VI.B. Facilities Modernization

Superintendent Melissa Poloncic presented to the board a summary of input and research on the bond issue she has gathered since the election.

VII. New Business

VII.A. Tech Ten

High School business teacher, Kate Carlson, explained the use of STUDYBLUE to the Board. STUDYBLUE is a free review/flashcard tool available on iPad, Android devices and via their website (http://www.studyblue.com). The app allows users to create and study flash card decks. Students and teachers are able to join classes to share decks for collaborative reviewing.

VII.B. Early Childhood Plan

The options for implementation of the Learning Community Superintendents' Early Childhood Plan and how it relates to DC West as a school district was discussed.

VII.C. Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding with DCWEA

Motion Passed: Motion to ratify and approve the agreement signed by the Negotiation Committee on behalf of the BOE with the DCWEA providing that the informal meeting between the Negotiations Committee and the DCWEA representative on December 10, 2014, constituted the presentation of evidence by the DCWEA with on the grievance appeal regarding the continuing contract of Allison Nields abrogating the collective bargaining agreement between the School District and

DCWEA, a copy of the Agreement is attached to this Motion and is incorporated herein by this reference and Motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Board of Education and the DCWEA to resolve the grievance appeal of the DCWEA (attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference), regarding the continuing contract of Allison Nields abrogating the collective bargaining agreement between the School District and DCWEA and the description of the DCWEA bargain unit membership for the 2015-2016 contract year, a copy of the MOU is attached to this Motion and is incorporated herein by this reference passed with a motion by Kelly Hinrichs and a second by Jeff Clauson.

Jeff Clauson Yes
Kelly Hinrichs Yes
Luke Janke Yes
Pat McCarville Yes
Sue McKie Yes
John Walvoord Yes

VIII. Executive Session

Rationale:

The Board may enter into closed session at any time to discuss any matter for which a closed session is lawful and appropriate.

We have negotiations matters that may need to be handled in closed session along with the Superintendent's evaluation.

Before the Board can enter closed session, a motion must be made in agreement with Statute 84-1410 by the Board to discuss topics such as personnel, negotiations, and legal matters.

Motion Passed: Motion to enter in Executive Session at 8:31 pm passed with a motion by Jeff Clauson and a second by Sue McKie.

Jeff Clauson Yes
Kelly Hinrichs Yes
Luke Janke Yes
Pat McCarville Yes
Sue McKie Yes
John Walvoord Yes

VIII.A. Reconvene to Regular Session

Motion Passed: Motion to reconvene to regular session at 10:05 pm passed with a motion by Sue McKie and a second by Jeff Clauson.

Jeff Clauson Yes
Kelly Hinrichs Yes
Luke Janke Yes
Pat McCarville Yes
Sue McKie Yes
John Walvoord Yes

IX. Adjournment

Motion Passed: Motion to adjourn meeting at 10:06 pm passed with a motion by Sue McKie and a second by Jeff Clauson.

Jeff Clauson Yes
Kelly Hinrichs Yes
Luke Janke Yes
Pat McCarville Yes

Sue McKie John Walvoord	Yes Yes
Secretary	
Superintendent	